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# HISTORY OF LEHIGH COUNTY

## PENNSYLVANIA

AND A GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL RECORD OF ITS  
FAMILIES

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## GENEALOGICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL

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### ACKER FAMILY.

Philip Jacob Acker, the ancestor of this family, was born in 1696 in Germany and landed at Philadelphia on September 25, 1732, on the ship "Loyal Judith," with his brother Henry Acker. He was then thirty-six years of age. He settled in the district, which at that time was called Macungie in Bucks county, now Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county, about six miles west of Allentown, on what is now the Koch farm, on the south side of the public road leading from Allentown to Fogelsville, located several miles east of Fogelsville and probably one mile east of Chapman's Station on the Catasauqua and Fogelsville Railroad.

Philip Jacob Acker was naturalized at the session of the Supreme Court in Philadelphia on September 27, 1743, and in 1745 he was one of the organizers of the Ziegel Church, located in Weisenburg township. On March 30-31, 1757, David Schultze surveyed land for Philip Jacob Acker in Macungie, as also for Dewald Koontz, Christian Heisler, Adam Fisher and Conrad Pien (See Perkiomen Region Vol. 3, Page 91). On January 11, 1759, Philip Jacob Acker was granted land adjoining his other land and that of Christian Heisler in Macungie township. In 1762 he was assessed £10 in Macungie township.

Philip Jacob Acker and his wife Anna Maria had one son, Jacob Acker, who was born July 25, 1736.

On March 24, 1786, Jacob Acker purchased by assignment from William Green, of Reading, Berks county, for the sum of £120 in gold and silver money, 170 acres of land in Weisenburg township, Lehigh county, formerly owned by George Wise, of Germantown. This land is located five or six miles from the original Acker farm in Macungie township, and about six miles northeast of the Ziegel church. It is said the reason of the further removal from the fertile soil of Macungie to the hills of Weisenburg was the lack of water in the former lands, which was abundant, and still is abundant, in Weisenburg. The Acker farm in Weisenburg remained in the family until about 1870, when it was sold to a Mr. Grim. It is now owned by Mr. Grim's son.

In 1781 Jacob Acker was assessed for the old

property in Macungie, but in the next published assessment in 1812 no Acker property was assessed in Macungie, but in that same year Daniel, Michael and George Acker were assessed in Weisenburg. These three individuals were sons of Jacob Acker, who had purchased the Weisenburg property in 1786 and who at this time was seventy-six years of age, and, no doubt, had transferred his property to his sons.

Jacob Acker's name is recorded as a Private in Captain Trexler's Company under command of Col. George Breinig of the Northampton Militia, May 14, 1788. (Page 111, Vol. 8, 5th Series of Pennsylvania Archives.) The names of Christian Acker and Jacob Acker, Junior, also appear in this muster roll. Jacob Acker, as well as his father, Philip Jacob Acker, was buried at Ziegel church. The tombstone of Jacob Acker, a slate slab, contains the following inscription: "Here rests in God, Jacob Acker, who was born July 25, 1736, had lived in the matrimonial state with Eberhartine Heisler for 47 years, to whom nine children were born, eight sons and one daughter." The rest of the inscription was defaced.

Eberhartine Acker survived her husband and lived to an old age in the small house on the old Acker farm in Weisenburg. Jacob Acker married Eberhartine Heisler, daughter of Christian Heisler and his wife Eva Elizabeth. They had these children: Christian, born December 25, 1755; Philip Jacob, born August 30, 1757; John Leonhart, born September 22, 1752; George Henry, born December 10, 1761; Daniel; Michael, born December 25, 1766; John, and two daughters.

Christian Acker was a soldier in the Continental Army. He and his wife Elizabeth had a son George Henry, born November 15, 1782.

Philip Jacob Acker is said to have lost his life in the service of the Continental Army. George Acker was at one time a member of the State Legislature of Pennsylvania. His descendants settled in Longswamp, Berks county.

Daniel Acker married May 21, 1793, Margaretha Schmidt. He owned the old Weisenburg farm. One of his sons, Joseph D., lived in West Chester, Pa. The other of his sons, George Acker, had a large farm, part of which was included in the limits of Allentown. He married

Elizabeth, widow of Daniel Knauss, *nee* Frey, daughter of John Frey. She was born Oct. 28, 1795, and died March 9, 1855. They had five children: Abbie, who married a Mr. Foley; Reuben; George, a Civil War soldier, who died unmarried; Mary, married to Phaon Haas; and Sarah, married to Levi Kuhns.

Reuben Acker, the eldest son of George and Elizabeth (Frey) Acker, was born in Allentown, in 1825. He spent his youth upon his father's farm and his early education was limited to the opportunities of a farmer's boy in the common schools. During the entire period of his active life he was a hard worker at whatever his hands found to do. Mr. Acker, in 1847, at the age of twenty-two years, left home to seek his fortune, with a capital of one dollar and fifty cents. He went to New York City, from thence to Ohio, working at various employments, but always managing to save some of his earnings. In 1852 he, with others, set out with an ox team for California, and in just six months they reached their goal. Mr. Acker found work in Alameda county on a farm at eighty-five dollars per month "and found." He remained five years and with his savings embarked in business for himself. His first year's profit was \$2,400; that of the second year about the same. He then engaged in buying and selling cattle, and continued in this business for upwards of eight years, meeting with fair success. In 1864 Mr. Acker returned to Allentown and purchased his parents' old homestead of one hundred and twenty-six acres, near Allentown, where he settled in 1865. In vain did he offer to give one-half his land to any person who would erect for him suitable buildings on the remaining half of the tract. This proved to be a blessing in disguise, as the growth of the city of Allentown extended to his property and its lands became populous and valuable, from all of which he derived a substantial benefit. He watched this growth and contributed his full share in promoting the interests of Allentown. After retiring from active farm work, he resided at 1125 Turner street, Allentown, giving considerable attention to real estate. In Sept. 1905, in company with his son-in-law, H. W. Haines, he went to the Pacific coast to visit the places in which he had formerly made his home. While on this visit he died, Oct. 5, 1905, and his remains were brought to Allentown and interred in Union cemetery. In politics he was a Democrat, always taking an interest in the city's political welfare and its institutions. He was a consistent member of the Lutheran Church. Reuben Acker married, in California, Sarah Andrews, born Jan. 17, 1838, died Aug. 19, 1896, and who was interred in Union cemetery by the side of her husband.

Their children were: Joseph John, born June 7, 1868, died Nov. 12, 1885; Ida, born Dec. 16, 1869, died Feb. 15, 1880; Sarah E., born May 15, 1871, married Oscar D. Knauss; Agnes, born Jan. 9, 1873, baptized Oct. 2, 1873, married Harvey W. Haines. Issue: Ruth A., born March 15, 1895, who married, June 18, 1913, Claude U. Keck, of Allentown, and Helen Agnes Haines, born Dec. 3, 1903. Mrs. Agnes Haines has her home at 1613 Chew street, Allentown; Martha D., born Oct. 1, 1875, married Edward W. Lewis. Issue: Reuben, May, George and John Lewis.

A daughter of Jacob Acker married Michael Reichert and both are buried in Milton, Pa. Their descendants are: Rev. George W. Richards, D.D., of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster, and his son, Joseph W. Richards; Mary Louisa, wife of Dr. James S. Smith, of Allentown, and Cora D. Richards, who was a school teacher, married in 1914, Mr. C. J. Burger, of Allentown.

Another child of Jacob Acker, probably a daughter, was born August 3, 1771.

Michael Acker, youngest son of Jacob Acker, was born December 5, 1766. The sponsors were Christian Acker and Anna Maria, daughter of Adam Heberly, both single. He was born in Macungie and died at the age of 44 years. He married Maria Klein, daughter of Peter Klein, of Weisenberg and his wife, Margaret Stettler. They had six children, four sons and two daughters, namely:

Jonathan, the oldest son, married Sallie Schaeffer and died at the age of 62 years. They had a number of children, all of whom are now dead.

Elizabeth Acker, born September 6, 1790, married John Dennis. They lived in Snyder county, Pa. Mrs. Dennis died at the advanced age of over 88 years.

Jacob Acker lived and died in Upper Macungie. He married a Miss Feldhof. They had sons and daughters. Among them were: Jacob, of Allentown; and Caroline, who married a Mr. Kuhns, of Atchison.

Henry Acker married Sallie Hartman. They settled in Ohio, about twelve miles west of Akron. He died at the age of 84 years and had sons and daughters.

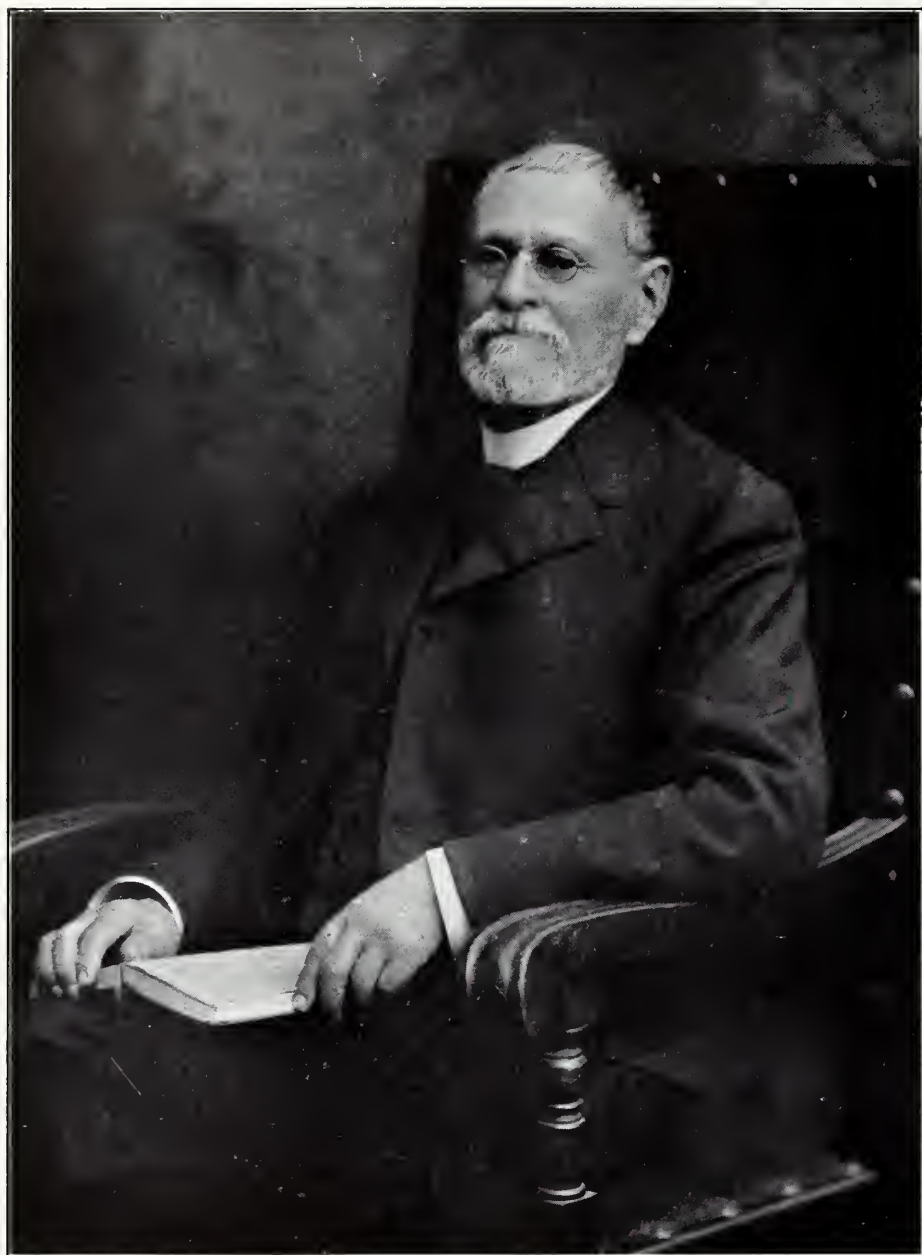
Polly married Jacob Reinbold. He died at the age of 97 years, and she died at the age of 78 years. They moved on the south side of South Mountain, near Emaus. They had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married Solomon Reinbold and had sons and daughters. Mr. Reinbold died a number of years ago at the age of 58 years. Mrs. Reinbold died several years ago at an advanced age.





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REV. J. D. ACKERS.

Daniel Acker, was born in Weisenburg, April 20, 1792, and died at his home near Wescoesville, March 1, 1844, at the age of 52 years, from the result of an accident. He married, in 1818, Christiana Wuchter, a daughter of Martin Wuchter, of Heidelberg township, and had five sons and two daughters:

A daughter who died in her infancy.

Edwin, born August 29, 1821, who married Eliza Dorney, of Whitehall. They resided in Lehigh county for some years, but later removed to New York City, where he enlisted as a soldier in the Union Army in the Rebellion, and served as corporal in a New York heavy artillery regiment. After the war he lived in the State of Kansas, and died at the age of 79 years and is buried in Oswatomie, Kansas. They had sons and daughters. The oldest son, William Henry Harrison Acker, was also a soldier in the Union Army during the war with the South. He resides in East Texas, Lehigh county. Their children are one son and two daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Miller, resides near New York City. One daughter and one son reside in Eastern Kansas, not far from Kansas City.

Stephen, born September 3, 1823, died March 12, 1800, at the age of 76 years. He resided in East Texas, Lehigh county. He was a popular school teacher and a well known surveyor and also served as Alderman and Notary for a number of years. For accuracy and honesty in business transactions he was highly esteemed. He was a faithful member of the Evangelical Association from his early years until his death. He married Helen Schumaker and had three sons and one daughter: Cyrus, of East Texas; Elmer, who married a Miss Sting, of Philadelphia, and had one daughter, Edna. They reside in Pen Argyl, Pa.; Curtis, of Bethlehem, who married a Miss Miller, who died several years ago. They had one son, Ira, who is married and resides in Bethlehem, and two daughters, Lydia H., who resides with her grand-uncle, Rev. James D. Acker, in Philadelphia, and Ada, who resides with her aunt, Sadie H. Acker, in East Texas. Sadie, only daughter of Stephen Acker, resides at East Texas.

Alvin Acker was born March 26, 1826, and died in Bellevue, Kan., June 23, 1904, at the age of 78 years. In 1848, in company with John Joseph Woodring, he walked from Lehigh county, Pa., to Seneca county, Ohio, and settled near Flat Rock, where he married Miss Sarah Casebier. They had two sons: Charles Fremont and James H. The mother died when the boys were quite young. He was married a second time to Miranda Engel. He followed the carpenter trade and farming. In 1869 they moved to

Donophan county, Kas., purchasing a quarter section of the wild prairie land and by their industry and thrift procured a section of 640 acres of the best soil west of the Missouri. He is buried a short distance from their home in the Bellevue cemetery. His two sons reside close to the old homestead and are both farmers.

Mary Ann Acker was born October 22, 1828.

She married John Joseph Woodring, who died in 1908. Mrs. Woodring died in October, 1912. They had seven children: Wilson J., of Allentown, who married Catharine Kern, and has two children; Rev. James D., formerly president of Albright College at Myerstown, who died in 1909; Ella, of Allentown; Morrison J., of Philadelphia; Celesta, married William McCauley; Walter L., of Allentown, and Rev. Edwin S. Woodring, pastor of Seibert United Evangelical church, Allentown.

REV. JAMES DANIEL ACKER, one of the best known Evangelical ministers of Pennsylvania, was born Dec. 14, 1830, in Lower Macungie township, one mile west of the little town of East Texas, on the banks of the Little Lehigh river. He was thirteen years of age when his father died and he afterwards lived with farmers. On Sept. 24, 1850, he came to Philadelphia. There were no railroads then from Allentown, but they had daily stage communication. He started at seven o'clock in the morning and arrived at Philadelphia at four o'clock in the afternoon. In his own words he stated: "I had only a few dollars in my possession when I came to the city, depending on finding employment, in which I was not disappointed. I also brought a certificate of church membership which I prized above the few dollars cash in my possession. In a few days I found a church home, and attended weekday evening prayer-meetings. Before the first Sabbath, I had found a young lady in the prayer-meeting, namely, Miss Emeline Kinsley, of Philadelphia, and on December 23, 1852, we started to "travel together" and we still travel side by side on the same road. In 1864 I became a commercial traveler, extending my trips westward to Omaha, Neb., northwest to Minneapolis, Minn., and southward to Memphis, Tenn. I was then young and vigorous, I am now 84 years old and great changes have taken place. Later in years I entered the ministry and at this writing I am still active in the work." Upon his arrival in Philadelphia in 1850 Mr. Acker united with the first church of the Evangelical Association in that city. Later he became one of the prime movers in the establishment of an English mission of that denomination on Darien street, popularly known as "Little Heaven." Later this congregation built a fine church on Eighth street, near Girard avenue.



For years Mr. Acker felt the call to the ministry, to which call he finally yielded and was ordained by the church of his choice. He served a number of important charges in the Evangelical Association and later in the United Evangelical Church, including appointments in Germantown and Philadelphia.

Although no longer serving a church in the active ministry, his services are still in demand and nearly every Sunday finds him actively engaged in preaching the Gospel.

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Acker had the following children:

Emma Laura Acker, born October 26, 1853, married Cornelius S. Klein, who has been in the employ of the Finley Acker Company from the earliest days of its organization. They reside in Germantown and had three daughters: Edith S., married Arthur Kingman, of Newark, N. J.; Mary E., married William Rutter Jenks, of Germantown, and Laura, who died in infancy.

Durbin Stephen Acker, born December 25, 1854. He married Mary Radey, who died in 1912. He is an officer and member of the Finley Acker Company, resides in Philadelphia, and has three children. The eldest, John Henry Rader Acker, is a member of the law firm of Conlen, Brinton and Acker. He married Miss Crozer and has one child. The second, James Durbin Acker, of West Philadelphia, holds a position in the Finley Acker Company. He married Retta Smith. Helen Radey Acker, the youngest, married Samuel Woolford, an attorney of Philadelphia, and has one child.

FINLEY ACKER was born Nov. 8, 1857, in Lower Macungie township, Lehigh county. His early education was obtained in the public schools, supplemented by night school and business college training. He made his first step in the business world as a cash boy in the employ of Curwen, Stoddard & Co. After promotion to clerk, salesman and assistant buyer, at the age of twenty-one he opened a retail tea and coffee store on Eighth street, above Arch, in Philadelphia, which, with the co-operation of his brothers, he developed in a manner so different from conventional grocery methods as to attract the attention of the trade. His success in this business led him to extend the business to other mercantile lines. He later opened stores at Twelfth and Chestnut streets and Twelfth and Market streets, Philadelphia, and one in New York City. Because of his activities in the interest of pure food, he became treasurer of the first National Pure Food Show in this country, held at Washington in 1887.

He was actively concerned in the citizens' movement to require the street passenger railway com-

panies to pay a fair price for the privilege of installing the trolley system in Philadelphia, in consequence of which effort the railway companies were required to repave many streets with improved paving. When the question of protecting the interests of the public regarding the gas lease and the traction system, upon the basis of insuring the maximum benefits to the public after the payment of reasonable returns upon money actually invested, was brought forth, he stood for the interest of the people as a whole as distinguished from any favored interest. His thorough analyses of these two problems were made in a pamphlet, entitled "Eminent Respectability," and in an address, entitled "The Rights of the People and the Rights of Investors in Philadelphia Street Railways," which address was delivered before the City Club in a joint debate with George H. Earle. He was chairman of the postal committee of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and of the National Board of Trade, for a number of years. As chairman of the banking and currency committee of the Chamber of Commerce, he appeared several times before congressional committees and his arguments for postal and currency reform were quoted by speakers in all sections of the United States.

Mr. Acker was a life long Republican. He was an active member of the "Committee of Fifty," and one of the organizers of the Municipal League. He was chairman of the executive committee of Independent Republicans when Robert E. Pattison was elected Governor over George W. Delamater. He was one of the organizers of the Midland Pennsylvania Railroad Company and a member of the Union League, the City Club, Poor Richard Club, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Penna. Society of Sons of the Revolution and Penna. Society of New York. He married, in 1883, Elizabeth Boyle Cadmus. Mr. Acker died at his residence, 4943 Rubicam avenue, Germantown, on February 12, 1913.

Ellen Louisa Acker, born January 15, and died in June, 1861.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN ACKER was born Feb. 25, 1865. He was named the same hour when the martyred president, Abraham Lincoln, died. He married Emily Rebecca Focht, and has one daughter, Emily Lincoln. They reside in Tioga, Philadelphia. For a while he was a member of Mayor Weaver's cabinet, but preferred to return to his position as a member and officer of the Finley Acker Company. In 1911 he was elected to the office of sheriff of the city and County of Philadelphia on the Republican ticket, in which capacity he is serving his native city at this writing.

Harrison Benjamin, the youngest son of

Daniel Acker, was born October 9, 1838, in Salisbury, Lehigh county, three miles southwest of Allentown. He died at his home in Bellevue, Ohio, September 14, 1903, at the age of nearly 65 years. He married Eliza Amanda Hiskey of Lower Macungie township. In 1858 they moved to Flat Rock, Seneca county, Ohio. He followed the carpenter trade until the breaking of the Rebellion, when he enlisted as a soldier in the Thirty-Fourth Ohio Regiment. While in service he was stricken with typhoid-pneumonia and not expected to recover. His brother Alvin of Flat Rock, Ohio, went to the Army Hospital and nursed him, and his life was spared. The Doctor told him if he would take the best of care of himself, he might live for a few years. He followed this advice and lived forty years longer. He moved to Bellevue, Ohio, where he became highly respected by all classes. For a number of years he was treasurer of the city. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. (The compiler of these records is greatly indebted to him for much contained in these records.) They had five children:

Celesta Maria, a daughter of Harrison B. Acker, married George W. Barber. They reside in Bellevue, Ohio; their son is Ralph Acker Barber.

Clara Elmira Lavinia is another daughter of Harrison B. Acker. She married George Heter; they reside near Peabody, Kan. They have one son, Harry John, and a daughter named Georgia.

Hattie Celinda, another daughter of Harrison B. Acker, married Alexander Mittenbuhler. Their surviving children are Charles Dell Mittenbuhler and a daughter named Ruby. Both are married. They also had a son Durbin Acker Mittenbuhler, who died when quite young. They now reside in Cleveland, Ohio.

Della Amanda, another daughter of Harrison B. Acker, married Mr. Tyson, of Bellevue, Ohio. She died on September 23, 1899. Their only son is Harry Acker Tyson.

Mrs. Harrison B. Acker died at their home in Bellevue, May 11, 1902, and with her husband is buried in the Bellevue cemetery.

Christiana, wife of Daniel Acker, and daughter of Martin Wuchter, was married after the death of Mr. Acker, to John W. Woodring. They had one daughter, Ella, who married Moses Diefenderfer, of Bethlehem, Pa. They have two sons, Victor and Heeber, both married.

Jesse Acker was born in Weisenberg township, May 1, 1807, and settled at Rittersville during the 40's, where he followed the trade of a shoe maker until his death on February 23, 1880, in his 73 year. His wife, Maria Heinrich, was

born February 5, 1803, died March 30, 1880, in her 78th year. Their children follow: Cornelius; John, who lived in Hanover; Mary, wife of Joseph Honshue; Polly, wife of William Hoehle; Amelia, wife of Aaron Nicholas, and Harrison, who died young. Mr. Acker had two brothers, John and Nathan, and a sister Catharine.

Cornelius Acker, deceased, was born in Weisenberg township, November 22, 1840. When a boy he came to Hanover with his parents and was reared upon the farm. Later he was employed for seven years by Charles Ritter at Rittersville and worked in the store and farm. For more than seven years he was a bar-clerk for J. Frank Reichard and later was employed in the rolling mill in Allentown and also in the Bethlehem Steel Company. He was county commissioner for three years, tax collector for five years and was prominent as a Democratic politician. He always lived in Rittersville and died there January 8, 1906. He was an active member of the Lutheran Church and served as deacon and elder and for twenty years was its treasurer. He also served as trustee and the treasurer of the cemetery association for many years. He was a soldier in the Civil war and had three enlistments.

In 1865 he married Mary Hoehle, who resides on the homestead, which Mr. Acker built in 1894. They have these children: William A., who married (first) Cora Knoll, deceased, and (second) Lizzie Hettinger; Ellen J., who married Marcus Stehley, deceased, and second Charles G. Breisch; Emma M., died aged 23 years, and Harvey C., married to Minnie Troxell and resides at Bethlehem.

Jonas Acker was born in Weisenberg township October 9, 1829, and had a large farm near Grimville. He removed to Ruhetown, North Whitehall township, where he had a 43-acre farm. He conducted the latter farm until 1873 and then moved to Hoffmansville, where he followed the trade of a carpenter and worked in ore mines. He died at the residence of his son, George March 15, 1910, aged 80 years, 5 months and 6 days, and is buried at the Jordan Lutheran church. His wife, Sarah, *nee* Adam, was born January 26, 1828, and died June 28, 1893, aged 64 years, 11 months and 2 days. They had these children: Rosa, who died young; Alfred, who died young; Catharine, who married Samuel Dries; Oliver; Osville; William; Charles, born May 5, 1862, died May 30, 1909; and George A.

GEORGE A. ACKER, a son of Jonas and Sarah Acker, is the organist and chorister of the Jordan churches in South Whitehall township. He was



born in Weisenberg township, July 30, 1870, and attended the public school, and was reared upon the farm. In 1895 he began farming at Schnecks-ville and in 1900 he accepted his position as organist of the Jordan churches which he has served ever since. He resides at the church and operates the farm of the Lutheran congregation, consisting of 30 acres. As a Democrat he served the office of constable since 1907.

In 1897 he was married to Kate DeLong, daughter of William and Sarah (Scheirer) DeLong. Their children are: Lucian C. and Elsie M.

LEWIS A. ACKER, a member of the firm of Joseph A. Best & Co., a leading stove store at Allentown, was born in Weisenberg township, March 26, 1874. He attended the public schools and the American Commercial School, from which he was graduated in 1895. He was then employed as bookkeeper for Neff & Best, continuing in their employ until March, 1901, when he became associated with Joseph A. Best under the firm name of Joseph A. Best & Co. The business is located at 440 North Tenth street.

He was married June 16, 1901, to Mame R. Kemmerer, daughter of Irvin F. Kemmerer, of Allentown. Their children are: Ruth S. A.; Paul K., who died in his second year; Lewis D.; and Grace K. Mr. Acker and his family are members of Dubbs Memorial church in which Mr. Acker served as a deacon. The family resides at 610 North Tenth street, Allentown.

Joseph Arndt, grandfather of Lewis A. Acker, was born near Lenhartsville, Berks county. He was a shoemaker and always lived in the vicinity of Lenhartsville. He is buried at Zion's church, Windsor township. His wife was a Miss Zettelmoyer, who came from that section. Their children are: Daniel, Masilla, wife of Daniel Acker; Emma, Catharine, Wilson, Lizzie, Joseph, and Alfred.

#### WILSON A. ACKER.

Wilson Allen Acker, hotel proprietor at Hynemansville for twenty-one years, was born June 3, 1861, in Weisenberg township, where he was educated in the township school and brought up on his father's farm and he assisted his father until he was thirty-one years old. He then purchased the oldest established hotel stand in the county of Lehigh, at Hynemansville, including twenty-eight acres, and he has carried on the business together with farming operations in a successful manner until the present time. He has been recognized by the numerous patrons of the stand for his courteous entertainment.

In 1889, he was married to Alameda H.

Schmick, daughter of Henry, farmer of Lowhill township, and they have two children: Martha, m. Frederick Sechler, and Stella, m. Harvey Heffner.

His father, Allen Acker, was born and brought up on a farm in Weisenberg township, and he was engaged at farming until his decease in 1898. He was married to Mary Greenawald, a daughter of Daniel, farmer, of Wessnersville, in Greenwich township, Berks county, and they had twelve children: Franklin, m. Emma Werley; Wilson A.; Sarah, m. Edgar Woodring; Emma, m. Wilbur Stettler; Levi, m. Anna Creitz; John, m. Barbara Frey; Alvin, m. Cora Werley; and five died young.

Joseph Acker, a farmer of Weisenberg, was his grandfather. He was married to Mary Neff, and they had three children: Elizabeth, m. Henry Metzger; Anna, m. Mahlon Luther; and Allen.

#### ACKERMAN FAMILY.

Jacob Ackerman lived along Hosensack creek, near East Greenville, in Montgomery county, and there he died in 1851, aged 50 years and is buried at the Goshenhoppen church, having been a Reformed member of it. He was a farmer and owned and occupied his own farm.

He married Caroline Woodring, being her third husband. They had three children, viz.: Edmond, Henry, and Jacob.

By her first husband, a Kurtz, she had one son and a daughter.

By her second husband, a Zeller, she had an only child who died small; and by her fourth husband, a Snyder, she had no issue.

Edmond Ackerman, son of Jacob, was born in Montgomery county, in 1846. He removed to District township, Berks county, in 1868, and was a laborer, living near Landis Store, for eight years. His wife Mary S. Minner, is a daughter of Jonas Minner, who was a justice of the peace in District township for 45 successive years, dying in his 91st year of age. They had an only son, Jonas M., whose history follows. In the spring of 1906 Mrs. Ackerman settled in her own home at No. 629 Cedar street, Allentown, where her son, Jonas, tenderly supplies all her desires.

JONAS M. ACKERMAN, of Allentown, is a cement contractor, residing at 807 North Seventh street. He is a member of the firm of Schaeffer and Ackerman, and was born in District township, Berks county, Nov. 3, 1873. When he was a young man he was employed in the creamery at Landisville for five years and later he learned the plastering trade and cement work at Pottstown for three years. In 1898 he came to Al-



lentown and worked as a journeyman for two years and then he formed a partnership with J. A. Schaeffer and engaged in the cement and plaster contracting business. The firm has been very successful and employ as many as forty men. Some of the work performed by them are the concrete floor in the State Hospital, at Rittersville; also all the grating and cement paving at Clifford Park, one of the suburbs of Allentown; also all the re-inforced work of Allentown hospital, as well as the floors and roofs and all the plastering in the first buildings. The firm also built the reinforced bridge at Ruchsville, this county, and upwards of fifty houses in Allentown. Mr. Ackerman was the leader of the Landisville band while living in District township, and since the year 1900 he plays with the Pioneer band of Allentown. In politics he is a Democrat and in 1907 he was elected a member of common council from the Tenth ward, serving one term.

On April 29, 1893, he married Sarah Schneck, a daughter of James and Hettie (Sterner) Schneck, of Longswamp township, who was killed in the ore mines in the year 1877. Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman have these children: Viola; Grace; Ralph; Robert; Harvey, and Verna.

Stephen and Fietta (Griffith) Ackerman, of Upper Milford township, lived to the age of 75 and 82 years respectively, and they are buried at Scheetz's church. They had issue: Mary, Amelia, Diana, Sarah, Hannah, Amanda, Dora, Ida, Henry, Frank, John, and Percival Ackerman.

JOHN ACKERMAN, the third son of Stephen and Fietta (Griffith) Ackerman, was born December 6, 1860, and was reared on the farm and remained thirty years on the homestead, consisting of 80 acres. He was educated in the public schools and is a member and trustee of the Mennonite church in Upper Milford township. He married Kate Shelly, daughter of Levi and Mary (Bliem) Shelly, whose sketch appears elsewhere in these volumes. They had a daughter, Edna, who is married to Walter Gehman. They have a daughter, Marion Gehman.

ARTHUR W. ACKERMAN, a wholesale liquor dealer at Slatington, was born in Allentown, July 13, 1873. He received his education in the public schools of Allentown and the American Commercial School. After finishing his commercial course he worked for Keck Bros., as bookkeeper, and from 1905 to April, 1910, he was employed as clerk by the Bethlehem Liquor and Bottling Company.

In the spring of 1910 he purchased the stock and good will of Frank Medlar, at Slatington, and has conducted this business ever since. He

is a member of the Woodmen of the World at Slatington; and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. His place of business is at No. 261 Lower Main street, Slatington.

#### G. H. AGSTEN.

Gotthardt H. Agsten was born in South Bethlehem, Jan. 18, 1885. He was educated in the common schools until 13 years old, when he was employed on the farm of Edward Lambert, of Iron Hill, for 3 years. The following two years were spent at Pittsburgh where he learned the trade of pattern-making. He returned to South Bethlehem, where he was employed as carpenter foreman in the Wm. Mack factory. He removed to Hillsdale, Michigan, where he worked at his trade for three years, and returned to South Bethlehem, where he continued at his trade until the spring of 1913. He had since engaged in general farming. Previous to removing to the farm, he built a fine home on the Lehigh mountain in Salisbury township, which he sold since, living in the home he purchased with the farm. Mr. Agsten was a member of the Lutheran Church.

He was married Sept. 16, 1910, to Miss Annie Ebert, born in Phoenixville, Pa., Jan. 12, 1886. She is the daughter of Wm. J. Ebert, a native of Berlin, Germany. Mr. Agsten died in Salisbury township in 1913, aged 59 years.

Charles Agsten, his father, was a native of Saxony, Germany. He came to America in early life, and located at South Bethlehem. He died there March 30, 1913, aged 69 years. Charles Agsten served in two wars in the German army, in 1861 and 1871. He was a felt-worker by trade, and after coming to America settled in Butztown, where he worked in the mines for one year; then removed to South Bethlehem, where he worked as a moulder helper in the steel works. He lived retired for 15 years. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and in politics a Democrat.

Charles Agsten married Mary Shimer, who died in South Bethlehem in 1888. He married, second, Emma Bowman, who is still living. They had 22 children.

#### AINEY FAMILY.

The Ainey family, of Lehigh county, are descendants of William H. Ainey, of French descent, whose ancestors were Huguenots. When he came to this country he settled in Mohawk Valley, Montgomery Co., N. Y. He was married to Hannah Crawford, of Connecticut. Their son, John, was born in 1802, and was married to Catharine Kinnan, of Goshen, N. Y. William H. Ainey, son of Jacob and Catharine Ainey, was born in Susquehanna county, No-

vember 30, 1834. He received his early education in the public schools, which was supplemented by a preparatory course in Woodruff Academy. In 1853 he was graduated from Harvard University, then an institution of learning of high standing in Northern Pennsylvania. He studied law under the direction of Hon. E. B. Chase, of Montrose, Pa. In 1855 he moved to Lehigh county, where he continued his legal studies under Hon. R. E. Wright, of Allentown. He was admitted to the bar Jan. 6, 1857. In 1860 he organized the Allentown Savings Institution and was chosen its first president. In 1862 he became the owner of the *Lehigh Register* which he edited in connection with his other business duties. He was a vigorous writer and a Republican of pronounced views. In 1863-64 the Second National Bank of Allentown was organized. He was elected its first president, a position he filled up to the time of his death; a large part of the success of this institution was due to his efforts. In 1867 he organized the Lehigh Iron Co. and was chosen its first president, and continued in this office until the discontinuance of the making of pig iron. In 1872 he was elected one of the fourteen members of the Constitutional convention of 1872-73. This committee framed our present admirable constitution introducing many needed and excellent reforms, which have since been copied and adopted as part of the fundamental laws of other states. In 1879 he was one of the prime movers in the re-organization of the Coplay Iron Company of which he was elected treasurer. In the same year he, in conjunction with George Brooke and H. S. Eckert secured control of the extensive pipe works at Reading, of which company he was elected president. He owned and operated ore mines at the following places: South Whitehall, Upper and Lower Macungie, Longswamp, Maxatawny, all in Pennsylvania, and in Morrison county, N. J. He owned and operated the first local private telegraph line in Lehigh county in 1870. This line was operated between his office in the bank and the furnace at Aineyville. Mr. Ainey was a public-spirited man and through his energy a number of improvements were made and new industries located in Allentown.

He was the prime mover in having the Central Railroad of New Jersey come into Allentown and in the building of the Allentown Terminal Depot. Through his industry and assistance the following industries were established: The Iowa Barb Wire Co., which was later absorbed by the American Steel and Wire Co.; The Pioneer Silk Factory, The Palace Silk Mill, and the Allentown Spinning Company. Mr. Ainey and family were members of the Episcopalian

Church. He died on Nov. 12, 1907 at the well-known Ainey residence, corner of Fifth and Hamilton streets, where he had resided since the close of the war.

William H. Ainey was married to Anna C. Unger, who was born Nov. 18, 1843, and died on Feb. 25, 1905, aged 62 years. They had the following children: A. Caroline, married to Robert D. Ghiskey, of Philadelphia; May Hattie, married to Henry J. Foster, now of Scranton, Pa., who at one time was associated in the iron business with Mr. Ainey; Katie Irene, who was an invalid and died in June, 1914; and William H., Jr.

William H. Ainey, Jr., was born in Allentown, January 19, 1890. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown, later he attended Muhlenberg preparatory school, Muhlenberg college, and Hudson River Military Academy, located at Nyack, on the Hudson in N. Y. He became his father's private secretary in the Second National Bank, and filled this position until his father's death. He was also the treasurer of the Edgmont Building Lot Association. Since January, 1911, he is an executor of the William H. Ainey estate. He is an active member of the Y. M. C. A. and the John Hay Republican Association; an active member of the Rescue Fire Co.; an associate member of the Sons of Veterans; the Lehigh Saenger Bund and is an Episcopalian. He is married to Estella M. Fluck, a daughter of Milton S. and Lena (Wagner) Fluck.

#### CHARLES N. ALBERT.

Charles N. Albert, a retired citizen of Catasauqua, was born at Reading, Pa., in 1863, and educated in the parochial schools of that city, in Brunner's Business College, and in Dalby's Commercial School of the same place. For five years he was a stationary engineer; then he engaged in the hotel business at Reading which he continued until 1890, when he went to Catasauqua. Four years later he moved to Northampton, Pa., again four years later he moved to Siegfried, Pa., where he was in business for seventeen months. In the fall of 1900 he purchased the Columbia Hotel at Coplay and conducted it until June 1, 1907, then sold it for a large sum of money, retired, and moved into his fine residence on Second street, Catasauqua. He was successful in his business affairs. Being a popular fancier, he raised fancy and common poultry as a pastime.

In 1890 Mr. Albert was married to Frances Kunkel, a daughter of George Kunkel, late of Philadelphia. They had ten children: Charles, Florence, Edward, Theresa, Marie, Frances, Raymond, Adella, Frank and Gerard. Of these



children, Charles, Florence, Edward and Theresa are graduates of St. Mary's parochial school at Catasauqua; and seven of their children are graduates of the Palmer method of writing. Charles G., the oldest son, is employed in the Catasauqua National Bank.

George Francis Albert, the father of Charles N., is a native of Bavaria, Germany, and was born August 17, 1832. In 1858 he emigrated to Pennsylvania, located at Reading, Pa., where he worked on farms in the vicinity for some time; then he began working at blast furnaces, and about 1868 he was made foundry boss of the large establishment of Seyfert & McMannua, at Reading. He served this firm in the same position until 1890, when he went to Catasauqua to accept the position of general superintendent with the Crane Iron Company, but five years later he resigned and retired, removing to Reading. He and his wife are members of the St. Paul's Catholic church at Reading.

His wife, Eva Mintz, died in 1873 at the age of 41 years. Their children were: George (of Cleveland, Ohio); John (of Pittsburgh); Augustus (who died at Denver, Colorado, in 1912, at the age of 51 years); Charles N.; a daughter (who lives in California); Mrs. Henry Blessing (at Reading), and Mrs. John Dillinger at West Catasauqua.

#### ALBRIGHT FAMILY.

Mrs. Elizabeth Albright, born Jan. 9, 1778, died March 15, 1858, when a widow, settled in Lower Milford township, with her son, Michael Albright. She subsequently married (second) John Ruch (1777-1863), of the same township. They attended the Chestnut Hill church.

Michael H. Albright was born Jan. 19, 1811. He attended the schools of Lower Milford township, and during his youth was accustomed to farm work. He served ten years as a school director and was a justice of the peace from 1860 to 1873, a period of thirteen years. He removed to Allentown in 1873.

Michael H. Albright, married Maria Schaeffer, and had six children. William H.; Edwin Albright (deceased); Dr. Franklin P.; Mrs. Henry Moyer; Mrs. Israel Wambold, and Mrs. Henry Ackerman, of Philadelphia.

WILLIAM H. ALBRIGHT, son of Michael and Maria (Schaeffer) Albright, was born in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, in 1844. He was reared upon the farm and was educated in the schools of his township and the Keystone State Normal School. He became a well educated man, commencing his business career as a school teacher at an early age. He followed this

profession the greater portion of his active life.

In his youth he spent some years in Missouri, as a farmer, clerk, and school teacher. He then returned east, and taught for several years in his native township; then located in Allentown where he became a leading educator. During President Cleveland's administration he served as assistant postmaster of Allentown for four years. His home was at 628 Turner street, where his widow now resides. He was a great student of Bible history and had read the Bible through by course three times. He was at one time a member of the city council, a staunch Democrat and a firm believer in the principles of that party. He was a member of the Royal Arcanum, and of Salem Reformed church. He died June 8, 1904, and was interred in Union cemetery.

William Henry Albright married, July 21, 1877, in Allentown, Miss Alice J. Guth, daughter of Horace and Abigail (Seibert) Guth, of South Whitehall township. Mrs. Albright is a member of Salem Reformed church, and is active in all church work, including the missionary society and charitable work. They had two children: Raymond C. and LeRoy H. Albright. Raymond C. married Mabel Rothenberger, and has children, Alton A. and Evelyn A. M. Albright. LeRoy H., an artist, studied at the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts and is connected with Hess Brothers in the art department. He married Edith Jones, and has children, Grace Alice, Arthur, Dorothy May, and Mildred May Albright.

AMANDUS A. ALBRIGHT, senior member of the contracting and building firm trading as Amandus Albright & Son at Allentown, was born in South Whitehall township, in 1850. When sixteen years of age, he was apprenticed to the trade of carpenter, and afterward followed the business of builder and contractor for upward of twenty years. In 1902, he formed a partnership with his son, Milton A., in conducting planing mill and contract work. Of the more prominent contracts of this firm, the Lutheran churches of St. Stephen, St. Luke, and Christ, at Allentown may be mentioned; and a Lutheran church in South Allentown. They erected several hundred houses in Allentown. They are one of the largest contracting firms in the city and employ about fifty men.

In 1875 Mr. Albright married Chresura Rauch a daughter of Jonas and Polly (Kuhns) Rauch, of Crackersport, and they have eight children: Alice J., married to Victor Gackenbach; Milton A., married Mamie Becker; Mamie R., married to William Best; Victor J., married to Addie Knecht; Elmer J., married to Elsie Wentzell;

Bertha H., married to Frank Trump; Marcus R.; and Charles H. They are members of the Lutheran Church.

MILTON A. ALBRIGHT, son of Amandus, was born at Wescoesville, Lehigh county, Sept. 5, 1879. He attended the public schools until 16 years of age, then learned the carpenter trade, which he followed for six years. He removed to Allentown in 1883, and, in later years, with his father engaged in the contracting business. Since 1906 they have also conducted a planing mill. In politics he is a Republican, a member of the Lutheran Church, and belongs to Livingston Castle, K. G. E.; Jordan Council, Jr. O. U. A. M.; and the Order of Maccabees. In 1899 he was married to Mamie M. Becker, daughter of William M. and Mary J. (Schmoyer) Becker, and they have one child, Marguerite M. He resides at 1602 Chew street, Allentown.

John Albright, the father of Amandus, was born April 6, 1813, in South Whitehall township, where he conducted Albright's Hotel for a period of forty years. He owned a farm of seventy acres, which was later sold by his estate for \$9,450; and in 1910 this land was sold for \$60,000. He had previously been engaged in the mercantile business at Crackersport for four years. He was married to Lucinda Henninger, a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Sterner) Henninger. She was born Feb. 19, 1816, and died Oct. 21, 1897, aged 81 years, 8 months and 2 days. He died March 19, 1886, aged 72 years, 11 months, 13 days. They are buried in Union cemetery of Allentown. They had eleven children: John; Edwin, born in 1840 and died in 1904; Sarah; Polly; Willoughby; Anna; Amandus; Henry; Reuben; Phaon, born in 1856 and died in 1883; and Israel, all having had families excepting Edwin and Phaon. They were members of the Lutheran Church.

Jacob Albright, a prosperous farmer and for some years also a justice of the peace, resided along the Lehigh river in Whitehall township. His wife was a Frederick. They died of typhoid fever about 1820, of middle age. They had the following children: Polly, married to Samuel Lichtenwalner; Betsy, married to Aaron Guth; Annie, married to John Laubach; Jonas, moved to the West; John; and Mrs. Nathan Guth; all of whom have died.

#### G. ALEXANDER.

G. Alexander, the general superintendent of the Gallia Silk Mills, located at South Bethlehem and Coplay, Pennsylvania, was born May 7, 1869, at Paterson, New Jersey. At the age of twelve years he began to work in the silk mill and by strict application to duty and a willing-

ness to work, his advancement from one position to another followed rapidly. He became a practical man in all the departments in the silk manufacturing business; was foreman at twenty-one of the old Clifton Silk Mill at Union Hill, N. J., having charge there of 70 men; was superintendent for nine years of the Continental Silk Mill, at Phillipsburg, N. J., and since April 1, 1911, he is the general superintendent of the Gallia Silk Mills of Lehigh county.

Socially Mr. Alexander is a member of the Delaware Lodge No. 52 F. & A. M., of Phillipsburg, N. J.

On April 14, 1883, he was united in wedlock with Miss E. Maddocks, a daughter of John Maddocks, of Philadelphia. They have two sons: William H., and G. Alexander, Jr. The oldest son is a member of the sophomore class at Lehigh University and G. Alexander is a student at the Bethlehem Preparatory School.

William Alexander, the father of G. Alexander, was a practical silk man for many years. He now lives retired at Paterson, New Jersey.

#### JOHN ALLEN.

John Allen, of Allentown, is the son of Charles Allen and Nancy Hazlett. Charles Allen was born in 1822 in County Derry, Ireland, and came to America in 1842. He was employed at Summit Hill, Carbon county, as a coal miner and in 1851 went to Hokendauqua as a foreman for the Crane Iron Company and later was a contractor, excavating iron ore for the company. He resided at Hokendauqua and later at Catasauqua. In 1855 he went to California, where he prospected for gold and owned a mining claim. He returned to Allentown in 1863 and enlisted in Co. A, Seventh Connecticut Volunteers. He became a corporal and was wounded at Pittsburg Landing and taken prisoner. He was confined in Libby prison and later paroled. Gangrene having set in in his leg he went to New York State Hospital and recovered. He then returned to his company and served until mustered out. After the war he was employed in iron ore mining and also built the Lock Ridge Furnace for the Thomas Iron Company at Alburdis. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church. He died in 1875 and was buried at Lehigh church. He had three children: John; Samuel, foreman of the blacksmith shop of the Philadelphia Traction Company; and Jane, deceased, who married Edward Boyle, of Allentown, and had eight children.

John Allen was born Aug. 22, 1852, at Guth's Station and was educated in the common schools of Catasauqua. He served an apprenticeship of three years as a blacksmith with Butz, Frederick & Co., and was then a boilermaker for Cole &



Heilman for fifteen years. He then became a boiler inspector for the Hartford Boiler Insurance Company, which position he still fills to the satisfaction both of the company and business men. His territory covers eastern Pennsylvania, in which he inspects 1,000 boilers. He has been one of the foremost men in the upbuilding and improvement of the Tenth ward, in which he has built nearly 100 houses and from which he served as a common councilman from 1903 to 1905. While a member of council he succeeded in having the Tilghman street bridge erected, which project had been started 24 years before. Mr. Allen is a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Masonic Veterans Association; Sons of Veterans; and the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Republican. He married, April 18, 1875, Ella Amanda, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Ramer) Schuman and had five children, two of whom are deceased. His three living children are: Mary G., supervisor of the primary schools of the city; Martha C., wife of Charles M. Walters, auditor of the L. V. Traction Co.; and Leslie, a student in hydraulic engineering at Lehigh University.

#### HENRY WILLARD ALLISON.

James Willetts Allison, father of Henry Willard Allison, was born in the State of Pennsylvania, in the Valley of the Susquehanna, attended the common schools of that day, and after his marriage to Mary McLellan Boal, removed to Catlettsburg, Kentucky, where he conducted a general store, and subsequently removed to the heart of the iron operations of southern Ohio, locating at Ironton, where he spent the remainder of his days. He and his wife were the parents of eight children.

Henry Willard Allison was born in Catlettsburg, Kentucky, July 8, 1846, died in Allentown, Oct. 12, 1913. He attended the schools of that village, and when sixteen years of age became an employee of Linton & Keans, iron manufacturers, and later was an employee of the Norton Iron Works, at Ashland, Kentucky. In 1868 he entered the employ of Pardee, Brother & Company, of Hazleton, and went to that state to assume control of coal mining operations for the firm at Lattimer, remaining there seven years, and in 1875 was transferred to Allentown to assume control of the business of the Allentown Rolling Mills, then a Pardee iron interest. He was the secretary, treasurer and general manager of the company, a position he retained up to his death. He was a director of the Second National Bank; president of the Board of Trade, serving from its organization in 1891 and for a number of

years thereafter; director of the old Rapid Transit Railway from the time of its organization until its absorption by the Lehigh Valley Traction Company in the early nineties. In the spring of 1888 his name was placed on the Republican ticket for the office of mayor of Allentown, and he was elected to that high position, serving for two years, although elected for four, a new municipal bill having been passed in 1889, affecting Allentown and shortening the term of office. In 1893 he was again elected to the same office and served his full term, and in 1899 was nominated for a third term, but was defeated by Hon. James L. Schaadt. By virtue of the record of his father, who was an officer in an Ohio regiment during the Civil War, he was a member of the Loyal Legion and the Sons of Veterans. He was a member of Barger Lodge, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter; Allen Commandry; Knights of the Golden Eagle; Lehigh County Agricultural Society, Livingston Club, which he was active in organizing, and of which he was the first president; Young Men's Temperance Society, which he was also active in organizing; and was a director of the Fairview Cemetery Association; director of the Allentown Hospital, at Allentown; and the St. Luke's Hospital, at Bethlehem. Mr. Allison married, in 1879, Clara Unger, of Allentown, her father, L. P. Unger, being the celebrated portrait painter. They were the parents of five children, four daughters and a son, three of whom survive, namely: Mary Pardee, Jean, Marjorie, all of Allentown. The surviving brother and sisters of Mr. Allison are: General James N. Allison, retired from the United States Army, now editor of the *Service Journal* and stationed at Governor's Island, New York; Mrs. J. P. Young, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. F. J. Norton, of New York City; Miss Stella Allison, of Allentown.

#### ANDREAS FAMILY.

Martin Andreas emigrated from Alsace, on the Rhine, and landed at Philadelphia, Oct. 7, 1749, coming to America on the ship "*Leslie*." He settled in Heidelberg township (now Lehigh county) Pa. He served in the American Revolutionary army, as a teamster. He was married and had children as follows: Abraham, Peter, Jacob, William, Martin, and Salome.

Nathan Andres, grandson of Martin, was born Sept. 17, 1823, in Macungie township. He was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools. He was a life-long farmer in his native township. He died May 24, 1904, and was buried at the Western Salisbury church. He married Sarah A. Schantz (1827-1906). Among their children were: N. Peter, and Rev. W. J.

Andres, who was born in 1849; he was educated in the public schools and the Keystone State Normal school. He was principal of the Weaversville Academy for several years.

After the completion of his education he entered the ministry of the Reformed church and served pastorates at Moorestown and Bath, Pa. He married Annie E. Mory, daughter of John Mory, of Bath, Pa. No issue. He died in 1907 and interment was at Bath.

N. PETER ANDRES, son of Nathan, was born in February, 1853, in Macungie township. He was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools up to the age of 18 years. He remained with his father until 1878, when he engaged in the hotel business in Upper Macungie, and conducted Haines' Hotel for three years, then engaged in farming on 119 acres of fertile land, upon which he has been successful. He and family are members of the Western Salisbury Lutheran church which he served as a deacon and elder. He has always been an active and earnest church worker. In politics he is a Democrat and has served as tax collector.

He married Agnes Flexer, daughter of James and Mary (Haines) Flexer. Issue: (1) Macie, married Robert Wescoe, Allentown. Issue: Paul and Catharine Wescoe.

(2) Helen Viola was educated in the public schools and the Allentown College for Women, also the Allentown Business College. She became Sunday school secretary, teacher and organist of the Western Salisbury church, and is prominent in church work. She married Joseph Wehr.

(3) Louise Agnes was educated in the township and Allentown public schools; received instruction in fine needle-work, which she pursues at home.

(4) Isabelle May Andres, at home.

#### ANDREWS FAMILY.

Early in the nineteenth century there were five families by the name of Andrews who lived along the Lehigh river about one mile below Slatington. Among them was Daniel Andrews, who was a cooper, and at the same time conducted a farm. He was married to a daughter of Michael Best with whom he had the following children: Daniel, Nicholas, Elias, Stephen, Maricha, wife of Samuel Hankee, Philip and Lydia, wife of Stephen Schaeffer.

Nicholas Andrews, a son of Daniel Andrews, was born in 1818 on the old homestead south of Slatington and died November 20, 1887. He was a blacksmith and followed this trade where he lived and at Cherryville. He owned the old homestead in partnership with his brother

Elias. He and his family were members of the Frieden's Church. He was married to Eliza Schneck with whom he had the following children: Eli, Lewis, Benjamin, Jane, Amanda, wife of Emmanuel Kern, and Adeline, wife of Henry Bentz.

Eli Andrews, of Slatington, a son of Nicholas Andrews was born on the old homestead south of Slatington, January 21, 1842. He learned the shoemaker trade when twenty years of age and followed it for seven years. On August 8, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, 128th Regiment Pennsylvania Vol. Infantry under Captain Peter C. Huber. He served nine months and was in the battle of Antietam and Chancellorsville, being taken prisoner in the latter battle. He was incarcerated in Libby prison at Richmond for sixteen weeks. Returning to Slatington he worked in the quarries for some time. He was also policeman for the borough for three years. He is a member of the G. A. R., Post No. 284, at Slatington, having filled the office of Junior and Senior Commander. On July 19, 1864, he was married to Amanda Sourwine, a daughter of David and Elizabeth (Newhard) Sourwine. They had four children as follows: James P., Postmaster at Walnutport, Pa.; Lillie, wife of Tilghman Eckert, of Walnutport; Mary, wife of John Wassam, Jr.; William D., of Slatington.

Elias Andrews, son of Daniel Andrews, had the following children: Amanda P., Wilson F., mentioned later; Alfred J., Alice J., Francis E., Calvin H., and a daughter married to J. T. Schlosser.

Wilson F. Andrews, who was a prominent business man of Slatington, Pa., was the second among five children of Elias and Mary (Kuntz) Andrews. He was born about two miles south of Slatington on January 31, 1852, and grew up in an environment which played an important part in shaping of his future career pertaining to building and mechanical pursuits.

His father was an all around man, running a farm, a saw-mill, a cider press in season, blacksmith shop and carpenter shop besides being a natural adept at woodwork, which traits the sons inherited to a large degree. Being frail of physique, and not wishing to engage in any of the strenuous pursuits of his father, he decided to learn the general merchandise business and after holding various positions in grocery stores in Slatington and Allentown, he left home with the funds he had saved out of his earnings, for the Williamsport Commercial College where he took a course in business. Completing his course he returned home and with his brother Amandas P. formed a partnership and engaged in the gen-



eral store business at Walnutport, erecting their own building. Upon the death of his wife which occurred in 1889, he sold out his interest to his younger brother, A. J. Andrews, and a year later purchased the stock of S. DeLong in the Alex. Weaver building, at Slatington, later erecting his own large store building, and which business he successfully conducted up to 1904 when he sold his entire stock to J. M. Nicklas, of New York City, and retired from active business. He served one year as a member of the Slatington School Board. He was a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., also a member of Frieden's Reformed Congregation, up to the time of his death on February 10, 1909. Surviving him are the widow, Ida V. (Saeger) his second wife, one son, Walter H., one daughter, Bertha J., from the first marriage, and two daughters, Clara and Arlene, from the second union.

WALTER H. ANDREWS, of Slatington, was born in Walnutport, Pa., February 13, 1880. He received the major part of his public school education in Slatington, graduating as salutatorian of his class in 1898. Following this he took a course in business training at the Peirce School at Philadelphia, graduating in 1899. After leaving school he was employed in his father's wall paper and stationery store and six months later entered the employ of the Slatington Rolling Mill Co. under the management of the well known iron master, W. P. Hopkins. In 1907 he was elected Secretary as well as a director of the corporation, which position he held until Spring 1911, when the company went into voluntary liquidation. A new company having been formed and incorporated largely through the efforts of Mr. Edwin German, of Slatington, the right title and interest was purchased, and Walter H. Andrews was elected Secretary and Treasurer of this new corporation known as the Slatington Rolling Mills. He was married in 1903 to Emma L. Kramer, a daughter of Wesley and Mary (Mushlitz) Kramer. The following children are born to this union: Earl W., Marian K., and Helen I.

#### ANEWALT FAMILY.

Valentine Anewalt was born Jan. 12, 1732, and emigrated to America on the ship "Snow Squirrel," which arrived at Philadelphia, Oct. 21, 1761. He settled in Allen township, Northampton county, where he purchased from Thomas Boyd on July 1, 1778, for £670, a tract of 103 acres and 36 perches of land, a part of the 6,000-acre "Indian tract," and on Nov. 27, 1784, purchased from Frederick Beck, a tract of 20 acres and 10 perches for £100 specie. He was a farmer and weaver and in 1785 was taxed 13 s. 6 d. on

120 acres of land, two horses and two head of cattle. He served as a private in the Revolutionary War under Col. John Siegfried. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Kreidersville church, where he is buried. He died Feb. 8, 1802, aged 70 years. He married, in 1753, Johanna Margret Kurtz, who was born Nov. 13, 1733, and died July 31, 1793. His second wife, Anna Barbara, was born May 14, 1743, and died Aug. 4, 1828. She had no children. Valentine Anewalt's will, dated Nov. 22, 1801, mentions nine children, as follows: Catharine, who married Henry Gerster, and removed to Franklin county; Margaret, who married a Mr. Jones; John, born in 1764, who settled in Somerset county, where he became a brewer; Susanna, born about 1767; Jacob, born Feb. 6, 1769; Christina, born Oct. 19, 1770, who married Jacob Stapp; Peter, born Nov. 12, 1772; George, who in 1802, resided in Towamensing township; Conrad, born Feb. 14, 1778.

Peter Anewalt, third son of Valentine, was born Nov. 22, 1772, and died July 20, 1825. He was a farmer and weaver and owned 150 acres of land in Allen township and 145 acres in Lehigh township. He married Anna Barbara Waltman, who was born June 5, 1778, and died Aug. 4, 1853. They had four children: Peter, born April 7, 1797; Elizabeth, born March 19, 1799, married John Miller; Catharine, born Dec. 24, 1802, married George Hower; Lydia.

Peter Anewalt, son of Peter, was born April 7, 1797, in Allen township, and died March 3, 1841. He married Elizabeth Bliem, who was born May 3, 1800, and died Oct. 11, 1856. He was a farmer and weaver in Allen township, and had seven children: Stephen, deceased, late of Bethlehem; Elizabeth, married to Stephen Kleppinger; Lucy, married to Henry Scholl, of Bath; John C., of Allentown; George, of Bethlehem; Samuel B., of Allentown; William, who died at Bath in 1862, aged about 28 years.

John C. Anewalt, eldest son of Peter, was born in Allen township, March 22, 1830. He received a common school education and after clerking in stores at Petersville and Bath, opened a store at Siegfried with his brother-in-law, Stephen Kleppinger. He removed to Allentown in 1861 and became a salesman for Messrs. Keck & Anewalt, hat dealers, and after Mr. Keck's death, became a partner in the firm of Anewalt & Brother. He retired from the firm in 1881, when he and his son, Lewis L., conducted the retail business, S. B. Anewalt taking the wholesale business. In 1884, he retired from active business. Mr. Anewalt was connected with the legislative end of the city government for many years, first as a member of the common council from

1886 to 1889, then as a select member from 1889 to 1895. In appreciation of his valued services to the city, finely engraved resolutions were presented to him upon his retirement from office. His associates in the latter body presented him an ebony gavel, trimmed with gold, as a token of appreciation of his fair and impartial administration as their presiding officer for a period of four years. He was one of the organizers and owners of West End cemetery, and was a member of St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran church. He died at his residence at Eighth and Chew streets on Aug. 27, 1896. Mr. Anewalt married, Nov. 8, 1853, Miss Henrietta Goetz, who was born in Hanover township Nov. 20, 1832, and died Sept. 30, 1880. He married, second, Mrs. Esther Bleam, nee Fehler. Mr. Anewalt had five children: Wilmer W.; Lewis L.; Harry P.; Elenora E., deceased, married Arthur L. Cooper; and Alice A., wife of Rev. Morris F. Good.

WILMER W. ANEWALT, eldest son of John C., was born at Catasauqua, Feb. 16, 1857. He was educated in the public and high schools of Allentown and as a young man became a clerk in the hat store of Anewalt & Brother. In 1891 he formed a partnership in the hat business with his brother, Lewis L., and continued in this business until his death on June 3, 1899, which was caused by injuries sustained in a trolley car accident while on his way home from business. Mr. Anewalt was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and in politics a Republican. He married, March 8, 1877, Lorraine, daughter of Abraham and Esther (Kemmerer) Worman, of Allentown. They had two sons, Charles L., and John A., who conduct a hat store at 615 Hamilton street under the firm name of Anewalt Brothers.

LEWIS L. ANEWALT, second son of John C., was born in Allentown, Oct. 7, 1861. He received his education in the schools of the city and entered his father's store as a young man, where he remained until he formed a partnership with his brother in 1891. After his brother's death, he opened a hat store at 617 Hamilton street, where he conducts a wholesale and retail business as Lewis L. Anewalt Company. Mr. Anewalt is an active member of St. John's Reformed church; a director of the Citizen's Deposit and Trust Company; a member of the Chamber of Commerce; a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., Caldwell Consistory; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; and of the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution. He married, Nov. 2, 1884, Irene A. E., daughter of Wm. C. and Amelia C. (Fogel) Lichtenwalner. They have two sons,

Harold F., and Paul F., who are associated with their father in the hat and fur business.

SAMUEL B. ANEWALT, son of Peter Anewalt and his wife Elizabeth Bliem, has been for more than half a century a resident of Allentown, the greater part of which time he was engaged in business as a dealer in hats. He was born in Allen township, Northampton county, March 20, 1835, and attended the local schools until the age of fourteen, when he learned the trade of a painter, at which he spent two years. He then became a clerk in a store at Siegfrieds, where he remained five years and in 1857 came to Allentown and entered the employ of Coleman Keck, with whom he continued until the Civil War, when he enlisted June 19, 1863, in Co. H, Twenty-seventh Regiment, Emergency Troops, under Capt. Isaac N. Gregory, in which company he held the rank of corporal. The company went to Columbia and crossed the bridge over the Susquehanna to Wrightsville. Upon the attack of the Confederates on the town last named, they retreated with the regiment and burned the bridge behind them. They were shelled by General Ewell. The regiment later moved to Carlisle, then to Waynesboro, Boonsboro, Hagerstown, Greencastle, Mercersburg, and Chambersburg.

After his return Mr. Anewalt entered the hat business, forming a partnership with his brother, John C., under the firm name of Anewalt & Brother, which continued until 1896, when John C. died, and Mr. Anewalt continued the business, taking in his sons as partners, under the firm name of S. B. Anewalt & Company, until he retired from active business in 1908. Since that time the business has been conducted by his sons, William H. and Samuel, Jr. The present store building at Eighth and Hamilton streets was erected in 1869 and the firm is one of the oldest in the city.

Mr. Anewalt is noted for his high standard of citizenship and has taken a deep interest in Allentown (the city of his adoption), its people and its institutions. He is public spirited, enterprising and progressive. He was one of the organizers of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company and has been a stockholder and director ever since, serving as vice-president for twenty-three years and as president from 1899 to 1902. He is a staunch Republican, having voted the Whig ticket in 1856 and cast a Republican vote at each election since then. He has served as school director in Allentown for eight years and for a period served as president of the school board. He and family are members of St. John's Lutheran church and reside at Sixth and Chew streets.

Mr. Anewalt married, June 7, 1864, Caroline Keck, daughter of Solomon Keck and his wife,



Anna, nee Saeger. They had seven children, namely: Annie, married Dr. Howard S. Seip; Kate R., married Edward M. Young; William H., who married Mary E. Everett; Mary, deceased, was married to Dr. George Lazarus, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Emma, married Edward Gomery, of Philadelphia; Samuel B., Jr., married Jessie Balliet; and Edward F., who married Florence Rhoads, and is engaged in the gent's furnishing business at Reading, Pa.

#### APPEL FAMILY.

John Appel, son of Paul, was a farmer in Upper Saucon township, and also conducted Appel's hotel, near Mountainville. He was born in Saucon and died in 1859, aged 55 years. He is buried on Fairview cemetery, Allentown. He married Mary E. Keck. They had two sons, Allen K., whose history follows, and Milton, who lived in Allentown. The latter had a daughter, Ida M., married to W. A. Hausman, a resident of Allentown.

Allen K. Appel was born July 14, 1830. He was a school teacher in his earlier life, having been a graduate of Gregory's Academy, at Allentown. Afterward he followed farming and also was the proprietor of Appel's hotel, near Mountainville. He married Maria Knauss, born April 5, 1830, died June 5, 1912. He died Sept. 8, 1860. Their children follow: Mary E., who married Dr. Ervin Heyl, and after his death she married Reuben S. Leisenring, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume; John, deceased, who succeeded his father upon the farm which was the Henry Keck homestead, having been purchased in 1732. A little stone house on this farm was built before the middle of the eighteenth century and it is still standing. George Keck began building the present large house in 1812, and while he was away in the war his faithful wife completed the house.

#### ARBOGAST FAMILY.

The ancestors of this representative Pennsylvania family came from Germany on the ship "Edinburgh," which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 16, 1751. His name on the ship's list of passengers is recorded as *Johannes Arbengast*. He was married and had among others two sons, Ludwig and Johannes. Johannes Arbogast, the son of Johannes, who emigrated, became one of the pioneer settlers in the territory which was embraced in the original Penn township, Snyder county. This territory was included in old Northumberland county, which was organized in 1772. That this pioneer planned well and was a most industrious and prosperous citizen of colonial Pennsylvania is evidenced by his many re-

corded land purchases and by his last will and testament which covers two pages, viz, 145 and 146, in Will Book 2, in the register's office at Sunbury, Pa. The will is a model in many respects, and reflects the noble character of the testator, who divided a very large estate among his five sons and three daughters, and for his dear wife, Catharine, who survived him, he provided most liberally.

The name of Ludwig Arbogast appears among a list of non-commissioned officers and privates of the First Pennsylvania Regiment, of the Continental Line, in the Revolutionary War. On Oct. 13, 1776, he was wounded at the Block House, and was discharged March 23, 1783. In 1835, he was still living, and resided in Philadelphia. *Penna. Archives, Fifth Series.*

The executors of the will were his sons, John and Ludwig Arbogast; and the witnesses to the document were his neighbors, John Moatz and Nich. Roth (or Rath). The will was made on the 15th day of April, 1811, and probated May 14th of the following month. It is evident that John Arbogast, the pioneer, passed from this life into his reward between these two dates. The names of the children follow in order as they are named in the will:

1. "I give and devise unto my son Nicholas, the sum of 400 pounds."
2. "I give and devise unto my son Peter, the plantation whereon he now lives, for which he shall pay out 100 pounds."
- 3 and 4. "I give and devise unto my two sons, John and Ludwig, whereon they now dwell, which I will and order shall be equally divided between the said John and Ludwig. (A long description as to how the land is to be divided then follows.) A public road passed through John's land to the town of Middleburg. John was to pay out the sum of 350 pounds; and Ludwig was to pay out 150 pounds."
5. "I give and bequeath unto my son William, 400 pounds."
6. "I give and devise unto my daughter, Catharine, now the wife of Christopher Schatzberger, the one-half of the undivided plantation whereon she now dwells, which is my share of such plantation."
7. "I give and devise unto my daughter, Anna Maria, now the wife of Jacob Felmlly, the sum of 243 pounds."
8. "I give and devise unto my daughter, Barbara, now the wife of John Zwally, the sum of 243 pounds."

The will follows:

In the name of God, Amen, I John Arbogast of Penn township, in the County of Northumberland, and State of Pennsylvania. Being weak in body but

of sound and understanding mind, memory and understanding blessed be God for the same, but considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit:—Principally and first of all I commend my immortal soul into the hands of God who gave it to me, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, at the direction of my executors hereinafter named, and as to such worldly estate wherein it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and dispose of the same in the following manner, to wit: First, I order that my executors shall pay all my funeral expenses as soon as possible and payable my just debts. I give and devise unto my dear wife Catharine, out of my real and personal property estate during her natural life the room wherein we now dwell and she is to have her right in the kitchen and the one-third of the garden and the kitchen dresser and as much of the kitchen furniture as she shall want, and one copper kettle and one table, four chairs, two beds, one clock and case and her choice of the chests, and she may take two, one ten plate stove and pipe, and her wheel and reel and two milk cows, her choice; one testament and one hymn book, and the one-third of the cellar and two tubs, her choice; also a right to as many apples as she shall want and one hive of bees, her choice; and one-third of the fowls on the plantation where we now dwell. I give and devise unto my son, Nicholas Arbogast, the sum of four hundred pounds, lawful money of the State of Pennsylvania, which he hath already received from me. I give and devise unto my son, Peter Arbogast, the plantation whereon he now lives for which he shall pay out one hundred pounds of lawful money of the State aforesaid, unto my hereinafter named heirs. I give and devise unto my two sons, John and Ludwig Arbogast, the plantation whereon they now dwell, which I will and order shall be equally divided between the said John and Ludwig, beginning on the Chestnut Ridge, a corner of said land and Jacob Moyer's land, thence in a strict line to the road to the line of said land and John Motz's land, except a piece of meadow ground of five acres to be the same more or less which would come within the aforesaid, John's line bordering on the public road leading through said John's land to the town of Middleburg, and my son John shall allow my aforesaid son Ludwig, a road threw his land to the aforesaid meadow. I will and order that my aforesaid son, John, shall pay out of his estate of land unto my heirs herein after named the sum of three hundred and fifty pounds lawful money of the State of Pennsylvania. I hereafter shall direct; and I will and order that my son, Ludwig, shall pay out of his share of land unto my hereinafter named heirs, the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds of lawful money of the State of Pennsylvania, as I hereafter shall direct. I give and bequeath to my son, William Arbogast, four hundred pounds like lawful money as aforesaid.

I will and order that the money that my son, William, hath already received from me shall be in part of the said four hundred pounds and the balance of the four hundred pounds shall be paid as I hereinafter direct. I give and devise unto my daughter, Catharine, now the wife of Christopher Schatzberger, the one-half of the undivided plantation whereon she now dwells, which is my share of said plantation. I give and devise unto my daughter, Anna Maria, now the wife of Jacob Felmly, the sum of 243 pounds, lawful money aforesaid. I will and order that it shall be paid her as I shall hereafter direct,

first deducting out of said sum what she or Felmly have already received. I give and devise unto my daughter, Barbara, now the wife of John Zwally, the sum of 243 pounds, like money aforesaid, I will and order shall be paid her as I shall hereafter direct, first deducting out of said sum that she or Zwally have already received. I will and order that my son Peter pay or cause to be paid the aforesaid sum of one hundred pounds unto three of my aforesaid heirs, William, Anna Maria, and Barbara or their survivors of them, in yearly payments, that is to say, fifteen pounds yearly until the said 100 pounds are fully paid each.

(Here follows at length how more money shall be paid by the various heirs.)

And as touching all the rest residue and remainder of my personal estate I will and order that my hereinafter named executors shall take an inventory and expose the same to public sale as soon as they can after my disease, and the money now in my hands and the money standing out shall by my executors be applied toward pattering the land that I have bequeathed to my two sons, John and Ludwig, and then, if there is any money left in their hands they shall put it on interest, and the interest shall be paid to my wife, Catharine, as long as she lives and after her death I order that my executors shall sell by public sale the personal estate now let my wife Catharine and the money arising from sale and all other moneys of my estate I order shall be equally divided between my five sons and three daughters, and lastly I nominate and appoint my two sons, John and Ludwig Arbogast, both of Penn Township in the county aforesaid, to be the executors of my last will and testament.

In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 15 day of April, 1811.

Witness: John Moatz,

Nich. Roth (or Rath)

Signed in German, Johannes Arbogast.

Probated May 14, 1811. Recorded in File 37, Will Book 2, pages 145, 146.

Peter Arbogast, the second son of Johannes, and the grandfather of Wilson Arbogast, was a farmer in Snyder county, Pennsylvania. He died about 1859, aged 80 years, and is buried at Grubb's church, of which he was a member of the Lutheran congregation. He was married twice. The first wife was Margaret Long, and their children were: Jonathan; John; and Barbara, who was married to a Steffy. The children by his second wife were: Simon, Peter, and William.

John Arbogast, the second son of Peter, removed to the state of Indiana, and from there to California, where he died and is buried.

Simon Arbogast settled in Ohio.

Peter Arbogast remained in Snyder county, and was a farmer in the Flint Stone Valley.

William Arbogast lived at Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa.

Jonathan Arbogast, the oldest son of Peter, and the father of Wilson, of Allentown, was born in Washington township, Snyder county, on April 13, 1810. He was baptized on July 31st, of the same year, and his sponsors were Jonathan



and Catharine Long, probably his grandparents. His birth certificate is in possession of his son, Gustavus. There he owned and conducted a farm of 125 acres. He was a strong supporter of the free school system, serving as a school director of his township for many years.

He married Catharine Busler, a daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Battorf) Busler. She was born in 1821, died in 1893. Mr. Arbogast died in July, 1883. They are buried in Freeburg, Pa. They had the following children: 1. William, who died unmarried about 1859. 2. Jonathan B., married Julia Ann Riegel, and their children were: Mary, Alice, Catharine, and Maggie. 3. Wilson, history follows. 4. Henry, married Emma Kautz. They resided in the West. He died in 1907. They had three children. 5. John, married Amanda Kantz. They also reside in the West, and have three children. 6. Gustavus. 7. Mary, married Elmer Sechrist, and they have a son, Roy.

#### WILSON ARBOGAST.

The president of the packing house of Arbogast & Bastian, at Allentown, Pennsylvania, is Wilson Arbogast. He is a native of Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa., having been born in 1851, a son of Jonathan and Catharine (Busler) Arbogast.

Wilson Arbogast enjoyed the best educational advantages, beginning in the public schools in his community, and pursuing advanced courses of study in a preparatory academy, after which he entered the Keystone State Normal School, graduating from that institution in 1875. He then taught school another term in Mahanoy township, Northumberland county, having taught there four terms altogether. In the year 1876, he removed to Martin's Creek, Northampton county, where he continued the profession of teaching in a most satisfactory manner, and during the same period of time, Mr. Arbogast conducted a general merchandise store at the same place. In 1882, he disposed of his stock of goods, and for the following three years he carried on a provision business in Phillipsburg, New Jersey. In 1887, he formed an association with Morris C. Bastian, under the firm name of Arbogast & Bastian, which organization was the foundation of the present house of Arbogast & Bastian Company, at Allentown. The success which attended the efforts of this concern bespeak high merit both for Mr. Arbogast and his congenial associate, Mr. Bastian. This firm not only erected a monumental business but they also created the trade for it. The reputation of this house is not limited to the confines of its own state. The su-

perior product of the Arbogast & Bastian Company is sold in all the large cities of the East.

During his entire career, Mr. Arbogast has maintained a reputation and character that is beyond reproach. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. His fraternal connections are with the Masonic Lodge, having membership in Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., at Allentown. In politics he is a Republican. He has served as a school director for two years in the First ward, also for a like term of years he was a councilman. After his removal to No. 217 North Fourth street, Fifth ward, he served that district in the school board for 2 years, and in 1911, under the new school code, he was one of the nine men to be elected for a term of six years, from a large list of candidates as a school controller of the city of Allentown. He is now (1914) the vice-president of the board.

In 1876, he was married to Emily Haas, daughter of Charles and Mary (Rinn) Haas. They have the following children: 1. Porter B., born at Martin's Creek, Pa. He graduated from the Allentown high school, and then spent two years in study abroad, during which time he received masterly instruction upon the violin, in Liege, Belgium, and at the time of his death in 1907, he was manager of the company's branch at Reading. His age was but 31 years. His widow, Sadie H., *nee* Hartner, and two children, Emily and Frederick, survive him. They live at No. 211 North Fourth street, Allentown. 2. Elsie B., is the wife of Elwood J. Faust, who occupies and cultivates the Arbogast farm of 113 acres, situated near Easton, Pa. They have the following children: Wilson, Donald, and Caroline. 3. Gustavus, who died at the age of fourteen years. 4. Mary Catharine, is married to Perry H. Rahn, connected with the Arbogast & Bastian Company. They have three children: Mary, Richard, and Douglass. 5. Arthur, who is a student at the Medico Chirurgical College, Philadelphia.

#### GUSTAVUS ARBOGAST.

Gustavus Arbogast, the sixth son of Jonathan, was born Jan. 27, 1858. He attended the schools in Washington township, and there he followed farming until in 1886, when he removed to Freeburg, Pa., where he lived until his removal to Allentown in 1892. He has since been employed by Arbogast & Bastian, at Allentown.

On July 1, 1883, he married Lydia, a daughter of Samuel and Amelia (Jarrett) Hendricks, of Snyder county. They have the following children: 1. William, married to Iva Conrad. They reside at Allentown and have two children. 2. Mary, married to Rev. E. O. Marks, a Reformed minister, located at Johnstown, Pa. 3. Lester

C., married to Mabel Bower. They live at Allentown. 4. Elwood, died aged eleven years.

#### ARNER FAMILY.

(1) Johan Ulrich Arner, from the Palatinate, emigrated to America on the ship *Mercury*, which arrived at Philadelphia May 29, 1735. This early pioneer was born in 1693, being 42 years old when he landed in this country. He was accompanied by his wife, Verona, and four children: Verona, aged 9; Felix, aged 7; Hans Ulrich, aged 5; and Margaret, aged 4. On July 24, 1737, the records of the Goshenhoppen Reformed church mention the baptism of Anna Catharine, daughter of Ulrich and Verona Arner. After a lapse of five years, namely, on Sept. 19, 1742, a son, Heinrich was baptized by Rev. Wuertz.

(1) Johan Ulrich Arner in 1746 was one of the founders of the Heidelberg Church located in the upper part of what is now Lehigh county, and contributed to its erection. On Feb. 27, 1744, he secured a warrant for 105 acres of land located along the Jordan creek in North Whitehall township, and on May 26, 1751, a second warrant for 25 acres. About the year 1750 he sold a tract of nearly 400 acres in the former township to Michael Deiber. In the year 1762, the tax list of Heidelberg township shows that he paid a tax of five English pounds.

(2) Felix Arner was born Jan. 14, 1726, and died in the vicinity of the Egypt church, where he is also buried, on Feb. 20, 1776. On Oct. 18, 1752, he secured a warrant for 25 acres of land, and on Jan. 28, 1771 another for 15 acres. His widow Elizabeth, later married Peter Anthony. (2) Felix and Elizabeth Arner had the following children: Jacob; Anna Margaret, (m. John Kern); Susanna Margaret, (m. Jacob Berger); Catharine, (m. Jacob Hunsicker); Elizabeth, (m. Daniel Rex); Margaret; Salome; John; Felix; William; and Dorothea.

(3) William Arner, son of Felix, was born in what is now Lehigh county. Early in life he was a resident of Heidelberg township, and after his marriage to Magdalena Krum they removed to East Penn township, Carbon county, where he was a taxable in 1799. By occupation he was a farmer. He and his wife are buried at Bensalem Church, of which they were Reformed members. Their children were: John; Elizabeth, (b. March 29, 1793, a twin to John, m. Joseph Mertz); Henry; David; Joseph; Maria (m. Thomas Beltz); Molly (m. Adam Dreisbach); and Catharine (m. Daniel Gerber).

(4) John Arner was born in Heidelberg township, March 29, 1793, and moved with his parents to Carbon county. Later he came to South Whitehall township where he worked upon

a farm and married Sarah Diehl, born Feb. 17, 1792, a daughter of Jacob and Anna (Riebsamin) Diehl. They continued to work and live upon the farm along the Jordan for several years. He then purchased a 16-acre tract of land in Upper Macungie, where his wife died March 13, 1878. He followed her in death a year later, on March 28, 1879. They are both buried at the Jordan Reformed Church, of which they were members, and of which he was a deacon and elder for many years. He was also a school director in Upper Macungie for a number of terms. By occupation he was a carpet-weaver, and also made linsey-woolsey.

(5) John and Sarah Arner had the following named children: Moses and Judith, who died young; Mary Anna, b. Dec. 16, 1823, (m. Peter Haas); Eliza, b. Dec. 2, 1825, (m. Tilghman Sell); Edward, b. Aug. 13, 1828. (Lived in Upper Macungie and later in South Whitehall. Was a carpenter and later farmer. His wife was Maria Anna Semmel. He died Jan. 12, 1899.) Sarah, b. July 2, 1830, (m. Henry M. Larosh); Lucy, (m. Edward Peter); Carolina, was a maiden lady; and Aaron.

(6) Aaron Arner born Feb. 9, 1837, resides near the Jordan creek in South Whitehall. As a boy he attended the common schools, and later learned his trade from his father, with whom he worked until he was 21, weaving carpets, linens and flannels. He then learned the carpenter trade, which he followed about 50 years, and during these years travelled many miles with his carpenter tools upon his back. He would frequently leave home on Monday morning at 3 o'clock, and walk from Upper Macungie to Catasauqua and Fullerton. In 1873 he purchased his present home in South Whitehall, to which belong nine acres. On this property is a large stone house that was built by Peter Snyder in 1811. After his children were grown up and left home, he resumed weaving, so that he could remain near his cozy and well-managed home.

Aaron Arner, like his father, is a member of the Jordan Reformed church, which he has at various times served as deacon, elder and trustee. Earlier in life he and his family were members of the Morgenland Church, of which he was also a deacon. Politically he is a Democrat, and has served as school director and treasurer of South Whitehall. In 1863 he married Amanda Haas, daughter of Henry Haas, and they had these children: (7) Webster J.; Frank A.; Dr. Edgar W., (b. 1869, and d. 1894, at Fairview, Luzerne county, Pa., as the result of a railroad accident); and Lillie V., (m. Levi Ziegler, of Chapman's Station, Pa.).



(7) Frank Arner, of Allentown, was born in Upper Macungie, July 29, 1866. He received his early education in the township schools, select schools and also took a course in the Allentown Business College, from which he graduated. He taught school four terms in South Whitehall, and in 1888 accepted a clerical position in Allentown. In 1906 he resigned his position and engaged in the business of wholesaling coffees, teas, rice, peanuts, etc., at 913 Linden Street.

Since 1889 Mr. Arner has been a member of Salem Reformed Church and from then until 1912 served as a teacher in the Sunday school, when he was elected one of the assistant superintendents. He was also treasurer of the Sunday school from 1896 until 1912. In 1894 he was elected a deacon of the church, which position he filled until 1900; and during these years was also financial secretary.

Fraternally he is a member of Livingstone Castle No. 258, K. G. E., and of Camp No. 196, P. O. S. of A.

In 1892 Mr. Arner married Alice E. Moyer, daughter of the late Henry L., and Eliza (Albright) Moyer, and they have three children: Marguerite A.; Anna M.; and Paul A.

(7) Webster J. Arner, also a son of Aaron, a citizen of Allentown, was born in Upper Macungie March 1, 1864. He was educated in the public schools, and reared on the farm. He learned paper box manufacturing in Binghamton, N. Y., and was employed in that city seven years. He then started a plant of which he was given entire charge as general superintendent, for a large corporation, which position he held six years. In February, 1892, he came to Allentown and became manufacturing manager for M. H. Ryan and Company who employ about 60 people. He and family are members of the Presbyterian church.

Fraternally Mr. Arner is a member of the order of K. of F., Liberty No. 45; Lecha Tribe No. 185, I. O. R. M.; Maccabees, and the Modern Brotherhood of America. Politically he has served in the office of Trustee at McGraw, N. Y., which corresponds to councilman in Pennsylvania. He married in 1885 Minnie Roenrance, of Binghamton, N. Y., and their children are: Nina (m. Elwood L. Maloney, Philadelphia) and Lola.

(3) Henry Arner son of William, and grandson of Felix, was born in Lehigh county, and while a child was taken with his parents to Carbon county. In 1817 he first rented a farm in Mahoning township, and about 1820 opened a shoe factory. In 1832 he erected a powder mill, and was the first to manufacture powder in Eastern Pennsylvania, outside of Philadelphia.

His mill was accidentally blown up on three different occasions, resulting in the loss of five lives. One of these explosions which occurred on June 8, 1841, killed his brother Daniel. Fire falling out of an old "tallow dip" lamp such as were then in use, was the cause of one catastrophe.

In addition to manufacturing powder Henry Arner operated a large farm, and was a man of more than common enterprise. He was a member of the German Reformed Church, and is buried at Becks Church in his native township. His first wife was Catharine Moyer, and they had six children: Ammon, Tilghman, Daniel, Eliza (m. Benjamin Koons), Louisa (m. Zachariah H. Long), and Abigail (m. first Mr. Hunsicker and second Amos Riegel). Henry Arner married secondly Harriet Hailey and by her had seven children: Thomas J.; Henry B. Mc.; William J.; Joseph D.; Ellen K. (m. Charles F. Ross); Emily J. (m. Maurice Montz); and Sophia J., (m. first George Siglen and second Joseph Turnbach).

(4) Ammon Arner, the second son of Henry, was born Feb. 2, 1822 in Mahoning township. He was actively engaged with his father in the manufacture of powder, and after the death of the latter conducted the business alone, in addition to operating the homestead farm. In 1869 he turned his attention to mercantile pursuits at New Mahoning, continuing until 1894 when he sold out to his son-in-law, Lewis J. Zimmerman, and retired from active business. He was a Reformed member of Becks Church, which he served as deacon.

On April 18, 1848, Ammon Arner married Annie Beltz, daughter of John and Hannah (Hummel) Beltz, of Mahoning township. His death occurred in 1904, and his remains are buried at Becks Church. His wife died Nov. 17, 1901, aged 70 years. They had eleven children, as follows: John H.; Israel (died when a young man); Moses D. (in 1880 settled in Clay county, Kansas); Catharine J. (m. Lewis Zimmerman, of New Mahoning); Lillie A. (m. Rev. J. S. Heisler, a prominent minister of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical Church, stationed at Sunbury, Pa., since 1911); and six children, deceased, of whom four died of diphtheria within a period of 13 days. Two of the latter were buried in one grave.

John H. Arner, of Allentown, Pa., is a native of Mahoning township, Carbon county, where he was born in 1849 and reared upon the farm. When 15 years old he began clerking in his father's store, which he managed for 14 years. For 20 years he was a travelling salesman, and in 1884 located in Allentown where he has since

resided. He filled a clerical position with T. J. Dunn & Co., who have a branch cigar factory in Allentown, and was their shipping clerk a number of years. Since 1911 he has been receiving clerk for Hess Brothers. He was married in 1868 to Mary Wehr, daughter of Peter Wehr and his wife, Elizabeth Rauch, of Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, and they have three children: Calvin E.; Minnie (m. William Pascoe of Wapwallopen, Pa.); and Luella (m. George Sell, of Allentown, Pa.).

CALVIN E. ARNER, Esq., of Allentown, is a native of Carbon county, and was born Oct. 7, 1869. He was educated in the Palatinate College Myerstown, Pa., and at Franklin and Marshall College, graduating from the latter institution in 1890. He read law with the Honorable Edward Harvey, now deceased, and on Sept. 13, 1893, was admitted to the bar. Latter he was admitted to practice before the higher courts of the state. He has offices at No. 610 Hamilton street. Mr. Arner is a staunch adherent of the principles of the Democratic party. From 1905 to 1911 he served as a member of the common council, being elected from the Fourth ward, and in September, 1913, under the commission form of government, was nominated from a list of forty-nine candidates as one of the eight men to be voted for at the ensuing election in November, he receiving the highest vote of all the candidates. He was elected on Nov. 4, 1913, again receiving the highest vote of the councilmanic candidates. At the present time (1914) he has charge of the finances of Allentown, with offices in the city hall.

#### ASCHBACH FAMILY.

In the *Highlander*, of May 17, 1842, published in Freiburg, Germany, appeared a biographical sketch of Gerhard Adolph Aschbach, the grandfather of Gerhard C. Aschbach, late of Allentown, Pa., and the subject of this article. The sketch came from the pen of his intimate friend, Hermann von Rotteck. From this we learn that Gerhard Adolph Aschbach was born at Hoechst on the Main, June 27, 1793. His father was the proprietor of a vermicelli factory, and a highly respected citizen of such culture and ability that he was the sole tutor of his son until the latter was fourteen years of age. Gerhard, ever cheerful and eager to learn, made rapid progress in his studies, and soon became the teacher of his younger brothers and sisters, especially of Joseph, who later became the well-known historian. When sixteen years old he was sent to the gymnasium at Idstein, where he so distinguished himself that he was allowed to skip two classes in the course.

Meanwhile the fortunes of his father had changed. War had destroyed his possessions and his son, Gerhard, had to leave school to help in the management of "The Three Kings," which the elder Aschbach had leased in Heidelberg. Later he resumed his studies, although he, like his brother Joseph, was obliged to support himself by teaching in an institution for young ladies. During vacation he was accustomed to make pedestrian trips to all parts of Germany, in one of which he had an encounter with a notorious robber of those days in the well-known Odenwald. He was of a quiet and peaceable disposition, but, when his honor was assailed or the name of a friend was attacked, he was bold and fearless. His skill in arms and his noble character rendered him particularly popular among the comrades of his student-corps.

When, in 1813, the Germans were summoned to arms to save the Fatherland, he abandoned his studies, was enrolled second lieutenant of the Seventh Battalion of the National Guard, and took part in the campaign of 1814, after which he returned to his books. When, in 1815, the war broke out afresh, he accompanied his regiment to Alsace, and was present at the battle of Strassburg. After the peace of Paris, he continued his legal studies, and in 1816 passed the state examinations with distinction.

He began his official life in Emmendingen, where he married the daughter of Dr. Gaup, in 1820. After a stay of two years in this place he was called to Karlsruhe and in 1825 he was appointed Judge and Aulic Councillor in Rastatt, being high in favor with the Grand Duke Ludwig. This position he held till 1833 when he was transferred to the imperial court at Moersburg. He was a member of the famous Chamber of Deputies, in which he labored in behalf of the constitutional rights of the people by the side of leaders like Rotteck, Welker, Duttlinger, Mittermaier, Hofmann, and Gerbel. After a two years' stay he was transferred to Constanx, and thence to Freiburg. He died suddenly on the 20th of April, 1842, from a stroke of apoplexy. His imposing funeral attested the high esteem in which he was held by his official colleagues and his fellow-citizens.

A younger brother of Gerhard Adolph Aschbach, born at Hoechst, April 29, 1801, educated at Heidelberg, made a Doctor of Philosophy by the University of Marburg at the age of twenty-two, became the famous historian later known to the world as Joseph von Aschbach. A man of great versatility, and the author of many learned works, he was called to the University of Vienna as professor of history in 1853, became a member of the Academy of Sciences, was appointed Aulic



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Councillor, received the Order of the Iron Cross, and was raised by the Emperor to the Austrian nobility. In 1881 his students and colleagues celebrated his eightieth birthday by presenting an address and a silver laurel wreath on whose leaves were engraved the titles of his works. He died April 25, 1882. His son, Dr. Emil von Aschbach was a prominent member of the legal profession in Vienna.

Gustavus Adolphus Aschbach, the son of Gerhard Adolph Aschbach, was born at Rastatt, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, March 3, 1826. His father instilled in his mind the liberal ideas and hopes of a united fatherland, and placed him in the gymnasium at Freiburg. The son early chose jurisprudence for his life work, and upon the death of his father entered the University of Heidelberg. While he was at the University the revolution of 1848 broke out, and Aschbach, with many of his fellow students, threw himself heartily into the movement. The revolution failed, and he, with many others, was obliged to leave the country in order to save his life. He went to Rapperschwyl, Switzerland, where he applied himself to civil engineering, in which he became highly proficient.

In 1850 he came to this country and, after residing for a time in New York City, came to Allentown, Pennsylvania, in 1854, where his ability as architect and civil engineer soon made him prominent. He was repeatedly elected city engineer of Allentown, made excellent maps of the city and county from his own surveys and was largely engaged in the construction of the Allentown and Hamburg Railroad, being associated with George B. Roberts, who later became president of the Pennsylvania Railroad. A great part of the perfect arrangement of the streets of Allentown is due to his skill. Among the many buildings that still attest his taste and ability as an architect are the Lehigh county prison, which has received great praise as a model specimen of prison architecture, St. John's English Reformed Church, the Fifth Ward School House, and the residence of Mr. Thomas J. Koch.

During the Civil War he was engaged in constructing fortifications for the Union Army in Ohio and Kentucky under Generals Simpson and Burnside, and rendered valuable services to his country. As a result of exposure in the performance of his duties in the army, he was an invalid for many years, and at last died, in Allentown, of a complication of diseases, on April 17, 1875.

Mr. Aschbach was a man of high ideals, of noble impulses and of generous nature. No worthy cause ever appealed to him in vain, and

he actively participated in the educational advancement of the community in which he lived.

During his lifetime he was a member of the German Patriotic Association, the Trexlertown Lodge of Free Masons, Allen Lodge of Odd Fellows, the German Association of Lehigh County, the Lehigh Saengerbund, the Academy of Natural Sciences, the Allentown Board of Trade and the Palette Club, of New York.

Mr. Aschbach met his future wife on the voyage from Havre to New York, which was made in the three master "Robert Kelly," Captain Kennedy, and lasted forty-two days. On April 11, 1854, he married Emilie Friederika Mayer, a daughter of Friederich Carl Mayer, and his wife, Christina, who was a daughter of Conrad Moritz, a retired landed proprietor, and his wife, Magdalena Steigelmann. Mrs. Aschbach was born in Bergzabern, in the Rhenish Palatinate, Feb. 14, 1832. Her father was register of landed estates, and a son of Rev. John Adam Mayer, a Councillor of the Consistory in Speyer-on-the-Rhine, who had married into a prominent patrician family of Frankfort-on-the-Main. Here her youngest brother, Julius Mayer, lived for many years, while her oldest brother, Professor Frederick Mayer, was for a long time superintendent of music in the public schools of Dayton, Ohio.

From this marriage of Gustavus Adolphus Aschbach with Emilie Friederika Mayer, were born Gerhard Charles Aschbach, and Emma Charlotte Elizabeth Aschbach, who, on Aug. 17, 1899, was married to Professor George T. Ettinger, Ph.D., of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa. Mrs. Aschbach died on Jan. 27, 1911.

GERHARD CHARLES ASCHBACH, the son of Gustavus Adolphus Aschbach, and Emilie Friederika Aschbach, and the late head of the American branch of the family, was born in Allentown, Jan. 15, 1855. He received his education in the public schools of Allentown, the Allentown Military Academy and the Academic Department of Muhlenberg College. After learning the trade of cabinet maker in the establishment of Heimbach and Helfrich, he entered the organ factory of John Florey, whose business was later acquired by Ritter, Abbott & Ruhe, trading as the Allentown Organ Company. In 1876 he started in the music business at 810 Hamilton street, Allentown, but shortly afterwards moved into the basement of the Second National Bank Building, 532 Hamilton street, from which he in turn moved across the street into what was then known as the Osmon & Scholl Building. Here he remained for several years, until the Second National Bank vacated its Hamilton street home, when he moved back and occupied the entire building. Here he remained



until 1891, when he purchased the Jonathan Reichard property at 539 Hamilton street, and erected the handsome four-storied building in which he had his permanent business home, until his death on Aug. 15, 1913. In all these years the field of his activity had been ever widening, until to-day the G. C. Aschbach Music House is the largest establishment of its kind in eastern Pennsylvania, requiring the constant services of twenty-two persons, importing extensively from foreign countries and handling all the leading instruments and publications.

For five years Mr. Aschbach was the manager of the old Hagenbuch Opera House, now occupied by the extensive grocery store of James K. Bowen. At the same time he managed similar establishments in Bethlehem and Mauch Chunk. To him Allentown owes its first modern theatre, as it was through his efforts that Music Hall, later known as the Academy of Music, was erected on the northeast corner of Sixth and Linden streets. During his management of the above-named theatres he presented many of the leading artists (literary, musical, and dramatic) then before the public, of whom may be mentioned Emma Abbott, Minnie Hauk, the Boston Ideals, Joseph Jefferson, E. L. Davenport, Lawrence Barrett, Joe Emmett, Henry Ward Beecher, Adelaide Neilson, Aimé, Emma Thursby, Robson and Crane, Fanny Davenport, Madame Carreno, Joseffy, Chevalier de Kontski, the original Swedish Quartette, Camilla Urso, and John T. Raymond.

In 1880 he married Miss Sallie R. Kramer, daughter of Allen and Anna Diefenderfer Kramer. This union was blessed with six children, of whom two survive: Emilie Mary, now the wife of George H. Meyers, Jr., of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and Gerhard Charles Aschbach, Jr., now the manager of the business.

Mr. Aschbach was confirmed in St. John's English Lutheran church, Allentown, by Rev. Reuben Hill, D.D., and for many years was a member of the same, until the organization of Christ Lutheran church, in the western part of the city, when he transferred his membership to the new congregation.

He was a member of the Royal Arcanum, the Heptasophs, the Knights of Malta, and the Livingston Club, and a contributing member of the Lehigh Saengerbund, and the Allentown Oratorio Society.

Upon the death of Mr. Aschbach, the *Allentown Democrat*, on Aug. 19, 1913, in an editorial said the following:

"The death of Gerhard C. Aschbach marks the passing of one of Allentown's most substantial business men. Mr. Aschbach was one of the

city's strong men in the commercial sense. It is frequently stated that the great majority of the city's most successful merchants are men who are not natives of the city. The same is probably true of every community. There are, however, exceptions to all rules and Mr. Aschbach was one of these exceptions. He made good in the place of his nativity. He was successful because he deserved success. He prospered because he was ambitious, energetic, and conscientious.

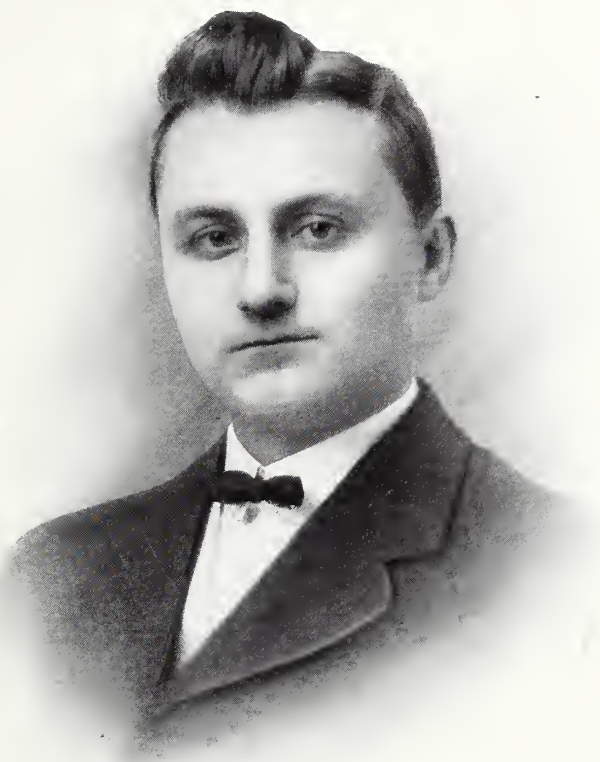
"For a generation the name of G. C. Aschbach has been closely associated with the business life of the city, and it is a name that has always stood for everything that is honest and upright in business. None was more enterprising. It was through the efforts of our departed friend that Allentown secured its first theatre that was a credit to the town. For years Allentown was without a playhouse that was worthy of the name or in keeping with the city's reputation for enterprise. It was G. C. Aschbach who promoted the company that erected Music Hall, at Sixth and Linden streets, where the Democrat Building now stands. In later years Mr. Aschbach devoted all his time to the music house that he established in a small way many years ago and which has become one of the most important of its kind in the state. Only a man who possesses rare business ability could have succeeded as he has done.

"There are few men who had more friends than Mr. Aschbach had. He had mastered the secret of making friends and retaining them and to them his death is a grievous blow. The community has lost a good citizen whose place is hard to fill."

ADOLPH THEODORE ASCHBACH, the esteemed son of the late G. C. Aschbach, preceded his father in death by just two months and two days. In his death, the career of a promising and able young man was ended too soon.

He died after an operation for peritonitis, Wednesday, June 17, 1913, at the age of thirty-three years. The operation was performed at the Allentown Hospital on Sunday, and death followed three days later. The family, relatives, and many friends of this young man were shocked by the untimely death of one who still had much to live for, and who had given every promise of becoming a successful business man as well as a prominent citizen.

Mr. Aschbach was born in Allentown, Pa., on Oct. 31, 1880. His early education was obtained in the public schools of the city. Later he attended the Muhlenberg Preparatory School and Muhlenberg College. After a business course in the Allentown Business College, he entered the music store of his father. To



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fit himself particularly for the piano trade he spent three years in the Blasius Piano Company's factory, at Woodbury, N. J. He there familiarized himself with the details of piano manufacturing, and was soon among the leading piano men of the Lehigh Valley. He was given the supervision of the repair end of his father's business, and by adopting efficiency methods he soon secured a large patronage.

In 1904 he married Miss Bessie I. Dreifoos, who, with two children, Henry Gerhard, and Emilie Frederica, survive him. The deceased was a member of St. John's Lutheran congregation, as well as of a number of clubs and lodges.

He had a pleasing personality, and was enthusiastic, faithful, and capable. His untimely death cut short a business career of great promise.

GERHARD C. ASCHBACH, JR., who is the manager of the noted G. C. Aschbach Music House, at Allentown, was born in that city in 1885. After his education in the Allentown high school, Muhlenberg College, and the Allentown Business College, he learned piano building in one of the leading establishments in New York City, where he was employed upwards of two years. He then returned to Allentown and ably assisted his father and elder brother in the conducting of their large and firmly established business, until the death of his father and elder brother, when upon his shoulders fell the duties and responsibilities of successfully continuing the management of the G. C. Aschbach Music House, which has existed for nearly forty years.

Mr. Aschbach has membership in the following lodges and clubs: Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M.; B. P. O. E., No. 110; F. O. E., No. 130; the Clover Club; the St. Leger Club, and the Lehigh Country Club.

#### ERNEST ASHLEY.

Ernest Ashley, florist of Allentown, is a native of England and there he learned his business. He was born in 1869 and at the age of 22 years came to Pennsylvania. He landed at Philadelphia on a Sunday night at nine o'clock; and the following Monday morning at nine o'clock had a position at work in a florist store. The employer who hired him thought he was too "green," nevertheless a few months later he was promoted to the position of assistant decorator of his large establishment. After serving this position for four years he went to Buffalo, N. Y., and there he was employed by a large florist, and later he was employed by the largest florist at Jamestown, N. Y. In 1895 he took a trip to England, and while doing so he represented a Philadelphia house in the sale of cultivators and patent articles to English florists.

Upon his return to America the same year, the same house offered him a road position to sell seeds and florist supplies in five states, and he continued in this position until 1902 when he located at Allentown, having leased the A. B. Ellsworth green houses for a term of 10 years. During this time he purchased two acres of land on Pike street, East Allentown, and there built large green-houses. He conducts one of the largest florist establishments in Allentown, at No. 943 Hamilton street. He is a member of the St. James Commandery, No. 68, Knights of Malta, and the Saengerbund of Allentown.

In 1898 he was married to Jennie H. Holmes, daughter of Robert Holmes of England. They are members of the Episcopalian Church in which he served as a vestryman for some years.

#### EDWARD S. ATKINSON.

Edward S. Atkinson, superintendent of Pickup and Kean Dye Works, of Allentown, was born at Leeds, Yorkshire, England, August 6, 1883. He was educated in the public and high schools of his native place where he also studied chemistry and dyeing.. In 1906 he came to America and for three years was employed by J. P. Woods in the Pequa Mills, at Philadelphia. Coming to Allentown he was in the employ of the Southdown Knitting Company for two years, having charge of the dyeing and bleaching departments. In 1912 he became the superintendent of the Pickup and Kean Dye works on Sumner avenue, Allentown. He understands the dyeing and bleaching business in all its details and has under his supervision fifty-five hands.

#### GEORGE W. AUBREY, ESQ.

George W. Aubrey, Esq., of Allentown, was born at Mauch Chunk, Pa., June 26th, 1875. He received his early education in the public schools of Catasauqua and was graduated from Dickinson Law School, Carlisle, Pa., in 1900. Afterward he was engaged for a number of years in business at Catasauqua, Pa., and in May, 1906, came to Allentown, where he took up the practice of law, having been admitted to the Lehigh County Bar on the 22nd day of July, 1900; later he was admitted to practice before the Supreme and Superior Courts of the state. Attorney Aubrey is a successful practitioner, and is engaged mostly in the practice of corporation law and has a suite of offices in the B. & B. Building, and through his reputation has become the legal adviser of a number of large corporations. He is a director and solicitor for the Ridge Avenue Deposit Bank.

Mr. Aubrey was for a number of years the Treasurer of the Livingston Club, and is now

its vice-president. He is also a member of St. David's Society, of New York City, composed entirely of Welsh extraction.

He was united in marriage on the 28th day of April, 1908, to Vernie Sullivan Johnson, a daughter of the late J. Frank Johnson, who was an extensive merchant in Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. Aubrey is a descendant of the old Sullivan family, who resided in the western part of Pennsylvania and who have been prominent in history for many generations. Other members of this family are Hon. Jeremiah Sullivan Black, and Chauncey F. Black.

Thomas Aubrey, the father of George Aubrey, was a native of Wales, where he was born in the year 1846. He died at Catasauqua, Pa., in 1893, at the age of forty-six years.

Anna Aubrey, his mother, is now a resident of Allentown, making her home with her daughter, Mrs. E. Bruce Rohn. Harry H. Aubrey, a brother, resides in Catasauqua, and James T., another brother, resides in Chicago.

#### BACHMAN FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Lehigh county Bachman family was Jacob Bachman, who was born July 25, 1704, and died in 1788, and is buried at Lowhill church. He arrived at Philadelphia on the ship Edinburgh, on Sept. 14, 1753, with his family, his two eldest sons being mentioned in the ship's lists, and settled in Lowhill township, where he was assessed £10 in 1762. A kinsman, Conrad Bachman, settled in Lehigh township, Northampton county. Jacob Bachman was one of the organizers of the Lowhill Reformed congregation on Jan. 27, 1769, when he signed the church constitution. His eldest son, Jacob, Jr., presented a tract of three acres to the congregation, upon which the church was erected and the burial place established. The church was of logs, costing over £39, and was dedicated Sept. 3, 1769. In the Revolutionary War, Jacob Bachman, Sr., served as a private in Capt. Andrew Dapper's company, of Northampton county militia. He was twice married. His second wife was Catharine, widow of William Schmetter, of Albany township, Berks county. He had four sons and four daughters: Jacob, Lorentz, Nicholas, Paul, Christina, Maria, Elizabeth, Susanna, and Ottilia. The four sons of Jacob Bachman were members of Lowhill church.

Jacob Bachman, Jr., the eldest son, was born Nov. 30, 1731, and died March 28, 1796. He married Elizabeth Reichlin, who was born June 22, 1740, and died Oct. 21, 1800. His children were Nicholas, born 1763; Jacob; John, born 1768; Adam, born 1771; Lorentz, born 1773; Paul, born 1776; and Eva Elizabeth, born 1780.

Nicholas Bachman, eldest son of Jacob, Jr., was born Sept. 5, 1763, and died June 16, 1832. He married Catharine Kindt, and had children, Anna Catharine, born 1785; Magdalena, born 1788; Solomon, born 1790; and John Adam, born 1792. John Bachman, third son of Jacob, Jr., was born Oct. 21, 1768, and died Dec. 18, 1829. He married, Nov. 25, 1794, Elizabeth Weiss, and had sons, Jacob, born 1789, and John Adam, born 1791. John Adam Bachman, fourth son of Jacob, Jr., was born Jan. 28, 1771. He married, Aug. 9, 1796, Magdalena Kreutz, and had a son, John, born Feb. 13, 1800.

Lorentz Bachman, second son of Jacob, Sr., farmed a tract of 150 acres in Lynn township. His widow, Susanna, died in 1804. They had eight children: Lorentz, Jacob, Abraham, William, Elizabeth, Magdalena, Rachel, and Maria.

Paul Bachman, youngest son of Jacob, Sr., married Margaret Hantz. She was born Aug. 30, 1744 and died April 12, 1791. He was a farmer in Lynn township and had these children: John, born 1775; Margaret, born 1776; Christian, born 1777; Magdalena, born 1782; Lorentz, born 1783, and David, born 1785, and Daniel, born 1787, who removed to Ohio.

Nicholas Bachman, third son of Jacob, Sr., and the ancestor of the greater part of the family in the county, resided on a tract of 250 acres in Weisenberg township, which he cultivated until his death in 1802. He and his wife, Maria Magdalena had ten children. He married a second time, Dec. 23, 1800, Margaretha Haupt, and had a posthumous son, Theobald, who was born March 14, 1802. Nicholas Bachman served as a private on the frontiers in Capt. Stahler's company in the Revolutionary War.

The ten children of Nicholas Bachman were: Daniel, born Dec. 4, 1768; Maria Magdalena, born Sept. 20, 1770; Jacob, born March 22, 1772, who removed to Carbon county; Paul, born Sept. 15, 1773; Anna Maria, born Feb. 8, 1776; John Nicholas, born April 18, 1778; Jonathan, born March 1, 1780, who removed to Carbon county; Rachel, born Sept. 30, 1781; Andrew, born April 29, 1784, died May 13, 1841, and Peter, born April 18, 1787, who removed to Ohio.

Daniel Bachman, eldest son of Nicholas, and grandson of Jacob, Sr., was born Dec. 4, 1768, and died Dec. 29, 1849. He was a farmer in Weisenberg and later in Lynn township, a Whig in politics, and a member of the Reformed church. He was married, June 21, 1796, by Rev. J. H. Helffrich, to Christina Weiss, who was born April 2, 1778, and died August 2, 1860. They had seven children: 1. Christina, born July 24, 1797, married Jonas Shoemaker; 2.



Maria, born Nov. 27, 1798, married Jonas Ebert; 3. Jonas, born March 14, 1800, died Feb. 19, 1891, married Lydia Werley; 4. Sarah, born Nov. 19, 1801, married George Rex; 5. Peter, born Dec. 8, 1805, died Aug. 5, 1888, married Maria Hartman; 6. Nathan, born 1813, died 1895, married Anna Seibert, and 7. Catharine, married Henry Helfrich.

Jonas Bachman, eldest son of Daniel, born March 14, 1800, died Feb. 19, 1891, married Lydia Werley and had children, Solomon, Jonas, David A., and Matilda. Solomon's children are Clinton, of Rutherford, N. J.; Edwin, of Kempton; Frank, Gertrude, Claude, and Laura. The children of Jonas are Lilah (Mrs. Seth Kistler, of Nanticoke); Annie (Mrs. Charles Miller, of Jordan); Sallie (Mrs. Harry Hoffman), of Philadelphia; Charles, deceased, and Addie, of Lynnville.

Peter Bachman, second son of Daniel, born Dec. 8, 1805, bought, in 1842, a farm in Lynn township, from George Buster, which his son, Stephen, acquired after his father's death in 1888. Peter Bachman married Maria, daughter of Andrew Hartman. She was born Feb. 27, 1805, and died Sept. 27, 1862. They had five children: Mary, married (1) Stephen Miller, and (2) Jacob Kistler; Sarah, married Lewis F. Mosser; Amelia, married Josiah Semmel; Stephen and Phaon H. Andrew Hartman, father of Mrs. Bachman, married (1) a Miss Kramlich, and had five children, Jacob, Stephen, Maria, Catharine, married Peter Seibert, and Elizabeth, married Benjamin Seibert, and (2) a Miss Kocher, in which marriage he had eight children.

STEPHEN BACHMAN, retired farmer of Lynn township, near Lynnville, in the Bachman Valley, was born in the township on July 25, 1833, on the old homestead. Here he was educated and brought up till nine years of age, when his father bought the farm where he (Stephen) now resides. He assisted his father until 1868, when he and his brother, Phaon, conducted this farm, and the Grosscup farm (which Phaon had bought) in partnership, until their father's death in 1888. In the settlement of the estate he took the farm, and has since conducted it in a successful manner. He is a member of St. Peter's church at Lynnville, and since 1911 has served as an elder. He was prominently identified with the choir music for over fifty years, having been leader since 1857, though latterly not so active. He has taken great interest in the Lehigh County Agricultural Society and served as one of the Executive committee since 1898.

He was married to Caroline Fetherolf, a

daughter of Philip, of Lynn township, and they had ten children: Adamissa Mantana, (married David A. Bittner, and lives at Albuquerque, New Mexico); Messina Polly, (married Benjamin Sykes, of Carson, Canada); Rev. J. P. Bachman, of Allentown (married Georgia Triple, of Safe Harbor); Owen J., at home farming for his father (married Minnie Trexler, of Fetherolfsville); Mary Ida (married Rev. J. G. Rupp); Emma Caroline (married Charles C. Benner, president of Allen Trust Co., of Northampton); and Ella Amelia, (married William Buchheit, of Allentown). Mrs. Bachman was born Oct. 15, 1839, and died April 12, 1903.

PHAON HARTMAN BACHMAN, retired farmer of Lynn, and younger brother of Stephen Bachman, was born in the township on August 31, 1836. He was educated in the township schools and brought up on a farm, and assisted his father until he reached the age of thirty-two years. Having then purchased the Grosscup farm near by, in 1868, he and his brother, Stephen, carried on this farm and their father's in partnership until the father's decease in 1888, when he started to operate his own farm, and this he has continued to do until now. He was a school-teacher for two terms, school director for two terms, and filled the office of inspector of elections and also judge of elections for several terms; also the offices of deacon and trustee of the Lynnville church and was also the local committeeman of the Republican County Committee for ten years.

In 1865, he married Madina Kistler, daughter of Abraham, and they had nine children: George Abraham (married, first, Maggie Werley, who died and had two children; second, Daisy Lauchnor); Henry Grant (married Carrie Kern, five children, one having died); Sarah Polly (married Charles S. Peter, one child); Charles America (married Viola Hartman, three children); Ida Regina (married Henry W. Peter); Thomas Garfield (died 5 years old); William Blaine (married Emily Huber); and a daughter, who died in infancy.

The father of Mrs. Bachman was Abraham Kistler. He was a farmer of Lynn, born Sept. 28, 1815, and died at the age of 75 years. He was married in 1821 to Regina Sittler, daughter of George, of Lynn, born May 15, 1821, and died at the age of 84 years. They had ten children: Catherine, (died unmarried at the age of 70 years); Abraham; Lydia (married Elias Dengler); Jesse (married Caroline Hausman); Elizabeth, (died unmarried at the age of 85 years); Polly (married first, John Huntzinger, and second, Daniel Werley); David (married first, Fannie Huntzinger, and second, Mary Huntzinger, a sister); Sallie (died unmarried



at the age of 64 years); Mary (died at the age of 16 years); and one who died in infancy.

Nathan Bachman, son of Daniel, was born in 1813 and died in 1895. He married Anna Seibert, of Lowhill, who was born in 1821 and died in 1893. They had eight children: Daniel, who died in the U. S. Army in South Carolina in 1863; David; Reuben; William, who died young; Eliza, married Nathan Bittner, of Lowhill; Mary, married David Oswald, of New Tripoli; Lucy, married Lewis Kistler, who died in 1907, in Wichita, Kan., and Amelia, married John Wetherhold, of Balliettsville.

David Bachman, son of Nathan, was born in Lynn township in 1844, where he was reared and educated. He subsequently purchased a 115-acre farm in Lowhill township, which he farmed until his death in 1903. He married Mary, daughter of Jacob Kistler, and had five children: Wilson R.; James, who married Emma Hoffman; Katie, who married George Holben, and two who died in infancy.

WILSON R. BACHMAN, a farmer of Lowhill township, was born Jan. 17, 1873, on the homestead where he resides. He was educated in the township schools and assisted his father in the operation of the farm until his death, since when he has conducted it himself on shares. Mr. Bachman married, in 1907, Emma C., daughter of Daniel and granddaughter of Solomon Fister, of Lynn township, and they have two children: Blaine W., and Mary C., and an adopted child, Russell Peter, son of Newton Peter.

REUBEN BACHMAN, farmer, of Lynn and one of the largest producers of potatoes in the potato region of Lehigh county, was born in Lynn township, on May 27, 1846, where he received his education in the local schools. He was brought up on the farm and assisted his father in farming until he became twenty-seven years old; he then conducted the farm for his father on shares, for twenty-two years. He purchased the homestead, embracing 135 acres, and subsequently secured seven additional acres, which he has since conducted in a most successful manner. In 1905, he purchased the adjoining (Everett) farm of 128 acres. For many years he has given much attention to the raising of great quantities of potatoes, his yield in 1912 having been about 6,500 bushels, for which he realized from sixty to seventy cents a bushel. He is a member of the Lynnville Lutheran congregation which he served as deacon for eight years.

Mr. Bachman was married to Zeniah Peter, a daughter of Aaron Peter, a farmer of Heidelberg, and they had nine children: Oscar; Robert, married Agnes Schook; James, married Catha-

rine Riedy; Edgar; Aquilla; Beulah, married John Heintzelman; Ida, married Edgar Moyer; Anna, married Oscar Moyer, and Lillie.

Paul Bachman, third son of Nicholas, was born Sept. 15, 1773, and died Sept. 3, 1856, in Wadsworth county, Ohio. He had a son, Joel, born 1829, died 1855, who had seven children.

John Nicholas Bachman, a farmer and native of Weisenberg township, fourth son of Nicholas, was born April 18, 1778, and died March 25, 1848. He was a member of the Reformed Church and is buried at Lowhill church. On March 27, 1804, he was married to Dorothy Bausch, who was born March 7, 1783, and died May 31, 1852. They had the following children: Gideon, George, Stephen, Nicholas, Joseph, John, Charles, Solomon, Hettie, who married Gideon Werley; Hannah, who married John Ross, and Lovina, who married Nathan Hoffman.

Stephen Bachman, son of John Nicholas, was born in Lynn, April 10, 1809. By trade he was a shoemaker and this he carried on in connection with farming in Heidelberg where he lived for many years. His homestead is now owned by James Bachman, a grandson, and is tenanted by Robert Bachman, a son of the latter. Mr. Bachman and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg church, which he served as a deacon and an elder for many years. He was one of the deacons at the time the present church was built. He married Maria, a daughter of Daniel Schnider. She was born on April 29, 1819 and departed this life December 5, 1888, in her seventieth year. He died October 16, 1889, in the seventieth year of his age. Their children were: H. Harrison, Leanna, Amandus, Fietta, Owen A. (1841-63), who died in the Civil War, Edward, Lewis, William, Wilson A., Sarah, Emelina, and Louisa.

Edward Bachman, a son of Stephen, and a resident of Pleasant Corner, was born January 27, 1848, and was engaged in the trade of a shoemaker. He was a member of the Reformed Church, and in politics favored the Republican party. His wife was Eliza Werley, who died September 6th, 1903, on her 57th birthday. Their children are as follows: James, who married Isola Krause; Tilghman, who died in 1889, aged 18 years, 6 months, and 9 days; Emma J., who married Harry German, and Granville, who married Mamie George.

H. Harrison Bachman, a son of Stephen, was born April 30, 1835, and died in April, 1902, aged 67 years. His trade was that of a farmer and shoemaker, and he owned a large farm at Best Station. He was a Reformed member of

the Heidelberg church, and served as deacon. His wife was Fietta Snyder, daughter of Jacob and Margaret (Peter) Snyder, of Washington township. Their children are: Henry, of Slatington, and Oliver F., who is a farmer in Washington township.

OLIVER F. BACHMAN, son of H. Harrison, was born in Washington township, August 27, 1871. He began farming in Heidelberg township on the 39-acre farm, where he now lives, in 1903. Of late years he has given much time to truck farming in which he is successful. Mr. Bachman is one of the enterprising farmers of Heidelberg. He is one of the active officers of the Clauss Re-union Association, and in 1912 served it as its president. He served the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg church as a deacon.

On Christmas Day, 1902, he married Miss Anna F. Clauss, a daughter of David Clauss, of Allentown, whose full history appears elsewhere in this volume. Mr. and Mrs. Bachman have these children: Morris E., Clarence D., and Estella F.

Wilson A. Bachman, son of Stephen, was born May 28, 1857. He is a farmer and trucker in Heidelberg, where he owns a 71-acre farm upon which Mr. Bachman built the present house in 1899. The present barn was built by Jacob Peter in 1834. He was employed by his sister, Leanna, the wife of William Smith, for nine years and in 1885 he commenced farming upon the farm, where he since lives. He married first, in 1884, Amanda Hunsicker, who died June 17, 1886, in her twenty-fifth year, without children. He married, second, in 1889, Mary Handwerk and their children are: Elmer O., and Albert S., twins, and Harvey W.

Joseph Bachman, a son of John Nicholas, was born in Weisenberg township. He had a large farm near Lynnvill, in the pursuit of which he was engaged and was also a shoemaker. He is buried at Lowhill church, of which he was a Reformed member and served as deacon and elder. His wife was Elizabeth George, and their children were: Caroline, Julia, Phaon, Joseph, Matilda, Solomon, of Cedar Keys, Florida; Walter, Amandus, of Mahanoy City; Tilghman, and Louisa, who is unmarried and resides at Germansville. All are deceased with the exception of Solomon, Amandus, and Louisa.

Walter Bachman, a son of Joseph, was born in Lehigh county and died at Slatington at the age of 58 years. He is buried in Union Cemetery, at Slatington. His early life was spent near Germansville. At first he was a clerk in the country store and he also taught school for some years. In 1893, came to Slatington, where

he became a slate operator and later was the head of the old Lehigh Slate Company and the famous Pen Lynn quarry. About two years prior to his death, he became an invalid, due to nervous prostration.

He was an active member of the Reformed church at Slatington, having served it as elder. His wife was Catherine, a daughter of David Follweiler, of Lynn township. She is still living and has her home at Slatington. They had eleven children, namely: Rev. Irwin N., a Reformed minister, formerly of Newlin, Columbia county, Pa., now of Northampton, Northampton county; Oliver, who died aged 42 years; Oscar W.; George H., of Allentown; John N. of Slatington; Ida, widow of Howard E. Daum; Carrie, who married Edwin Peters; Morris, of Slatington; Queen, who married E. B. Meitzler; William, of Slatington; and Warren, of Slatington.

OSCAR W. BACHMAN was a slate operator at Slatington, Pa. He was born January 13, 1869, at Germansville, Lehigh county; and was educated in the common schools. From 1884 until the time of his death he had been associated with the slate industry as laborer and operator, and was largely interested in the Bachman Slate Company at Slatington, of which he was secretary. He and family were members of the Reformed Church. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias and Star Council Lodge No. 68, Jr. O. U. A. M., and the Slatington band. Mr. Bachman died July 16, 1911, after an illness of nineteen days with Bright's disease, aged 42 years, 6 months, and 3 days.

In 1891 he was married to Ida P. Wehr, a daughter of Emanuel and Sarah M. (Blose) Wehr, of Best postoffice. They had the following children: Charles S.; Helen M.; Maude C.; Howard E.; Violet S.; Eve I.; Nellie B.; Ralph and Evelyn. Four children preceded him to the grave: Stanley, Robert, Winfield, and Norwood.

GEORGE M. BACHMAN, son of Walter, was born at Lynnpport, Pa., Sept. 1, 1870. He attended the common schools and worked upon the farm until he was twenty years of age, when he engaged in the slate contracting business, and conducted the Old Lehigh Slate Company for a period of three years. Afterward for three years he followed cabinet-making in the states of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. He then returned to Pennsylvania, locating at Slatington where he accepted the position of foreman with the Pennsylvania Natural Slate Blackboard Company, whom he served for three years. Afterward he located at Allentown and for one year was employed by the C. A. Dorney Furniture Company;



and the following two years he was employed by the International Motor Car Company; and after working for one year for the Lehigh Valley Traction Company, he accepted his present position, that of chief engineer with the Allentown Eiderdown Company. Socially Mr. Bachman has membership in the Knights of the Golden Eagles and the Jr. O. U. A. M., and he has the honor of being a past officer in each of these lodges. He was married (first) to Emma Zellner, a daughter of Stephen Zellner. She died in 1900, and is buried at Slatington. They had five children, namely: Sterling; Viola; Hilda; Harold; and David O. He was married (second) on March 7, 1907, to Mabel Link, a daughter of James P. and Mary (Fegley) Link. They have one son, Orestes Bachman.

JOHN N. BACHMAN, son of Walter, and treasurer and general manager of the Bachman Slate Company, at Slatington, was born in Lynnville, June 4, 1872. He came to Slatington with his parents in 1893 and was educated in the public schools. He was graduated from Slatington high school in 1890, the first class to graduate from this institution. He was then engaged in teaching school in Washington township for three terms; was employed as a clerk in a general store at Slatington for six years, after which he purchased a freight line and was thus engaged for three and one-half years. At this time the Bachman Brothers Slate Company was organized, which four years was incorporated under the present name. Mr. Bachman has served as treasurer and general manager ever since. He and his family are members of the Reformed church. Mr. Bachman is connected with the Jr. O. U. A. M. and the I. O. O. F.

On July 4, 1894, he was married to Minnie Merkle, daughter of Theodore and Amelia (Bailey) Merkle, natives of Germany. Their children are: Francis; Gwendolen (who died at the age of thirteen years); Matthew (who died in infancy); Lillian; and Walter. Mr. Bachman and his family reside at No. 118 Railroad street, Slatington, Pa.

Phaon Bachman, son of Joseph, was a farmer in Lynn township. He married Caroline, daughter of Daniel Weaver, and had five children: P. Albert, of Allentown; Tilghman, of Siegfried; Calvin E. M., of Tamaqua; Menno G., of New Tripoli, and Fred W., of Bethlehem.

MENNO G. BACHMAN, son of Phaon, was born June 9, 1866, in Lynn township. He worked on the homestead farm until 1892, then began dealing in cattle which business he followed up to 1898. In 1896 he bought a house and

lot at New Tripoli, Lehigh county, Pa. This house he occupied in 1897.

In 1898 he engaged in the lumber business and operated a portable saw-mill until he became the proprietor of the "New Tripoli House," on November 15, 1905, and he having kept this busy hostelry up to the present time. After he had purchased the hotel, he erected a large modern shed and made a number of improvements to the hotel and store building which was erected by William F. Knauss, in 1887.

In 1910 Mr. Bachman was one of the organizers of the New Tripoli National Bank, of which he has been a director ever since. Mr. Bachman made the plan of the bank building, which was erected in 1910. In 1911 he purchased a dwelling from the Nathan Fritzinger estate, which adjoins his hotel property.

He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. at New Tripoli.

On May 31, 1893, he was married to Ellen F. Kern. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Bachman are members of the Reformed congregation of Ebenezer church at New Tripoli.

The origin of the Bachman family of Pennsylvania is German. Some of the early ancestors came to this country in the company of William Penn, one of them becoming the private secretary of that illustrious man. After William Penn purchased Pennsylvania, he presented to his secretary, Mr. Bachman, the townships now known as Upper and Lower Saucon, and from this place and this person sprang this family. Some of the earlier family records have been destroyed by fire, Indian raids, and other agencies, but one the direct ancestor of the Northampton county Bachmans was Andrew Bachman, who came there from Milford township, now Lehigh county, about the time of the Revolution. He had a large family.

(1) Conrad Bachman, a kinsman of Jacob, the ancestor of the Lynn township family and probably a son of Andrew, was a farmer in Lehigh township for many years. He was also the owner of a distillery, a saw-mill, and a grist-mill, and the large farm which he owned and cultivated was divided after his death into seven equal parts. He helped to build the Stone church at Kreidersville. His death occurred in 1858. He married Catherine Bile, and had children: John, of further mention; William, of further mention; Julia, married Ephraim Fenstermacher; Charles, of further mention; Henry, of further mention; Edward, of further mention; Polly, who married August Spangler. Conrad Bachman had a sister, who married a Klepinger.



(II) John, son of Conrad and Catherine (Bile) Bachman, was born about 1810, and died August 20, 1890; he is buried at Stone church. He lived at Pennsville, Lehigh township, Northampton county, where he owned a large farm. He was also a weaver of carpets and all kinds of woolen materials. He married Julia Fenstermacher, and had children: Hiram, a miller, who was killed by a cyclone in Ohio; Ancenetta, married Henry Unangst; Edwin J., of further mention; Cornelius, is a musician and organ builder at No. 2240 Frankford avenue, Philadelphia; Luzetta, married Andrew Young; Christiana, married Aaron Neuhard; Alfred, at Freeland; Thomas, at Bethlehem; Amanda, married James Simmons.

(III) Edwin J., son of John and Julia (Fenstermacher) Bachman, was born in Lehigh township, June 22, 1841, and died February 8, 1912. He was a farmer and engaged in the general hauling and contracting business at Catasauqua, where the last thirty years of his life were spent. He also had a coal yard and was interested in a stone quarry. He was a Democrat, and a member of the Lutheran church. Mr. Bachman married Priscilla Steward, born January 1, 1845, who resides at Fullerton. They had children: Ammon H., of Catasauqua; William G., of further mention; David Steward, of further mention; Edwin J., died in infancy; Robert A., of Orange, New Jersey; Reuben H., of further mention; Alvin Martin, of further mention; Franklin H.; Susan J., a school teacher at Fullerton; James D., of Newark, New Jersey; Priscilla M., unmarried; Clayton S., of Fullerton.

(IV) William G., son of Edwin J. and Priscilla (Steward) Bachman, was born in Allen township, Northampton county, September 9, 1866. He worked on the homestead farm until the age of sixteen years, at which time his parents removed to Catasauqua, and he was apprenticed to learn the trade of painting and paper hanging at Freeland. He followed this at Catasauqua and Allentown for a time, was then in the government service for two years, residing at Washington, District of Columbia, during this period. He then entered the employ of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey as a painter, and during twelve years was engaged in the business of painting and paper-hanging independently, having eight men in his employ. He became a demonstrator for the Mack Brothers Motor Company in February, 1911, at Allentown. He is a deacon in the Reformed-Lutheran church and active in Sunday school work. In politics he is a Democrat, and has served as constable in East Allen township. Mr. Bachman married,

September 17, 1894, Ida M. Shrie, a daughter of Augustus and Carolina (Gaumer) Moyer, and they have had children: Earl C., Stanley R., and William G.

(IV) David Steward, son of Edwin J. and Priscilla (Steward) Bachman, was born in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, November 1, 1868, and attended the public schools until the age of fourteen years. The next three years were spent in assisting with the general work of the farm, and he then became a machinist apprentice at Davies & Thomas Foundry and Machine Works, at Catasauqua, where he remained from June 11, 1886, until July, 1889. His business career from that time is as follows: Machinist at Cox Brothers & Company, Drifton, Pennsylvania, July, August, and September, of 1889; machinist with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, October, November, and December, 1889; machinist with the Bethlehem Iron Company, at Bethlehem, from December 30, 1889, to April 1, 1890; a trip to Denver, Colorado, and Salt Lake City, from April 1, 1890, to July 15, of the same year; machinist foreman and assistant superintendent in the Tool Department of the Bethlehem Iron and Steel Company from July 16, 1890, to March 1, 1903; real estate and insurance business, Commonwealth Building, Allentown, from March 1, 1903, to May 1, 1904; master mechanic with the Lehigh Car Wheel and Axle Works at Fullerton, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1904 to April 1, 1905; foreman of all the gun work in machine shop No. 4, of the Bethlehem Steel Company at Bethlehem, April 1, 1905, to April 15, 1905; superintendent of the Lehigh Car Wheel and Axle Works, at Fullerton, April 16, 1905, to the present time. Mr. Bachman served as a member of the Water Board Commission from 1903 to 1905, during the last two years being president of that body. His fraternal connection is an extensive one. In May, 1913, he resigned from Porter Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, No. 284, Catasauqua, to become one of the twenty warrant members of Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. & A. M., of Allentown, and became the first Worshipful Master of the lodge, and during the first year raised more than four hundred members; Allen Chapter, No. 203, Royal Arch Masons; Allen Council, No. 23, Royal and Select Masters; Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar; Red Cross of Constantine, Mary Conclave No. 5; Caldwell Consistory, Bloomsburg; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; he is past officers of all these bodies with the exception of the consistory and shrine, through which he is now passing. He had the honorary

degree of Sovereign Grand Inspector General, the Thirty-third and last degree, conferred upon him, this being the last conferred by the supreme council of Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, at Buffalo, New York, in 1908. He is also a member of Camp No. 147, Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Freeland, Pa., and of St. Paul's Lutheran church, at Catasauqua. Mr. Bachman married, November 4, 1894, Carrie R., a daughter of Wilson R. Rice, and they have children: Roland W., a student in the University of Pennsylvania and expects to take up the medical profession; Grace M., a student in the Allentown high school, expects to graduate in 1916. She is accomplished in music.

(IV) Reuben H., son of Edwin J. and Priscilla (Steward) Bachman, was born August 24, 1874. He was educated in the public schools, and learned his trade in the Allentown Wire Mill, working at it for twelve years with the Bethlehem Steel Company. He was a foreman four years; three years a foreman in the Ordnance Department; one year assistant general foreman in No. 2 Machine Shop, where they employed upward of eleven hundred men. Since 1906 he is connected with the Lehigh County Wheel and Axle Company. He has charge of an average of one hundred and ten people, the greater number of whom are skilled mechanics. He is a member of the Lutheran church, teaches in St. Paul's Sunday school and is a prominent member of various church societies. His fraternal and kindred associations are as follows: Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, Knights of Pythias; Camp No. 301, Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Catasauqua; International Association of Machinists; International Association of Merchants and Travelers, No. 5383; Lodge No. 30, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Bachman married, June 10, 1899, Ella E., daughter of Irvin E. and Sarah (Dankel) Huff, and they have had children: Roy David, and Luther Robert.

(IV) Alvin Martin, son of Edwin J. and Priscilla (Steward) Bachman, was born at Catasauqua, October 11, 1876. He learned the machinists' trade with L. F. Grammes, and then worked for them until 1904, at which time he entered the employ of Emil Hirner, with whom he remained seven years. In 1911 he became associated with Mack Brothers, and has charge of the erection crews, these being composed of a number of men in each. His political support is given to the Republican party, and he is a member of the Salem Reformed church. He is also a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America and the Improved Order of Red Men. Mr. Bachman married, February 24, 1900, Sallie S.,

daughter of James and C. Amanda (Paff) Simons, late of Easton. They have no children.

(II) William, son of Conrad and Catherine (Bile) Bachman, was born at Stone Church, and died in his eighty-seventh year. He was a weaver and tanner, and inherited a part of his father's farm, consisting of thirty-two acres. Democratic in politics. He married Elizabeth Cole, and had children: Amandus, of Danielsville, has in his possession the family Bible of Adam Cole; Jacob, of further mention; Sarah, who never married.

(III) Jacob, son of William and Elizabeth (Cole) Bachman, was born in Lehigh township, September 12, 1843. He learned a trade which he followed consistently, and removed to Catasauqua in 1886. He was a Democrat and a member of the Reformed church. He married May 1, 1869, Anna E., a daughter of William and Catherine (Bachman) Albright. Children: William H., of Allentown; Elvin J., of Catasauqua; Preston A.; Harvey J.; Lizzie C., died at the age of four years.

(II) Charles, son of Conrad and Catherine (Bile) Bachman, lived near Seemsville. In his earlier years he had charge of his father's distillery, and later was a laborer and carpenter. He married Christina Fenstermacher, a sister of the wife of his brother John, and they had children: Elemina, married Frank Leh; Sevilla, married George Weidknecht; Amanda, married ——— Laubach; Tilghman; Harrison; Alfred; Miranda, married Richard Smith; Christina, became the second wife of Richard Smith.

(II) Henry, son of Conrad and Catherine (Bile) Bachman, was a farmer on a part of the paternal homestead. He married Polly Buss, and had children: George, Reuben, Samuel, and Sallie.

(III) Edward, son of Conrad and Catherine (Bile) Bachman, also farmed a part of the homestead. He married Caroline Fenstermacher, and had children: Ellen, married Charles Schindler; Mary Ann, married George Denner; Amos; Ebenezer; Meda, married George Frey.

(I) Thomas Bachman was a large land owner, a considerable portion of which he cleared, converting the timber into charcoal, which he sold to good advantage. He was twice married, and had children by each marriage. His first wife was Anna, a daughter of Jacob Fogel, of Catasauqua, and she had children: Mary; Sarah; Stephen; Levi, of further mention; Charles, whose children were: James, Adam, and Mary. Adam Bachman was a school teacher and the organist of the church at Kunkeltown, Pennsylvania.

(II) Levi, son of Thomas and Anna (Fogel)



Bachman, was born December 1, 1840, and is now living retired in East Allentown. Early in life he was a slate roofer and a wheelwright, and came to Hanover township about 1862, and there found employment with Jacob Reichard, who later became his father-in-law. In 1864 he engaged in farming in what is now the Fourteenth ward, and the family still resides there. The frame house was built by Jacob Reichard in 1864, and a stone dwelling which was razed in 1902 was built about the time of the Revolution. The present brick residence was erected in 1878 by Levi Bachman. In 1906 he abandoned farming. In 1876 he had also established himself in the sand business, and now has the largest of this kind in the state of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Reformed church at Schoenersville. Mr. Bachman married, December 24, 1864, Henrietta, youngest daughter of Jacob Reichard, and they had children: Anna E., was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, in 1888, taught fourteen terms in Hanover township, and was the salutatorian at the anniversary of the Philo Society; Osben J., died February 12, 1872, at the age of six years; L. Harvey, was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, died September 29, 1894, at the age of twenty-five years; Lillie A., was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, married C. F. Schadt, of Allentown; Emma H., was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, married H. F. Clemmer, a merchant at Sunbury, Pa.; Ottilie C., died June 2, 1882, at the age of eight years; Marcus A., died December 27, 1903, in his twenty-sixth year, while in his senior year at the Keystone State Normal School; Mary A. J., married James A. Beitler; Milton H., of further mention.

(III) Milton H., son of Levi and Henrietta (Reichard) Bachman, was born in Hanover township, May 14, 1883. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of seventeen years assumed the duties of clerk and manager for his father. In partnership with his sisters and brother—Annie, Mary, and Marcus A.—he leased the Levi Bachman sand quarries in 1900, and after the death of Marcus A., re-leased the quarries with his sisters, under the firm name of M. H. Bachman & Company. This is now the largest sand dealing firm in Lehigh county, and employs twenty people. Until 1911 they had employed thirty-five men, but in that year they installed a breaker and cable excavator, which enabled them to reduce their working force, and yet obtain better results. The land covered by this quarry is sixty-five acres in extent, on the left side of the Allentown and Bethlehem

turnpike. It was formerly the Jacob Reichard homestead. Mr. Bachman is a member of the Lutheran Church, and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Improved Order of Red Men, the Owls, and the Pension society.

George W. Bachman is a well-known resident of Freemansburg, Northampton county, Pa. He married, March 14, 1874, Mary E. Freeman, born September 14, 1854, baptized by the late Rev. W. R. Hofford, March 31, 1873, died in 1911 after a long illness. She was a daughter of the late George W. and Tillie E. (Seip) Freeman, and a sister of Dr. Walter S. Freeman, of Philadelphia, and of Dr. E. J. Freeman, of Freemansburg. The following children also survive her: Jennie, who married William Bachman, of Harrisburg; Laura E., married Davison Clark, of Freemansburg; Ralph S., of Philadelphia; and Roland A., who was living with his parents.

Henry Bachman, born January 31, 1821; died October 5, 1864. John Bachman, born May 10, 1763; died May 1, 1841. Thomas Bachman, born May 11, 1802; died November 13, 1862. Catherine Bachman, born November 10, 1802; died October 9, 1874. Frederick Bachman, born September 18, 1755; died May 14, 1829. Catherine Bachman, born September 8, 1764; died May 5, 1834. Conrad Bachman, born August 10, 1789; died October 24, 1858. Joseph Bachman, born January 18, 1811; died January 5, 1831.

Solomon Bachman was born in Montgomery county, in 1799, and died in 1885. He was engaged in farming near Vera Cruz, Upper Milford township, this county, where he had a large farm which was later owned by Jonas Backenstoe. Mr. Bachman was a staunch Democrat, and never missed an election. He refused the nomination of county commissioner. For thirty years before his death he lived retired at Allentown. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and is buried on Fairview cemetery. He married Fronica Bogert, daughter of John Bogert. She was born in 1800 and died in 1886. They had the following children: Eliza, married Owen Bitting; Sarus; Solomon; Polly, married Levi Sell; Pauline, married John L. Breinig; Henrietta, married William Brunner, and Amanda, who married Rev. William G. Minnich, pastor of St. Paul's church, and lives at East Allentown with Andrew Keck.

Solomon Bachman was born April 8, 1824, on the homestead in Upper Milford township, which he farmed, and later he conducted a general store, at what was known as Gabel's store, in Upper Milford. In 1860 he moved to Emaus



and there carried on the mercantile business until September, 1862, when he moved to Allentown, and conducted a general store on North Seventh street. Previous to this he had one in East Allentown, which was later converted into the Lehigh and Susquehanna depot. The store on Seventh street was abandoned in the latter part of 1864. In 1865 he removed to Philadelphia, and followed mercantile pursuits until his return to Allentown in the fall of 1865. For a time he was a partner with his son, Charles A., in mercantile business at the southeast corner of Ninth and Hamilton streets. He then lived a retired life until his death April 9, 1887. He was an active member of the United Brethren Church.

He was married to Sarah E. Breinig, daughter of John Breinig. She died October 7, 1862, aged 31 years. They had the following children: Charles A., Alfred P., S. Harry, Ella, married to Dr. W. Niles Powell, of Yellowstone Park, Wyoming. Four others died small.

He married, second, Catharine Yost. They had one daughter, Alice, married Emil E. Hirner, of Allentown.

Charles A. Bachman, of Allentown, was born November 9, 1852, on the homestead in Upper Milford township. In 1859 he came with his parents to Emaus, and later to Allentown. At the age of thirteen, he began clerking in stores, and continued until 1869, when he became a member of the firm of B. Stettler & Co. This firm continued until 1870, when J. L. Breinig purchased the share of Mr. Stettler, and the name was changed to Sieger, Bachman & Co. Two years later Mr. Bachman became the sole owner and conducted it until 1875, when he erected a building at the northeast corner of Tenth and Turner, and there conducted a grocery business until he retired in 1898.

He is a member of the U. B. Church, and served as trustee for twelve years. He is a Democrat in politics, and in 1887 was elected to select council, and in 1890 represented the Seventh ward as a member of common council.

He was married in 1872 to Frances Yingling, daughter of Israel Yingling. She died in 1909, aged 60 years. They have the following children: Herbert W., George W., Willis B., Hattie M., married to Fred Rapp, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Fairmount, W. Virginia.

Alfred R. Bachman, of Breinig & Bachman, Allentown, was born in Upper Milford township, October 20, 1857. In 1862 he came to Allentown where he was educated in the public schools and the Allentown Business College. In 1869 he entered the employ of H. Leh & Co. as shipping clerk and later became assistant book-

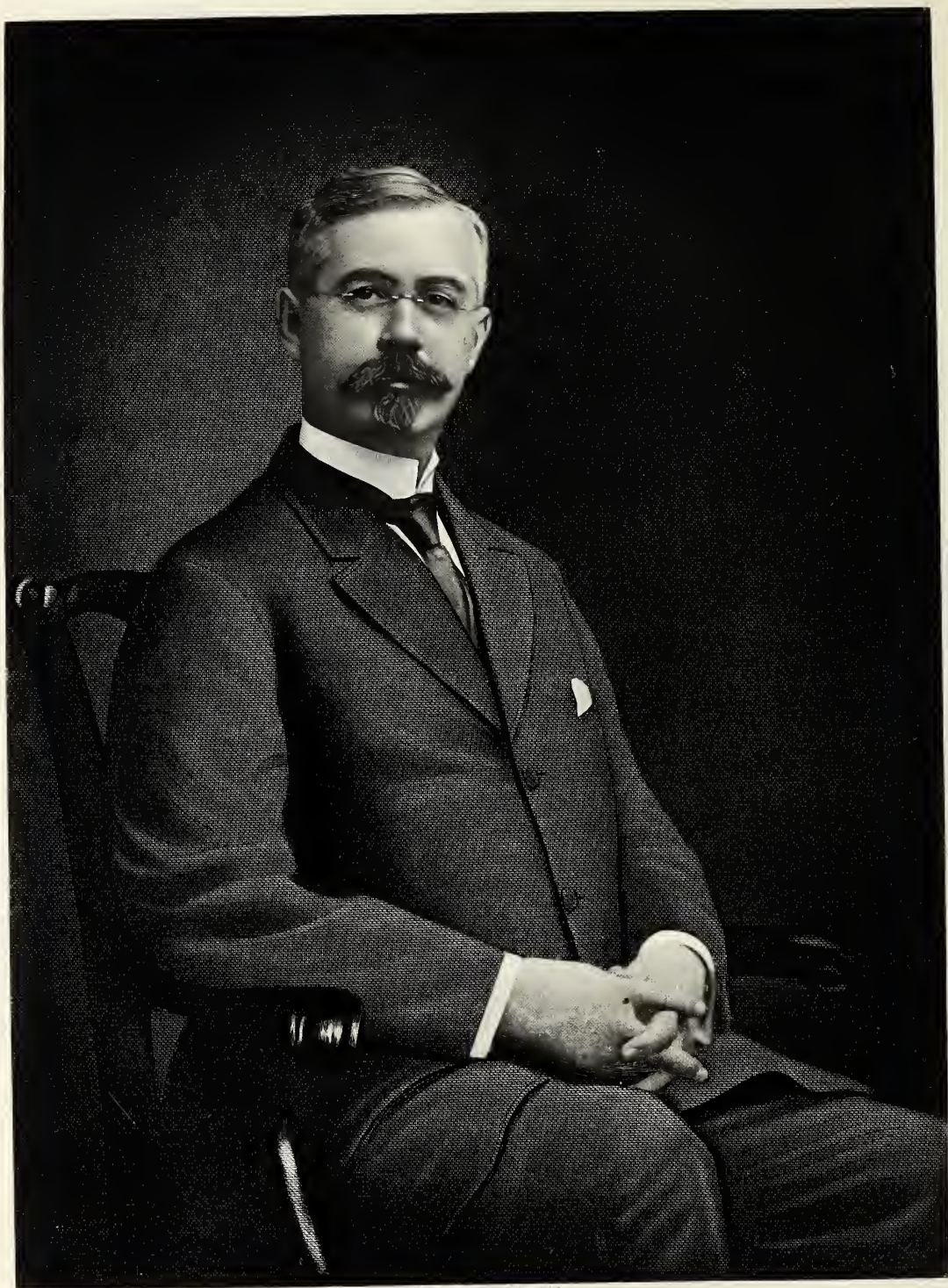
keeper and rose step by step to bookkeeper, which position he held until 1879, when he entered the Allentown National Bank, where he was general ledger clerk, individual ledger clerk and teller, for nine years. In 1888, with George F. Breinig, he formed a partnership under the firm name of Breinig and Bachman. They began at 632 Hamilton street, and continued there until 1891, when they bought the old corner of Weinshemer and Newhard, at which stand they conduct one of the leading clothing houses in the city.

Mr. Bachman is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church; B. P. O. E.; Clover Club; Good Will Fire Company; Democratic Club, and the Saengerbund. In 1882 he represented the Fifth ward in common council, when the city had but six wards. He married, in 1876, Comito T. Albright, daughter of Stephen and Polly (Steckel) Albright. She died in 1882, aged 24 years. They have two children: Florence M., and Edna A.

#### BACKENSTOE FAMILY.

Ulrich Bagenstose, ancestor of the Bagenstose family of Berks county, was probably a passenger on one of the ships that brought Swiss emigrants to Philadelphia in 1743. These emigrants followed the waters of the Schuylkill river until they came to what is now Centre township, Berks county. This district was formerly a part of old Bern township, and among the list of taxables in 1752, we find the name of this pioneer settler. His long will is on record in *Will Book B*, p. 347, in which he disposes of a very large estate. It is written in English, the signature alone being in German, "Ulrich Backenstoss." The document was made Nov. 20, 1793, and was entered for probate Jan. 20, 1794, therefore it is evident that his death occurred between those two dates. In item No. 1 in the will he makes abundant provision for his wife Catherine, among the things mentioned being: "plenty of grapes, from the one-acre vineyard; flax; one gallon apple-jack, one gallon rum; plenty of potatoes; plenty of cider and vinegar, plenty of winter apples and wood, plenty of everything she needs." This she was to receive annually, in addition to money and a home. Other items were: son John to receive the plantation; a son Henry to receive the plantation in Bethel township, Dauphin county; and Jacob to receive the other plantation of 100 acres situated in Bethel township. The will, which also mentioned children Elizabeth, Susanna, Catherine Eckel and Christina Moyer, was witnessed to by Jacob Runkel and Jacob Himmelberger. The executors were John Bagenstose and George Sharff.





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DR. MARTIN JOHN BACKENSTOE, physician, surgeon and banker, was born in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, Oct. 9, 1867. Dr. Backenstoe is a son of Jacob Martin Backenstoe and a grandson of John Backenstoe who is the progenitor of the Backenstoe family of Lehigh county. John Backenstoe the son of Henry Backenstoe and his wife Margaret Fusser, was born in Dauphin county, Feb. 20, 1806, and died at Macungie, April 12, 1881. In his early years he came to Macungie and married Theresa Wescoe, a daughter of Philip Henry Wescoe, and his wife Margaret Stahler. She was born Oct. 8, 1809, and died in 1891. This union was blessed with the following children: Leah M., born in the month of December, 1828, and died Oct. 22, 1909. She was married twice. The first time to Daniel Yeager and a second time to Samuel Schmoyer. Margaret, born January 24, 1830, died in 1893, was also married twice; first to Perry Weaver and a second time to William Yeager. Jonas W., born Jan. 24, 1832, was married to Lovina Kemmerer and resided at Limeport, he died Aug. 30, 1900; Anna Marie, she was born April 2, 1834, and died March, 1858, she was married to Mahlon Artman, of Philadelphia, he was a member of the firm "Artman, Treichler and Company. John Joseph, born Nov. 6, 1836, died January 6, 1896; was married to Sarah Finck, they resided at Emaus; Jacob Martin, the father of Dr. M. J. Backenstoe; Lucinda, born Nov. 6, 1840, is married to William Yeakel, of Emaus; Tillia M., born Dec. 27, 1842, and died June 17, 1852; Elias, born March 6, 1844, and died July 16, 1863; Emma J., born March 24, 1846, is married to Ambrose Schantz and resides along the Shimersville road; William, born Aug. 5, 1850, died in infancy; William Alfred, born Nov. 16, 1852, died Feb. 22, 1908, was married to Louisa Kuntz, of Macungie. Jacob M. Backenstoe, the father of Dr. Backenstoe, was born Oct. 6, 1838, and died at Emaus, December 19, 1895. In 1866 he was married to Mary A. Kemmerer, a daughter of Martin Kemmerer. From 1867 to 1888 he tilled the farm of his father-in-law until he retired and spent his declining years in the borough of Emaus. Mrs. Backenstoe continues to reside at Emaus. This union was blessed with the following children: Martin John, born 1867; William Alfred, born 1871, and Sylvia Tacy, born 1876.

Martin John Backenstoe was born in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, Oct. 9, 1867. He attended the local public schools and later the preparatory department of Muhlenberg College. In 1887 he was graduated from the Chesbrough

Seminary at Rochester, N. Y., and in 1890 received the degree of M. D., from the Medical department of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia. In 1892 he was graduated from the Post Graduate Medical School of New York. In 1895 he took advanced studies in medicine at the Albert Ludwig University in Freiburg, Baden, Germany, and in the General Hospital of Vienna, Austria. Dr. Backenstoe's activities are by no means limited to his profession, he is a citizen of his borough and state, taking a deep interest in whatever pertains to the general welfare of his community. He was one of the organizers, and for the past ten years has been the president of the Emaus National Bank. He is director of the Second National Bank of Allentown, Pa. He was the president of the Emaus Board of Health for upwards of twelve years, is an ex-president of Lehigh County Medical Society, and a member of the following learned societies: Allentown Academy of Medicine; American Medical Association; Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania; National Geographic Society of Washington, D. C.; American Academy of Political and Social Science (Life); Pennsylvania Forestry Association. Dr. Backenstoe was a member of Council of the Borough of Emaus from 1908-1912. In politics he is a Republican and is an adherent of the Moravian church. On November 14, 1893, Mr. Backenstoe was married to Agnes Louise Seler, a daughter of Charles Seler, (1841-1875) and Agnes Doering, a daughter of Adolf Doering, of Mauch Chunk. Mrs. Backenstoe was born Aug. 26, 1875. She had two sisters, Amelia the wife of Francis Kleckner and Maria, the wife of Richard Flexer, D.D.S., both reside at Allentown. Her brother, Dr. Charles A. Seler, died in 1903 and is buried in the Fairview Cemetery at Allentown. Besides the two sisters and a deceased brother she has one half brother, Martin Kemmerer, a clerk in the Second National Bank of Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Backenstoe move in the best social circles and entertain freely. However, they find their chief delight in caring and guiding their interesting and well mannered children: Miers Seler, born Jan. 30, 1896; Gladys Seler, born July 16, 1897; Dorothea Seler, born Jan. 16, 1899; Gerald Seler, born Aug. 27, 1903; and Althea Seler, born July 11, 1907.

#### BAER FAMILY.

The Baer family of Lehigh county are descendant from Melchior Baer, Sr., who is said to have emigrated from Zweibrucken in the Palatinate. The family is said to be an old Palatinate

family whose family seat was at Baeren Huette. It is also related that Peter Von Baer in the distant past was married to a daughter to the count of the Palatinate. The family is originally said to have been of Swiss origin. The parish of Bar, the church in which is said to have been built by Emperor Charles in the fifth century, derives its name from the family of Bar, whose name appears in Swiss history as early as 1245.

Melchior Baer, Sr., apparently made his home with his son, Melchior, Jr., until in 1762, when Melchior, Jr., sold the homestead to his father, Melchior, Sr., and removed to Macungie township. In 1769, Melchior, Sr., sold his homestead to his son, John Peter, whom he in his will, designates as his chief heir at law. The date of his death and that of his wife, Elizabeth, are unknown, both were living in 1769 when they signed, the wife making her mark, the deed of the homestead to the son, John Peter. In his will he mentions besides his wife Elisabeth and son John Peter, a daughter, Elisabeth, and a granddaughter, Maria Turney. No document has been discovered giving a list of their children. However, from various documents and family traditions it would appear that among them were: Melchior, Jr., Johannes, Christophel, Philip Jacob, John Peter, Elisabeth, and Maria, married to Peter Steckel.

Melchior Baer, Sr.; Melchior Baer, Jr.; Johannes and Christophel came across the ocean from the fatherland in the good ship *Phoenix* and landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 30, 1743. They were staunch members of the Reformed Church to which most of his descendants still belong, and in which many of them occupy places of honor, both in the ministry, and among the laity. The descendants of these pioneers have organized a family reunion, which usually holds its reunions at Kutztown. It was one of the first families to hold reunions and one of the few that are chartered.

John Peter Baer, of Heidelberg, usually only written Peter, son and principal heir at law of Melchior Baer, Sr., took up a tract of land in Heidelberg township, prior to that of his brother, Melchior, Jr., who had a tract joining his warranted to himself Nov. 1, 1749. This tract John Peter bought from his father, Melchior, Sr., to whom Melchior, Jr., had sold it in 1762. He was naturalized October 15, 1765, by the court at Philadelphia. From the certificate we learn that he was of foreign birth, had resided for seven or more years in the province and had taken the sacrament of the Lord's Supper within three months. He was married to Elisabeth, a daughter of Michael Hoffman, who in his will, dated Jan. 20, 1777, and pro-

bated Jan. 17, 1787, provides for the following children: John, Michael, Maria, Magdalene, married to Theobold Kennel; Catharine, Elisabeth, married Peter Baer; Julian, married Henry Smithof; and Maria Barbara, married Sameul Wottering.

Peter Baer in his will mentions Catharine Elisabeth, his wife and John Jacob, John Peter, John Henry, Mary Catharine, Anna Margaretha, and Anna Apolenia. For Mary Catherine and Anna Margaretha, minors above fourteen years of age, Samuel Woodring, of Whitehall, was appointed guardian, and for Anna Apolenia, under fourteen years, John Baer, of Whitehall, was appointed guardian on petition of Hans Jacob Baer. Their next friend, Peter Baer, at the time of his death was possessed of considerable wealth. The sons received 70 pounds and the daughters 30 pounds.

Melchior Baer, Jr., was born Jan. 6, 1726, in the Fatherland, and died Feb. 28, 1773; his remains lie buried in a small private cemetery near Zionsville, Lehigh county. There was issued unto him a warrant on Nov. 1, 1749, for two tracts of land situated in Heidelberg township, Northampton county, one tract was called "Neglect," bounded and described as followeth, viz.: Beginning at a marked Black Oak thence by Peter Baer's land North one hundred and thirteen perches to a post, thence by a line of Marked Trees North seventy-seven Degrees, West eight perches to a stone, thence by Michael Hoffman's land, South fifteen degrees, West two hundred perches to a Post, thence by Peter Koshers land South thirty-two Degrees, East eighty perches to a post, thence by vacant land and Peter Baer's land North forty Degrees, East one hundred and sixty-four perches to the place of beginning containing one hundred and forty-four acres and three-quarters and an allowance of six acres for roads," etc. The second tract, "Quiet Enjoyment," surveyed at the same time. It contained fifty-four acres and was bounded by Jacob Thinkey's land and other vacant tracts. The purchase price for these two tracts containing 199 acres and 40 perches, was thirty pounds, nineteen shillings and six pence. In 1762 he sold seventy acres of this original tract to his father, Melchior Baer, Sr., for the sum of sixty pounds. From the deed of Melchoir Baer, Sr., to his son, John Peter, dated Aug. 3, 1769, it appears that Melchior Baer, Sr., purchased all of the above described tracts from his son, Melchior, Jr., for in it the identical tracts called for in the original survey are transferred to his son John Peter Baer, of Heidelberg township, for the consideration of natural love and affection and the sum of one hundred



pounds. The sale by Melchior Baer, Jr., to Melchior Baer, Sr., is witnessed to by Christopher Baer, George Steininger and Heinrich Schleich, and that from Melchior Baer, Sr., to his son, John Peter, by Heinrich Finck and Heinrich Reinhart.

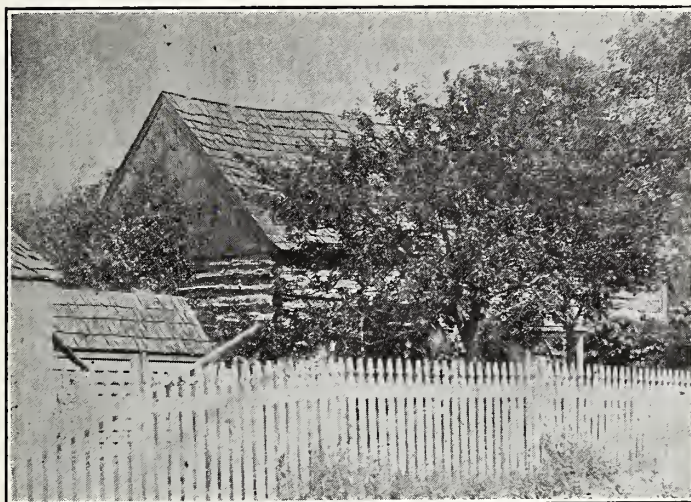
The wife of Melchior Baer, Jr., who is said to have been considerable younger than himself, was Eva Elisabeth Christman, a daughter of Jacob and Eva Margaret Christman, of Lynn township. Jacob Christman died cir 1761, leaving seven children: Eve, the wife of Melchior Baer, George, Jacob, Susanna, John, Philip and Henry.

Melchior Baer, Jr., died Feb. 28, 1773, and was buried in a small cemetery near the Zionsville Reformed church, of which he and his

cungie township, containing 174 acres, and appraised at \$5,610.00; this petition happily contains the names of his children, which were omitted in the will; the following is the order of the names of the children of Melchior Baer, Jr., as they appear of the petition of 1821:

1. Elisabeth, married to Lorentz Kern, who had died prior to the date of the petition, leaving three children, Henry, Margareth, and Elisabeth, married to John Jacoby, and several grand-children, the issue of Magdalena married to — Bittenbender. Lorentz Kern is said to have removed to York county.

2. Regina, married to Jacob Haman, she also had died prior to the petition of 1821, leaving two daughters: Hannah, married to Jacob Mohr, and Margareth. The latter was born October 27,



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family were members. In his will he speaks of eight children, but mentions only two, Jacob and Melchior, to whom he makes special bequests, and he gives the special instruction that his children are to be instructed in the Reformed faith. The executors of the estate, Eve Elisabeth, his wife, Anthony Stahler and Leonard Steininger, encountered considerable difficulty in adjustment of the estate. It is said that some of the money received by the executors was in continental currency, which depreciated in their hands. In 1790, Jacob Lindeman, in right of his wife, Eve Elisabeth, petitioned the court to appoint John Romig, of Macungie, and George Kriebel and James Gill, of Upper Milford, to audit the accounts of the executors. It further appears that from a petition dated Dec. 7, 1821, almost forty years after his death, that Melchior Baer died intestate as to a tract of land in Ma-

1782, and died Jan. 4, 1856. She was married in 1808 to Henry Dubbs, (see Dubbs family) a son of Daniel and Elizabeth Dubbs. He was a potter and about 1835 removed to Hamilton, Butler county, Ohio. They had issue: Michael, David, Jonathan, Salome and Hannah. The latter was married to Carolus Borger, and had four children: Sarah, Anna, David D., Jacob Henry, and Margareth, the wife of Rev. F. W. Berlemann, a Reformed clergyman in Philadelphia. To her were born three daughters, Hannah Elisabeth, Sophia B., and Bertha Agnes, the wife of Rev. William J. Hincke, at one time pastor of Trinity Reformed congregation, Allentown, now professor of Oriental languages in the Auburn Theological Seminary.

3. Margaret, married to Philip Christman.

4. Barbara, March 13, 1760—June 28, 1845, married to Nicholas Stahler (June, 1752—Sept.



24, 1830), the ancestor of most of the Stahlers of Milford, Macungie and Allentown.

5. Susanna (Jan. 1, 1762—Jan. 1, 1846), was married to Philip Walter.

6. Melchior.

7. Jacob.

8. Eva Elisabeth (July 5, 1771—June 29, 1857), was married to Jacob Lindeman, and lived near Kreidersville, Northampton county. They had issue: George, Jacob, Samuel, Polly, Elisabeth and Lydia. An infant son, Henry, born 1775, died the same year and was buried aside of his father.



MELCHIOR BAER, JR., TOMBSTONE.

Melchior Baer, son of Melchior Baer, Jr., and his wife, Elisabeth, nee Christman, was born Feb. 19, 1765. On June 14, 1789, he was married to Catharine Desch. They had ten children. He died Dec. 29, 1850.

Daniel (Nov. 19, 1790—Oct. 28, 1841), was married to Susan Neumoyer (Jan. 15, 1791—Nov. 30, 1871). Both lie buried at the Macungie Reformed church. They had twelve children: Clarissa, married to John Jacoby, and resided in Emaus.

Hannah, married to James Reifinger, and lived in Miles, Ohio.

Susan, married to James Stadler, Allentown, Pa.

Mary, married to Daniel Gerhard, Quakertown.

Kate, married to Stephen Tool, and removed to Ackley, Ohio.

Samuel, married to Mary Shingler, and removed to Schuylkill Haven.

Daniel, married to Lucy Knerr, and lived at Mertztown.

James, married Sarah Lawrence, and removed to Jamesville, Wis.

Seth, unmarried.

John, married to Maria Kauffman, and resided in Upper Milford.

William, married Sarah, and resided in Bethlehem.

Frank, married Sarah Sterner, and removed to Hazleton.

Jacob Baer; see below.

Polly (Dec. 30, 1793—March 30, 1856), was married to Jacob Diefenderfer. (See Diefenderfer family).

Elizabeth (Feb. 22, 1797-1868), was married to Daniel Reiss. They removed to Greenville, Mercer county.

Charles, born April 5, 1799, was married to Susan Stahler. His remains lie buried at Ziegel church, and those of his wife at the Jordan Reformed church.

George, a twin brother to Charles April 5, 1799-1880), was married to Lydia Knappenberger.

Henry (March 6, 1801-March 1, 1892), was married to Catharine Diefenderfer (March 23, 1808-April 20, 1875). Their remains lie buried at the Fairview cemetery, Macungie.

Samuel, who died in his youth.

Susan (June 11, 1804—August 27, 1849), was married to John Maddern (August 18, 1802—June 11, 1878). Their remains lie buried on the Fairview cemetery, Macungie. A daughter was married to James Singmaster, of Macungie. She was the mother of Rev. John Singmaster, D.D., president of Gettysburg Theological Seminary, whose daughter Elsie is the author of many delightful short stories, depicting Pennsylvania German life and character.

Catharine (1808-1881), was married to Moses Diefenderfer, and removed to Mercer county, Pa.

JACOB BAER (Jan. 19, 1795—March 8, 1861), son of Melchior III, was married to Polly Schneider (Sept. 2, 1794—June 25, 1878). Their remains lie buried at the Macungie Reformed church. They had twelve children: 1. Wil-

liam, who died in infancy. 2. Charles (July 2, 1818—Dec. 27, 1906), was married to Elisabeth Burger August 16, 1819—Nov. 5, 1888). They had issue: Sarah, William, Susan, David, Emma, James, Charles. Henry (Sept. 14, 1820—Sept. 4, 1901), was married to Christina Guth, (Oct. 4, 1831—March 12, 1866). They had issue: Ellen, Ida and Adam. Solomon (1823-1873), married Mary Groh, (1826-1906), they removed to Schuylkill Haven and had issue: Henry, Ella, Clinton and Bella. Sarah, married to Henry Bortz, left no issue. Lydia (Nov. 12, 1826—Sept. 28, 1892), was married to Augustus Romig (April 27, 1821—Feb. 2, 1901). They had issue: Mrs. Charles Siegenfus; Aaron, J. Harvey and Edith. Jonas, see below. Susanna (June 29, 1830—Dec. 3, 1902), was married to Tilghman Weaver. Issue: Frank, William, Mary, Emma and Agnes. Hannah (Dec. 19, 1831—March 28, 1858). Maria (Nov. 7, 1833—Jan. 12, 1912), married Leon Romig (March 14, 1826—April 21, 1898). Issue: George F., Calvin, Lilly, Mary E., and Richard. Emma (Sept. 7, 1835—May 23, 1849). David (1838—), married to Elizabeth Groh, and removed to Schuylkill Haven. Issue: Milton, Henry O., George, Mary G., Sallie and Adam.

Jonas Baer, son of Jacob and Polly, nee Schneider, was born June 29, 1828, and died Sept. 17, 1856. He was married to Rebecca Wetzel (March 17, 1830—March 19, 1903), a daughter of John George Wetzel and his wife Rebecca, nee Greismere. He was a blacksmith by trade and lived in Macungie township. Their remains lie buried at the Macungie Reformed church. They had four sons: George E., J. Pierce, J. Augustus, and T. Melchior, who died in infancy. J. Pierce Baer was born 1853, is married to Alvesta Gehris and resides at East Greenville. He is the father of eight children, three of whom died in infancy. Those surviving are: Herbert, married to Elsie McEsetee; Ard, married to Elsie Schlicher, and issue, Mildred, Amon and Ida. Sallie; Meda, the wife of Henry Stauffer, is the mother of one daughter, Elsie, and Anna. J. Augustus is married to Alice Foncannon, and resided at Tiffin, Ohio. He is the father of two sons: William, married to Daisy Wile; and Oliver, married to Carrie Burger.

GEORGE E. BAER, son of Jonas and Rebecca Wetzel Baer, was born August 27, 1851. He attended the rural schools and on March 28, 1869, was confirmed as a member of the Lehigh Lutheran congregation by Rev. Joshua Yerger. On August 15, 1866, he was apprenticed to D. Y. Bittenbender at the Lehigh church to learn the art of stone cutting. Upon the completion of his term of service, he continued his trade

at Boyertown, Berks county, where on Jan. 1, 1876, he was married to Sallie Y. Riegner. In 1877 he removed to Schwenksville, Montgomery county, and in 1906 came to Allentown, where he is engaged in the manufacturing of tombstones and monuments, the junior partner of the firm of Romig and Baer. While in Schwenksville he was postmaster from 1892 to 1896, served as a member of the borough council for six years, and for upwards of twenty years a vestryman in the Lutheran congregation. Mrs. Baer, deceased, was born Oct. 15, 1854, and died Sept. 19, 1892. Her ashes lie buried in the Fairview cemetery, Boyertown, Pa. To Mr. and Mrs. Baer were born two daughters, Flora R., born Feb. 12, 1878, and Iva R., born Sept. 20, 1885. She is married to Franklin Chandler and resides at Laurel Springs, N. J. On Oct. 28, 1909, he was married to Emma Hoxworth, of Allentown. Mr. Baer takes an active interest in the Baer family reunion, and has gathered much valuable family data. Socially he enjoys fellowship in the following organizations: Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; I. O. O. F., No. 367; K. of G. E., No. 104; P. O. S. of A., No. 387; K. of F., No. 51; and B. of A., No. 117.

John Baer, son of Daniel and Susan Neumoyer Baer, was a blacksmith by trade, and lived at Shimersville, and later at Vera Cruz, where he died in 1864, aged 36 years, and was buried in the Zionsville Reformed cemetery. He is said to have been a great hunter. His widow, Anna Maria, nee Kaufman, was married again to Charles Ortt, and resides on the old homestead and have one daughter, Lydia. To Mr. and Mrs. Baer were born four children: Sarah Anna, who died in infancy; Emmelina, the wife of John Yeakel, a fruit grower near Coopersburg; Susanna, deceased, and Oscar M.

OSCAR McCLELLAN BAER was born in Upper Milford township, Nov. 29, 1862. He was raised on the farm and received a common education. After his marriage in 1888 to Amelia E. Buckley, born Oct. 29, 1868. He worked in the wire mill at Allentown until in 1896, when he engaged in the baking business. At present he has two teams supplying his customers. He and his family are members of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ congregation in which he has served in the capacity of class leader, exhorter and treasurer of both congregation and Sunday school. They reside in their home at 518 North Eighth street. To them were born the following children: Verna, born August 11, 1891, died Feb. 25, 1892. Cyrus, born January, 1893, died April 14, 1899. John George, born May 2, 1900. Paul and James, twins,



born July 12, 1904, of whom James died April 19, 1909. Ozeola born Jan. 27, 1909, and died Feb. 4, 1909. Kenneth Willard, born Oct. 7, 1910.

GEORGE H. BAER, son of Henry Baer, was born in Allentown, in August, 1861, and educated in the public school and Business College; graduated in 1880, then took a position as book-keeper; then was with E. J. Schneck for five years. He then established the G. H. Baer Furniture Company, which burned down. He then (1893) entered into partnership with his brother Charles, and they engaged in the manufacturing of furniture at Second and Ridge streets.

George H. was the traveling salesman for the company; was its first president, and through his efforts, a large business was built up. At his death, Nov. 15, 1909, the business was continued for several years by his widow and Charles Baer.

In 1913, Mrs. Baer planned and made extensive improvements to her home at 1036 Walnut street, enlarging it from two to four stories. She was educated in the public schools and the Allentown College for Women, and has much business ability; is progressive and possesses an artistic taste.

Mr. Baer married, April 2, 1882, Hester W. Trexler, daughter of Daniel Trexler. They had one son, George F. Baer, who was born Sept. 4, 1883, educated in the public schools of Allentown, graduated from medical school at Philadelphia in 1905; was for some time connected with a Philadelphia hospital, and is now practicing in Pittsburgh, Pa. He married Anna P. Reidpath, Nov. 15, 1912. Mr. Baer was a member of Bethany U. E. church, Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203, Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., A. A. O. M. N. S., Rajah Temple, Reading, and Modern Woodmen of America. Mr. Baer was also at one time a member of the common council from the Third ward. In addition to his wife and son, is survived by two brothers, Charles and Frank, both of Allentown.

CHARLES H. BAER, son of Henry Baer, of Allentown, was born Feb. 27, 1874. He was educated in the public schools of the city, graduating from the high school in 1889, after which he attended Muhlenberg College. In 1891, he entered into the employ of the G. H. Baer Furniture Company and continued until in 1904, when he became a member of the firm. In June, 1905, he was married to Annie H. Lackey, a daughter of John and Annie (McCracken) Lackey, who had removed from Meadville, Pa., to Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Baer reside in a beautiful home

at 25 North Fifteenth street. They are both members of St. John's Lutheran congregation. Mr. Baer enjoys fellowship in Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. E.

Jacob Baer, the son of Melchior, Jr., was born near Macungie, where he followed the trade of carpet weaver, dying about 1858, aged upwards of eighty years. He is buried at Zionsville. Among the children of Jacob was Manasses Baer, who was born near Macungie, March 17, 1826. He followed the shoemaking trade for some years, whereupon he turned to farming in Upper Milford township. Two years previous to the building of the Perkiomen Railroad he sold his farm and bought a farm in York county, whither he removed and died at Newberrytown, York county, in 1903. While in York county he also followed the drover business and had served as school director. He was a Lutheran. Mr. Baer was married to Lucetta Niederauer, (died March, 1900, aged 76 years), about 1840. Her father's name was Jacob, who was born in Upper Milford township about 1792, and served in the war of 1812. When the British attempted to land troops below Fort McHenry, he was wounded in the leg. Returning home about a month, he then enlisted for life in the U. S. Marine service, dying in 1850, and was buried at sea. His only children were Caroline, who died unmarried, and Lucetta. To Manasses Baer were born these children: Susan, wife of James Gaumer, of Macungie; Sarah, wife of Samuel Mack, of Philadelphia; Mary, wife of Robert Byers, of Newburytown, York county; Joseph; Lydia, wife of Robert Shilly, of Newburytown; Stephen, deceased, married to Emma Friel, of Philadelphia; Rebecca, wife of William Ebele, of Newburytown, York county; Henry; of Pottstown; William, deceased; Moses, who went West and resided in Nebraska.

JOSEPH BARR, son of Manasses Barr, was born at Vera Cruz, March 14, 1852. With this generation, the spelling of the name was changed from Baer to Barr, due to the insistence of an English school teacher. He attended the public schools to about sixteen, worked two years on his father's farm. In 1870 he learned the carpenter trade, at which he worked for five years, and thereupon for same time at machinist trade. Afterwards for about five years he was an engineer, then boss at the Emaus furnace for two years. Removing to Pottstown, he built the rolling mill for Hope Iron Company and when they sold their plant, he was employed by the Warwick Iron Company as chief engineer. Returning to Emaus, he prepared plans and constructed the Emaus Pipe Foundry, returning again to Pottstown, he built the Ellis-Lessig iron mills.



Coming to Allentown, Pa., August 14, 1888, he became interested in the cement business, being associated with the Lehigh Portland Cement Company. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, Republican in politics, member of I. O. O. F., Unity Encampment and Rebekah, No. 72, I. O. O. F., and B. P. O. E. He was married to Mary (died in 1900, aged 42 years), a daughter of James and Anna Wasser in 1869, and second time to Aretta, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Seitzinger) Traver, Sept. 9, 1903. His children are: Ellen, wife of Frank Stahl, of Philadelphia; Harvey, married to Sallie Ellis, of Harrisburg; Annie, wife of Harry Endy, of Pottstown; Oliver, married to Mary Davis, of Reading; Harry, single, of Pottstown; Sadie, wife of Harry Weisner, of Pottstown; J. Robert, of Allentown.

J. Robert Barr, son of Joseph, was born at Pottstown, Pa., Sept. 5, 1890. Educated in the public schools and later was graduated from Nazareth Hall (1907); thereupon he became electrician and chemist for the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, serving for about four and a half years, when Mr. Bachman and himself began their present business. He was married, Sept. 15, 1910, to Laura Wirthlin, a daughter of Frank and Laura (Wetzel) Wirthlin, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

JOHANNES BAER, sometimes written John Adam Baer, settled near Claussville, in Weisenberg township. He was a blacksmith by trade. In 1750 he was a member of the Reformed Consistory of the Ziegel church, and together with the pastor and other members of the Reformed Consistory, signed the agreement drawn up between the Lutheran and Reformed congregations at the dedication of the church. Those who signed the articles of agreement on behalf of the Reformed congregation were: Rev. Philip Jacob Michael, Gideon Grimm, Nicholas Moyer, Peter Haas, George Adam Leibelsperger, Melchior Kloss, Johannes Baehr and Daniel Knauss. In 1754 when the Weisenberg church was erected, he became a member of that congregation and was buried in the cemetery there at his death. His tombstone, a slate stone, has partly disintegrated, but a part of the name and the age were still legible in 1912. He was 48 years of age and died some time prior to Dec. 21, 1758, when the court appointed Peter Grow, of Weisenberg township, guardian for the eldest son, John, and Daniel Knows guardian for the other three children, Barbara, Jacob and Adam. At the time John and Barbara were above fourteen years of age, and Jacob and Adam under fourteen years of age. He was accordingly born about 1720. In 1762 there was a distribution of the estate made, as follows: to the widow, 10 pounds, 5 shillings and 2½ pence; to John, the

eldest son, a double portion, 14 pounds, 2 shillings and 2 pence; and Barbara, Jacob and Adam, 7 pounds, 6 shillings and 1 pence each. The widow, Regina, married Peter Grow, Jr., the guardian of the eldest son, John. He was a son of Peter Grow, Sr., who lived on an adjoining tract and who died prior to March 20, 1759; when his son Simon was appointed executor of the estate. Peter Grow, Sr., and his wife Magdalena, were born the following children: Simon, Peter, George Adam, Anna Margaret, wife of Michael Humble; George Jacob and Anna Amelia, the latter two were under 21 years of age at the death of their father. The Johannes Baer homestead consisting of 260 acres, was not disposed of, but was kept for John, the oldest son, who later came into full possession of it. From an entry in the Orphans' Court at Easton, March 18, 1776, it appears that the second distribution of two hundred and twenty pounds was made, which was divided among Mrs. Peter Grow, Jr., the widow; John Baer, Jacob Baer, Henry Fetter, in right of his wife, Barbara, and John Adam Baer.

Jacob Baer, the second son of Johannes, was born 1745 and died in 1810. His wife's name was Elizabeth; she was born March 5, 1748, and died June 16, 1815. Her ashes and those of her husband repose at the Lowhill church. He obtained the old homestead and also several large tracts east of the Adam Baer farm. He is said to have owned over five hundred acres of land and to have given to each of his six sons a farm. He was the father of twelve children: 1. Jacob, who lived and died in Weisenberg. 2. Daniel, was married May 8, 1810, to Mariga Ziegler, and resided in Weisenberg township, near a hill known as the Hausenberg. Among his children were: John, of Rockland; Daniel, David, Philip, Benjamin, Maria, Catherine. 3. John Adam. 4. Johannes, born Nov. 1, 1773, and removed to Adams county. 5. Henry, born Feb. 28, 1778, was married to Elisabeth Hoffman, August 9, 1801, and removed to Luzerne county. 6. Peter (Black). 7. Regina, her sponsors were her grandmother, Regina Baer and her second husband, Peter Grow, Jr., she was married to Johannes Hartman, Feb. 18, 1800. 8. Anna Margaretha, was married to Frederick Holben, March 15, 1796. 9. Catherine Elizabeth, born June 23, 1784. 10. Maria, married to Jacob Kistler. 11. Elisabeth Barbara, born June 20, 1776. 12. Elisabeth, married to ——— Gackenbach.

John Adam Baer was born 1772 and was married to Susanna Knerr, a daughter of Abraham Knerr, Jr., May 12, 1795. In 1812, he removed from Weisenberg township to near Kutztown.

Berks county, and later to Mercer county. He was the father of ten children: Jonathan, who resided in Greenwich township, Berks county; John, who also lives in Greenwich township, of whom Professor Samuel A. Baer is a grandson, and Joseph A. Baer an instructor at West Point Military Academy, a great grandson; Peter, who lived and died at Racine, Michigan; Charles, (see Academy, a great grandson; Peter, who lived and died at Racine, Michigan; Charles, (see below); Solomon, whose descendants reside at Akron, Ohio; Eva, married to Jacob Schollenberger; Betsy, married to Solomon Stoyer, of Greenville, Mercer county; Susanna, married to Samuel Smith, of Greenwich township, Berks county; and Lydia and Polly, who lived and died at Lockport, New York.

Charles Baer was born in Weisenberg township, July 13, 1806, and was married to Anna Carl, (Sept 28, 1810- ), a daughter of George and Barbara Keefer Carl, Oct. 28, 1832. This union was blessed with nine children: Sara Ann, Jonathan, Benjamin, Henry, William, George, Anna, Elisabeth, Hette Ann, and Amanda C.

Peter Baer, son of Jacob Baer, of Weisenberg, and grandson of Johannes Baer, was married to Catharine Merkle, of Upper Macungie, Oct. 13, 1805, by Rev. John Henry Helfrich. He was known as "Black Peter," on account of his swarthy complexion in distinction from Red Peter, (Peter Baer, son of Adam). They resided on the old homestead lately owned by John George. He died in 1846, aged 60 years, 4 months and 6 days. This union was blessed with two daughters, Polly and Judith.

Polly was married to Samuel Smith, of Upper Macungie. They had the following children: Eliza, married to Jonas Bastian; Stephen; Sarah, married to Harmen Mohr; Samuel; Louisa; Mary, married to Harry Bortz, and Catherine, married to Charles Hartzell.

Judith was married to Daniel Derr, of Weisenberg. They resided on the old homestead and to them were born four children, two of whom died. Those still living are Phaon, of Philadelphia, and Amandus, residing near Wescoesville.

John Baer, son of Johannes, settled in Windsor township, Berks county. Barbara married Henry Fetter, and resided in Allentown. Adam Baer, son of Johannes, settled a few miles northwest of the old Hans Baer homestead in 1773, on a tract of land still in possession of his descendants. To him and his wife Margretha were born twelve children; seven sons and five daughters. John Peter, known as Red Peter. He was born Feb. 15, 1779, and died May 12,

1853, and was married to Magdalena Merkel, May 9, 1897. She was born June 24, 1780, and died July 9, 1859. Both lie buried at the Ziegel Reformed congregation. He received the old homestead and was the father of the following children: Benjamin, Joseph, David, Solomon, Polly and Hannah, John Paul, (1784-1829); Henry, born Jan. 14, 1786, and died May 13, 1840, he was married to Margretha Hunsicker; their ashes lie buried at the Unionville church; Jacob, who removed to Mercer county; Abraham, who settled in Bern township, Berks county; John Adam; Jonathan, born May 6, 1794, and died Dec. 6, 1841, was married to Susanna Kreutz; Magdalena was married May 9, 1797 to Jacob Heilman; Elisabeth was born March 22, 1776, and was married to John Wasum; Anna Margretha, married Feb. 5, 1805, to Jacob Walbert; Maria, married to John Schmeck; and Catherine, married to Peter Schmeck.

Jonathan, son of Adam, removed to Whitehall township, where he died and was buried at the Unionville church. He was the father of five children, among whom were: Jonas, John and Abraham.

Jonas Baer, the third son of Jonathan Baer, was born at the homestead in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Aug. 13, 1818. Upon attaining young manhood he removed to Weidasville, Lowhill township, and located on the old Peter Seibert farm, which he purchased in 1840. He cleared some woodland and also operated an apple-jack distillery which was on the property. At that time wheat sold for three dollars a bushel, and applejack at from eighteen to twenty-five cents per gallon, and by his extensive operations along both these lines he accumulated sufficient money to become the proprietor of three farms adjoining each other, the Seibert, the Andrew Knerr and the Daniel Clauss farms. He operated the Seibert farm for twenty-seven years, and then moved on the Clauss farm in Weidasville, where he died January 11, 1869.

He was married to Lydia Peters, of Washington township, Lehigh county, and they were the parents of the following named children: Phaon, born April 28, 1839; Lewis, born Oct. 16, 1841; and John P., born May 3, 1850. The father at his decease, bequeathed each of his sons a farm, and Phaon and Lewis still possess the original tracts.

Lewis Baer, second son of Jonas and Lydia Baer, has resided all his life on the farm where he was born. He received the usual education afforded by the common schools of the community, and during the Civil War served under Captain Charles Keck, of Allentown, Pa., in Com-



pany I, 41st Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was honorably discharged from the service of the United States July 13, 1863.

He married Julia Ann Greenwald, a daughter of Reuben and Sallie Holben Greenwald, on Dec. 18, 1864, and they were the parents of the following children: Albert J.; Charles R., Schoenersville; Benjamin, deceased; William H., Bethlehem; Franklin I., Wenersville, and Granville P., at home.

ALBERT J. BAER, eldest son of Lewis and Julia Ann Baer, was born Sept. 25, 1865. He received a good common school education, and assisted with the work on the farm until he was 18 years of age. He left home in order to learn the blacksmithing trade at Levi Werley's coachmaker shops near Claussville, Lehigh county, and when his apprenticeship expired in the fall of 1886, he entered the horseshoeing shop of David S. Wismer, the "Yankee" horseshoer of Richlandtown, Bucks county. After serving in this connection for some time, he accepted a position with Mr. Owen Grube, of Hellertown, and subsequently located in Scranton, Pa., where he secured employment in the blacksmith department of the Scranton Buggy and Wagon Company. The company, appreciating his efficiency, soon promoted him to a better position in their repositories. During the typhoid epidemic in 1888, both Mr. and Mrs. Baer were among the many persons who suffered from the disease, Mr. Baer having had three attacks. Owing to these distressing circumstances, they determined to leave the city to return to their native county, and in the following year he established a horseshoeing and general jobbing shop at New Smithville, Weisenberg township. After a period of seven years he removed to Shoenersville, Lehigh county, which offered better facilities in every way for his line of business. In addition to the successful management of a coach and wagon-making shop and a horse-shoeing shop, Mr. Baer pursued a course of lessons on the anatomy of the foot and leg of a horse, he also took lessons on cast steel, and how to work it into tools of various shapes and kinds and successful dressing under the supervision of Prof. W. S. Casterlin, of Pittston, Pa. In 1899, in Shoenersville, he introduced a cold tire-setting machine, which was the first machine of its kind operated in Eastern Pennsylvania. Mr. Baer also invented some very labor-saving tools for blacksmiths, of which the most noted is the "Baer Easy Hoof Parer." The patent for this invention was issued Jan. 2, 1900, and among the many useful articles he invented, this was the only one for which he received a patent. Like his father, Mr. Baer is actively connected with the Reformed Church,

and casts his vote with the Democratic party. Socially he is affiliated with the order of Golden Eagles, and the Junior Order of American Mechanics, having filled all the chairs of the latter organization.

Mr. Baer married, June 10, 1888, Ella J. Deibert, of Schnecksville, Lehigh county, daughter of Solomon Deibert, and they are the parents of two children: Minerva Cecilla, born May 9, 1893; and Florence Evelyn, born Sept. 14, 1900.

JOHN E. BAER, farmer of Lowhill, was born Dec. 18, 1874, on the farm which he owns and operates, situated on the road from Schnecksville to Claussville, near Weidasville. He was reared on the place and he received his education in the township school and also in a private school at Schnecksville, until he reached the age of twenty-two years. Then he embarked in the general store business at Weidasville and carried it on successfully for seventeen years, till April 1, 1913, when he bought the homestead of 128 acres, sold the store business to his brother, and since then has followed farming there.

While still a boy he took up the study of music and became a proficient teacher and vocalist. Since 1900 he has filled the position of organist and choir leader of the two congregations at the Morgenland church and since 1907 also at the Lowhill church, and for four years he served as superintendent of the Sunday school in the Highland school building. He is prominently identified with the Baer Family Reunion, having shown much interest in its proceedings since its organization.

In 1897 Mr. Baer was married to Letitia C. Ritter, daughter of Aaron, of Egypt, and they have six children: Earl, Lydia, Erma, Philip, Eileen and Jerome.

His father, Phaon Baer, was an active farmer in Lowhill for many years. There he served as a school director and treasurer of the Board of Supervisors; also as deacon and elder of the Morganland church, now filling the office of trustee. He has lived in retirement at Guths-ville, in South Whitehall, since 1896. He was married to Mary Buchman, daughter of Nathan, farmer of Weisenberg, and they had seven children: Sarah Lydia, who was married to Calvin Moyer, and died in 1901; Helena, married Edwin Klotz; Annie was married first time to Levi Grim and second time to Samuel Ritter; Alice married Elias Grim and died 1898, aged 27 years; Ida married William Klotz; Milton married Mary Grim; and John E. His grandfather was Jonas Baer, farmer of Lowhill, and his great grandfather, Jonathan Baer.

Nathan Buchman, farmer of Weisenberg, was



married to Polly Hausman, and they had four children: Dr. Daniel P., deceased, was married to Miss Snyder; Frank, married Sarah Greenwald; Sallie, married Henry Dietrich, of Upper Macungie; and one died in infancy.

Aaron Ritter, father of Mrs. John E. Baer, was a farmer of Egypt, married to Teresa Kohler. They had seven children: Clara, married Reuben Miller and died 1903, aged 36 years; Ann, married Oliver Frantz; Laura, married David Schneck; Viola, single; Letitia; Phaon, married Geneva Smith; and Edward, married Annie Troxell. He died in 1909, aged 73 years, and his wife died in 1913, also aged 73 years.

Her grandfather was John Ritter, who followed carpenter and farmer near Laury's, in Whitehall, and was married to Catharine Peter, of the same place, and they had eight children: Elias, married Sarah Hoffman; Aaron; Tilghman, married Susanna Frey; Alfred, married Henrietta Fisher; Mary, married Henry Frantz; Lydia, married David Esch; Elizabeth, married Jacob Diehl; and Eliza, married Lewis Millhouse, living in Illinois.

PETER F. BEAR, farmer of Weisenberg township, was born April 23, 1863, on the homestead plantation of two hundred acres, where he now lives, and was reared on the place while attending the public school and he continued with his father until 1886. He purchased the farm after his marriage in 1885. He followed teaching six terms, from 1882 to 1888. He officiated as a school director for three terms, as supervisor for one term and also on the election board in the several positions; and he served as a deacon and elder at Ziegel church, and also as one of the building committee in the erection of the present building. He is a member of the Reformed denomination. In politics he is a Democrat and has served as local committeeman.

Mr. Bear was married in 1885 to Alice Weida, a daughter of Lewis, a farmer of Weisenberg, and they have four children: Anna A. (graduated from the Keystone State Normal School in 1911, and taught public school seven terms in Weisenberg, and was on Dec. 25, 1913, married to Milton T. George); Francis G. (graduated from same Normal school in 1912, and taught public school in Lowhill two terms); Ella M. (attending same Normal school); and Edna Ruth.

William Bear, his father, was a farmer and owned the same plantation. He served as a school director, election officer, Democratic committeeman for many years, and delegate to county conventions; and also the several positions in the vestry of the Reformed denomination at Ziegel church. He was tax collector for many

years. He was married to Caroline Werley, a daughter of Jonathan, a farmer of Lowhill, and they had five children: Peter, Phaon, who died when four years old; Louisa, who died when young; Rosa A., married Benedict Weiss; and Sybilla, married Phaon Bear.

His grandfather was Benjamin Bear, a farmer, married to ——— Bear, a daughter of Jacob Baer. They had twelve children: William; Jonas, Levi, Edwin, Phaon, Peter R., Charles, Elias, Sarah, married Samuel Wanamaker and moved to Ohio; Caroline, m. Amos Moyer, Mrs. John Kuhns, Julian, m. Jonas Moyer. Benjamin was a son of Peter, farmer of Weisenberg, where Peter F. now resides. Peter was a son of Adam, who was assessed in the township in 1781 for the property now occupied by Peter F.

Lewis Weida, the father of Mrs. Peter F. Bear, was a farmer of Weisenberg, and died in 1907, aged 69 years. He was married to Sarah Bausch, a daughter of George, of Lynn, and they had three children: Mary, married to James Bear; Sarah, married to John Vought; and Alice A., she died in 1906, aged 71 years. And Mrs. Bear's grandfather was Joshua Weida, farmer of Lynn, married Rebecca Reinhart, and they had six children: Lewis, Owen, Levi, Sarah, married Reuben Kunkel; Kitty Ann, married Levi Hunsicker at Saegersville; and Annetta, married Lewis Fenstermacher. See sketch of Weida family.

#### CHRISTOPHEL BAER.

Christophel Baer, known as Stoffel, settled in Whitehall township. He had a tract of over five hundred acres patented to himself and is said to have named it Baren Hutte. The original homestead has ever since been in possession of his descendants. The present owner is Henry C. Baer. The old house, used as a place of refuge and defense during the Indian uprisings, is still standing. He was married to Catherine Mingert, a daughter of Johannes Mingert, of Boelweiler, in Zweibrucken. In his will probated 1786, he bequeathed to each one of his children a family Bible and describes even the kind of print they are to have. He was the father of six children.

1. Heinrich, removed to Bruder Valley township, Somerset county, Pa., prior to 1800. His descendants are said to have migrated westward.

2. Melchior, received the old homestead on which he lived and died. He had four children: Henry, Catherine, m. Isaac Harmony; Susanna, m. Christian Derr; and Magdalena, m. Abraham Derr.

3. Johannes, married to Susanna Belgert. He sold his holdings in Whitehall and removed to Alleghany township, Maryland, where he died

without issue. His widow later resided in Romney county, Virginia.

4. Salome was married to William Kern, of Heidelberg. They had a number of children of whom Christopher was the oldest.

5. Appolonia, died unmarried.

6. John Jacob was born in 1761 on the old homestead. He was made the executor of his father's will. In 1800 he removed to a farm near Cumberland, Md., where he died in 1823. He was twice married having four sons with the first wife and two with his second.

One son of the first marriage was John Jacob, he lived in and died in Somerset county. One of his sons, Daniel, died there in 1900 at the age of eighty-five.

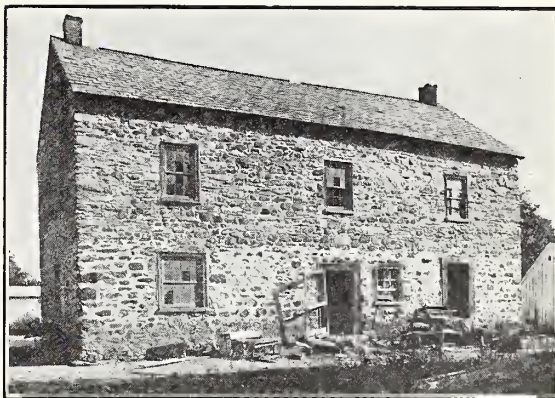
Major Solomon Baer, the youngest son of John Jacob, was born near Unionville in 1794. He removed with his parents to Maryland in 1800 and in about 1816 removed to a farm in Somerset county. He died in Somerset in 1812, aged 88 years. To him and his wife Anna Maria were born four sons: Henry, an editor, contracted consumption in the Union Army and died; the late ex-judge William J. Baer; ex-Judge Herman Baer, of Somerset, and George F. Baer, late president of the Reading Railway.

HENRY C. BAER, the present owner, was born on the old homestead, April 28, 1854. He was educated in the public schools and the Keystone State Normal school. After clerking for several years in the store at Guth's Station, he engaged in farming on the old homestead. The farm comprises about one hundred acres. The homestead originally comprised about five hundred acres. Henry Baer, the grandfather of the present owner divided the farm into three tracts. The old house erected by Christophel Baer is still standing. The above illustration shows it in its present condition. It was, as may be seen from the reproduction, originally only one story high. During the Indian uprisings it was frequently used as a house of refuge for the near-by settlers, hence it is frequently spoken of as the Indian Fort. Henry C. Baer is a Democrat in politics, and has served as school director for a period of seven years. He and his family are members of the Jordan Reformed church, where his father and grandfather lie buried.

In 1877, he was married to Sarah M. Worman, a daughter of Abraham and Mary (Roth) Worman. To them were born two children: Robert, a farmer in North Whitehall and Eva S., a school teacher. She was graduated from the township high school in 1905, after which she attended the Schnecksville academy and prepared herself for the profession of teaching. Since 1907 she has been teaching in her native

township. She takes an active interest in the Ironton Sunday school.

Henry Baer, son of Melchior and grandson of Christophel Baer, lived on the old homestead in Whitehall township. In connection with the farm he also conducted a distillery, which stood near the Coplay creek, three hundred feet south of the present dwelling. The building was torn down in 1900 and some of the stones were used in the erection of the new farm house. In this old distillery there had been preserved in a small chest many old documents and papers. This chest with its precious documents was destroyed by the present owner. What a pity, that this present generation should have been so careless, with the papers and documents of their ancestors. Let this be an admonition to others who may read the pathetic story that they destroy not the sacred documents of their forefather's but in honor to them preserve them, either



CHRISTOPHER BAER HOMESTEAD.

by presenting them to some family association or historical society or carefully treasuring them, themselves. He was the father of four sons: Peter; Henry; Adam and John; and five daughters: Magdalena, who was never married; Hannah, married to Owen Neihard; Judith, married to Daniel Levan; Sallie, married Elias Kennel, and Eliza, married to Mr. Leiser.

Adam Baer, son of Henry, was a lifelong farmer and resided on the old homestead where he lived retired many years. To him and his wife, Salanda Stopp, were born the following children: Willoughby; Henry C.; Lewis, who resides at Paunee, Ill.; Amanda, married to Edwin Oswald, of Schnecksville; Sarah, married to Tilghman Weaver and Elemina, married to Henry Fenstermacher.

Willoughby J. Baer, son of Adam, lives retired on a part of the old homestead. He was born Sept. 5, 1840 and was a shoemaker by trade



In 1876, he purchased a part of the original Baer tract, which he continued to till, until 1912, when he retired and was succeeded by his son-in-law. He built the house in 1886 and the barn in 1890. He is a Democrat in politics and a member of the Jordan Reformed congregation. He is married to Emma Weaver, a daughter of Tilghman Weaver. They have issue: Harvey of Whitehall; Katie J., married to George Blose; and Carrie, married to Francis Schmoyer.

#### BAHL FAMILY.

Tobias Bahl who emigrated from Germany to America on the ship *Dragon*, which landed at Philadelphia, September 30, 1732, was the ancestor of a large Pennsylvania family. *Pennsylvania Archives, Vol. 17, Second Series*. The name is spelled as Bahl, Baal, and Ball. In 1734 a patent deed was granted to him for a tract of land in Upper Saucon township, now Northampton county, and there on the tax list of 1762, appears the name of Philip Baal, whose son, Philip Baal, Jr., the federal census of 1790, of Upper Saucon township, records as the head of a family consisting of four sons under sixteen years of age, a wife and two daughters.

Philip Bahl, son of John Bahl, who was a brother of Philip, Jr., was of the fourth generation. He was born Sept. 18, 1812, and died on May 7, 1883, aged 71 years, 7 months, and 19 days. He and his wife are buried on Fairview cemetery, Allentown. He had been a farmer in Upper Saucon until his retirement and removal to Allentown. He was married to Louisa Riegel, a daughter of "Squire" Riegel, a farmer near Hellertown, Pa. Two children were born to them, as follows: Helen, who died aged 21 years; and John Jacob.

JOHN JACOB BAHL, late of Allentown, was born October 17, 1855. He attended the public schools and the Allentown academy. His early life was spent upon the farm and upon the retirement of his father, Philip, he succeeded him to the cultivation of the homestead farm situated in Upper Saucon township. In 1884 he removed to Allentown where he resided at 147 South Seventh street, until his death on March 28, 1908. He is buried on the Fairview cemetery, Allentown. He was a Thirty-third and Last Degree Free and Accepted Mason, and he and his family were members of the Reformed Church.

On Oct. 17, 1878, he was married to Elizabeth Deshler, a daughter of Jacob Grim and Sarah A. (Trumbauer) Deshler. They have issue namely: Charles Philip, resides at home;

and Helen, who died aged eight years; and Philip Deshler Bahl, who died in infancy.

#### BAHNER FAMILY.

The following letter, written by Rev. Dr. F. F. Bahner, a Reformed minister, located at Waynesboro, Pa., to his second cousin, Rev. J. E. Bahner, a minister of the United Evangelical church, stationed at East Greenville, Pa., is herewith published in its entirety.

WAYNESBORO, PA., Sept. 26, 1912.

MY DEAR COUSIN:

I was glad to get your letter of yesterday. I have never contemplated setting up a "family tree," but have been greatly interested in tracing my great-grandfather, Nicholas Bahner, to the old ancestral home in Germany, and I have my heart set on going over there some day and eating and sleeping in the old house, built in the 13th century, and still occupied by a family of our relatives. I would also like to attend services in the old church in which he worshipped, built in the 10th century, and still used by the Reformed people of the village. In the list of Hessian soldiers (of 1776) at Marburg, the name appears as Nicholas Bahner, but on the church record, in his native village, Reichenbach, it is Johann Nicholas Bahn. The "er" was affixed to the name either by the recruiting officer, or by my great-grandfather himself. That is a point which I have never been able to clear up satisfactorily to myself. There are also Bahners in Germany, and I have a letter from one of them, but they do not come from Hesse. I have no doubt as to the identity of Johann Nicholas Bahn and Bahner, for the archivist at Marburg says that the two names stand for one and the same man.

Your great-great-great-great-grandfather was: Johann Georg Bahn. Your great-great-great-grandfather: Johann Heinrich Bahn, baptized June 13, 1728; confirmed, March 22, 1742, and as you know, your great-great-grandfather was Johann Nickolaus Bahn, born Jan. 18, 1754; baptized Feb. 28, 1754; died Feb. 5, 1824; aged, 70 years and 18 days (or as it appears at Marburg, and as he himself wrote it in this country, Nicholas Bahner).

As my father's name is John, you see that my male ancestors, on my father's side, were Johns for at least, five generations.

I lately got copies of the order of worship, hymn book, and catechism used by the Reformed congregation in the old church in Hesse, and a gown and cap such as all the ministers there wear, etc.

I have received a number of post cards from



Hesse—one of the old ancestral Bahn house, of the parsonage, church, &c.

I expect to visit the graveyard at the Stone Valley church again in the near future. Some years ago I made a record of the inscriptions on the stones over the graves of both my great-grandfather and great-grandmother, and if you could spare me one of your pictures of them, I would greatly appreciate it.

Did you ever, in your researches, find any records in a family Bible, or elsewhere, made by the hand of my great-grandfather? All I ever saw was his name attached to a will—Nicholas Bahner—written by himself. What further do you have? Can you let me have one of your pictures of the grave? Yours sincerely,

F. F. BAHNER.

THE AMERICAN LINE OF THIS FAMILY.

*Nicholas Bahner and His Descendants in Pennsylvania.*

Nicholas Bahner, founder of the American branch of this family, came to this country during the Revolutionary War as one of the Hessian soldiers. He was born Jan. 18, 1754, and after the Revolutionary War, first located near Womelsdorf, in Berks county, Pa., thence he moved to Lebanon county, near Frederickburg, and from there to the Lykens Valley, in Dauphin county, near Gratz. He lived there some years on a tract of land in Lykens township, then moved to what is now Jordan township in Northumberland county, where he bought a tract of land which remained in the family name to the third generation. He followed farming to the end of his days. He was a tall, erect and handsome man, the ideal of a soldier. He died Feb. 5, 1824, and is buried at the Zion's church, in the Stone Valley, where his wife also rests. He was a member of the Reformed Church. He married Margaret Stahr, born Feb. 26, 1754, and who died Aug. 13, 1831. She was a native of Lebanon county. To them were born four sons and a daughter. The sons being: Jacob, Heinrich, Frederick, and John. The daughter was married to a Stump, in Northumberland county, and they settled in Ohio.

Jacob Bohner, the oldest son of Nicholas, was born Nov. 8, 1783, in Lykens Valley. He was a successful farmer, owning three good farms. For some years he lived near Hebe, and was a member of the Hebe Reformed Church, and there he is buried. He died Dec. 20, 1863. His wife, Catharine Deibler, was born May 16, 1789, and died Sept. 27, 1855. Their children were: Jacob, Jonathan, John, Abraham, Daniel, David, George, Matthias, Michael, Elizabeth, Eva and Polly.

Henry Bohner, the second son of the ancestor, remained on the homestead, and followed farming. He was twice married, first to a Brosius, and second to Rebecca Troutman. By the first wife he had Peter, Jacob, Henry, Nicholas, Catharine, Elizabeth, Rebecca, and Mrs. Jacob Miller. By his second wife he had William and Sarah.

Frederick Bohner, the third son of the ancestor, was born June 20, 1790, and died March 12, 1831. He settled near Uniontown in Jordan township, and was a prosperous farmer, owning and cultivating a large farm, a part of the homestead. He was a public spirited and highly respected citizen. He was one of the founders of the Evangelical Church in Uniontown. He married Eva Brosius, born in 1792 and died in 1872. They are buried in Bohner's (Union) cemetery, near Uniontown. Their children were Daniel (m. Julian Mease); Lydia (m. Rev. Mr. Anspach); Sallie (m. a Wildermuth); Rebecca (m. Moses Troutman); and Phoebe (m. a Mr. Mease).

John Bohner, the youngest son of the ancestor, was born Sept. 4, 1792, in the Mahantango Valley. He owned a valuable farm of 140 acres located near Mahanoy, Pa. He was a stone mason and followed that trade most of the time. His children conducting the farm. He died June 7, 1880, and is buried at the Mahanoy Church, of which he was an official member. His wife, Maria Delp, was born 1789 and died in 1868. Their children were Peter, Daniel, David, Simon, John, Benjamin, Elizabeth, Susanna, Maricha, Catharine and Dinah.

Daniel Bohner, son of Frederick, son of Nicholas, lived near Uniontown, on part of his homestead, being the farm of Daniel K. Schlegel. He acquired a substantial property, but lost heavily in the U. B. graveyard insurance venture. A man of intelligence and remarkable foresight, he was a leader in his community in many ways. Converted at his home during the thirties, under Bishop Seibert, then a presiding elder of the Evangelical Association, he was one of the founders of the church of that denomination at Uniontown and was one of the most zealous and effective advocates of the doctrines of that sect in his vicinity, doing much for its advancement. He helped to erect the first Evangelical Church at Uniontown, giving liberally not only of money but of lumber and other material, doing considerable hauling, boarding workmen, etc. He held many offices in the church and to the end of his days was an ardent Christian and a truly spiritual man. The camp-meeting was held in his grove, and through his zealous efforts many members were brought into the church. He

served as lay delegate to many church conferences, and to the general conference. He was a devout student of the Bible. Mr. Bohner died March 29, 1904, at the advanced age of 91 years, 10 months and 7 days. He was always a strong man physically, was short, heavy set, broad shouldered, and had a full face. In 1874 he built a large vault in Bohner's Union cemetery, near Pillow, and about 20 years before his death had a steel coffin made for himself and wife, Julianna Measy (Mease), who passed away Dec. 8, 1898, aged 81 years, 8 months and 13 days. They had children as follows: Emanuel, Rev. Benjamin, Henry, Daniel, Phoebe (m. Wil-



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liam Spotts and lived in Kansas), Annie, Mary (known as Polly, died unmarried), Sarah (m. Jeremiah Weaver) and Emma (m. Simon Eyer, of New Jersey).

REV. BENJAMIN FREDERICK BOHNER, son of Daniel and Juliana Bohner, was born in Jordan township, Northumberland county, Pa., June 17, 1837, and was reared on a farm in Uniontown, Pa. He began his education as a boy in the township schools of his native place and concluded it in Union Seminary, at New Berlin, Pa. While still a youth he was converted in a Church which

his parents helped to build, during a revival meeting conducted in 1854 by the Rev. Andreas Ziegenfus. He at that time joined the Evangelical Association, of which he has continued a useful and highly esteemed member until the present day. In 1857 he was elected an exhorter in what was then called Trautman's Class, which office he served for four years. In 1862 he was licensed as a preacher in the East Pennsylvania Conference, of the Evangelical Association, and in 1865 was ordained a deacon and in 1868 an elder. On March 19, 1867, he was married to Miss Catharine Kistler, daughter of Daniel S. and Magdalena Kistler, of West Penn township, Schuylkill county, Pa. The fruits of the union were four sons: Ausben D., and Harvey E., both of Allentown, Pa., Rev. Charles H., of Ocean City, N. J., and Benjamin F., deceased. Being able to preach with equal facility in both the English and German languages, Rev. Bohner was of service to his Conference in many of the best parishes within its bounds, and was uniformly acceptable to the people both within and without the churches he served. He was stationed on the following charges: Montgomery circuit, Fairville circuit, Womelsdorf circuit, Mahantango circuit, Milton Grove and Conewago, Easton, Harrisburg, Mauch Chunk, Salem, Reading, Norristown, Salem, Allentown, Catasauqua, Bethlehem and Immanuel, Allentown. At the sessions of the conference in 1891, held in the Immanuel Church, Allentown, of which Mr. Bohner was then pastor, he was elected a presiding elder, having received all the votes cast, save his own. This office he held in succession for twenty years, thus becoming a leader in the conference which had honored him by electing him seven times as its representative in the General Conference of the Church. He was elected to three terms of four years each on the Board of Publication by the General Conference. His present incumbency on the Board will expire in 1916. Rev. Bohner has served in the active ministry for fifty years and at the session of his conference in 1913, held at Allentown, his name, at his own request, was placed on the superannuated list of that body, which took recognition of his long and useful ministry by the unanimous adoption of the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, This session of Conference completes the semi-centennial of Rev. B. F. Bohner's admission into the East Penna. Conference, he having been licensed in the year 1862, therefore

*Resolved*, That we are thankful to God for the faithful and efficient services of Rev. Bohner as a pastor, also for his self-sacrificing, conscientious and honorable career as a Presiding Elder.

*Resolved*, That while we must recognize that



added years have brought with them waning physical strength, we are glad that there remains an undiminished spirituality and devotion and that we shall not cease to hold him in the highest esteem and lovingly remember his faithful services through many trying years, as also his loyalty to his God and to his Church and her doctrines, and at this session, which is the fiftieth year of his ministerial career, pray that He whom he has loved and served these many years may be especially near and helpful to him in future days.

HARVEY E. BOHNER, son of Rev. Benjamin F. and Catharine Bohner (daughter of Daniel S. and Magdalena Kistler), was born January 10, 1871, at Harrisburg, Pa. After graduating from the public schools of Bethlehem, Pa., in 1888, he was entered as a student in the American Business College, of Allentown, Pa., from which institution he was graduated in 1890. He at once entered the employ of the F. Hersh Hardware Co. as a book-keeper, and after several years transferred his services to the C. A. Dorney Furniture Co., of which he became head book-keeper. In 1901 he became associated with M. A. Helfrich in the manufacture and sale of furniture, at 734 Hamilton street, Allentown, Pa., where under the name of Helfrich & Bohner the firm conducts a large retail business. Mr. Bohner was married to Miss Salome Roth, daughter of Samuel and Cecilia Roth, on December 1, 1893, and is the father of three children: Marjorie E., B. Frederick, and Lucy Salome. As an active and representative citizen of Allentown, Mr. Bohner has many religious, social and business associations. He is president of the Board of Trustees, of Salem Evangelical Church, a trustee of the Public Library, Treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer of the Associated Charities and a charter member of Jordan Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 673.

REV. CHARLES H. BOHNER, son of Rev. Benjamin F. and Catharine Bohner (daughter of Daniel S. and Magdalena Kistler), was born January 16, 1875, at Mauch Chunk, Pa. He received his elementary education in the public schools of the various cities in which his father served his several pastorates. After leaving the Allentown High school he was prepared for college in the Allentown Preparatory School. In 1895 he entered Muhlenberg College, from which institution he was graduated with first honors. He then pursued a course of study in the Illinois Wesleyan University, of Bloomington, Ill., from which he was graduated with the degree of Ph.B. In 1908, on the submission of his thesis, he received the degree of A.M. from Muhlenberg College. He also took lectures in theology at Princeton Theological Seminary. In 1900 Rev. Bohner

was ordained an elder in the ministry of the Evangelical Association, and served successful pastorates in Salem Church, Reading; Ebenezer Church, Allentown; and Trinity Church, Easton, in all of which he remained the full length of time allowed by the polity of the denomination. In June, 1911, having received a unanimous call to the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church, of Ocean City, N. J., he entered upon the work there, where he is at present enjoying a very successful ministry. In addition to his active pastoral career, Mr. Bohner has found time to do considerable literary and educational work, having been editor of the East Pennsylvania Conference Minutes for eight years, Sunday school editor of the *Evangelical Messenger* for five years, and staff lecturer on sociological subjects at Schuylkill Seminary, Reading, Pa. He was united in marriage to Miss Carrie A. Smith, daughter of Edward J. and Annie Smith, of Allentown, Pa., in 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Bohner have traveled widely, having visited many lands, including Turkey, Syria, the Holy Land, Egypt and the various States of Europe. Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., owns him as a valued member, of which body he has served as chaplain.

REV. JONATHAN ELMER BAHNER, a great-great-grandson of Nicholas Bahner; a great-grandson of John Bahner,—the youngest son of Nicholas,—a grandson of Peter Bahner, the oldest son of John, and a son of Noah R. Bahner, the oldest son of Peter,—was born near Uniontown (now Pillow, Pa.), on January 4, 1874. He attended the public schools at Stone Valley; graduated from Bloomsburg Normal school in 1897; taught in the public schools for 5 years; graduated from Albright College, Myerstown, Pa., in 1901; and entered the ministry of the United Evangelical Church in the same year. He served the following charges, to date: Boyertown, 2 years; South Allentown and Northampton, 3 years; Palmyra, 4 years, and East Greenville, 4 years.

He was married to Mary R. Lyter, of Dauphin, Dauphin county, Pa., February 5, 1902. The children are: Ruth, Mabel, Emma, John, Paul, Sarah, Bertha, and Grace.

#### BALLIET FAMILY.

The ancestry of the Balliet family has been traced to Tancred le Balyard, who was commander-in-chief of the army of Chlodwig, King of France, about the year 500. The name Tancred, in old French, meant "many wounds or scars," and it is said that at the time of his death about 524, he had more than a hundred scars on his body. He married Yutta de Mezieres and had



two sons, Hugo, who entered ecclesiastical life and died as the Archbishop of Mailand; and Alfred, who became a soldier. He carried on his shield a man's head with a cloth wound about it, as a mark of the many scars of his father. This mark, with the crest, a cock, signifying warlikeness and military courage, is still the arms of the family. After many campaigns, Alfred Balyard settled in Normandy and married Amelie de Chateau Roux. He had two sons, Franz and Reynald, whose descendants lived in France until about 1066, when the majority of them went with Duke William, of Normandy, to England and settled in the county of Sussex. Gualther Balyard remained in France and married Undine de Perigord. An active soldier, he met his death in the first Crusade, at the storming of Jerusalem in 1099. His two sons, Andre and Charles, remained in Jerusalem. The family flourished in the Levant and when the Crusades were over about 1280, a Bertrand Balyard returned to France and was made Lieutenant of Burgundy. He had brought a wife from the East, named Adelheid von Bernstorff, of German origin, and left after his death in 1312, a son named Sylvester Balyard. His descendants lived in Burgundy, one of whom, Raimund Balyard, died in 1554, in Paris, leaving five sons: Armand, Michael, Louis, Frederick, and Berno. Their descendants were greatly scattered during the civil and religious wars of France, and one line of the family settled in Germany.

Paul Balliet, grandson of Jacob, of Schalbach, of this branch, was born in Alsace in 1717, and emigrated to America on the ship Robert and Alice, which arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 10, 1738. He settled not long after in Whitehall township, as on Sept. 23, 1740, his name, Paulus Balliet, appears as a sponsor to a child of John Nicholas Snyder, who came to America with him. On April 12, 1749, he secured 97 acres by warrant and by 1774 had added to this 713 acres. He married, in 1749, Maria Magdalena, daughter of Abraham Worting. She was born in Lorraine in 1727 and died in 1802. He was naturalized April 10, 1759. A license was granted to him to keep a hotel on June 22, 1756, and again at the June term of Court in 1759. The hotel was built of logs and later weatherboarded. It was known as the Whitehall Hotel and its sign was the flowing bowl. He was called by the Indians, "Bowl Balliet," it is said, from the fact that he furnished them refreshment from a wooden bowl. He also conducted a store where the Indians received their supplies. During the French and Indian War, in 1756 and 1757, he furnished provisions, with Adam Deshler, to the provincial forces at Forts Allen, Norris and Ham-

ilton, and to Indians. The hotel was a post station for many years, where the daily stage coaches changed horses on their way north and returning. As other families settled there the place became known as Balliettsville. The log hotel was torn down in 1840 and the remainder of the house stood until April, 1884. Paul Balliet was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation and in 1767 represented the Whitehall charge at the meeting of Cœtus at Lancaster, as an elder from Egypt, and was paid ten shillings for expenses. He died March 19, 1777, and was buried at Unionville, where his tombstone can still be seen. In his will, dated March 15, 1777, and probated Aug. 2, 1777, he states that his son Stephen "shall have the plantation in Towamensing township on the Blue mountains, whereon Samuel Somery lives, and if Stephen wants the old plantation, he shall have it, and son John shall have where Somery lives; son Paul shall have the tract of land bought of Samuel Morris." The witnesses were David Hahn, Joseph Balliet, Nicholas Mark and Samuel Somery. This Joseph Balliet was a relative who lived in Whitehall as early as 1762. He and his wife, Mary Barbara, had sons, Jacob and Leonhard, and a Daniel, born Sept. 13, died Oct. 18, 1773. Jacob and Leonhard subsequently resided in Northampton county, east of the Lehigh. Leonhard had a son, John, born March 18, 1783, and a son, Leonhard, born Feb. 14, 1786.

Paul and Maria Magdalena Balliet had nine children: Jacob Balliet, born Dec. 23, 1750, died young; Maria Catharine, born July 28, 1752, died Jan. 28, 1823, married, Nov. 7, 1769, Adam Deshler, Jr.; Stephen Balliet, born in 1753, died Aug. 4, 1821; Susanna, born about 1755, married John Baer. On Nov. 23, 1794, their names appear as sponsors in Whitehall. They later removed to Hampshire county, Virginia, where Mrs. Baer was living in 1811; Eva, born in 1760, baptized March 26, 1760, died March 20, 1797, she married, April 10, 1781, Nicholas Saeger; John Balliet, born Nov. 31, 1761, died Nov. 2, 1837; Magdalena, under 14 in 1777, when Peter Rhoads was appointed her guardian, who married Christian Troxell; Paul Balliet, born May 24, 1766, died Feb. 17, 1845, whose guardian was Peter Burkhalter, appointed in 1777. After attaining the age of fourteen he chose Jacob Wert as his guardian. He married, Dec. 19, 1819, Mrs. Elizabeth Mickley, nee Deshler, widow of Christian Mickley, born 1773, died 1840. They had no children. Nicholas Balliet, under 14 in 1777, when Peter Kohler was appointed his guardian. He removed to Penn township, Northumberland county, where he was a tanner, and died at Selinsgrove in 1808.





*L. B. Balliet*



Stephen Balliet, eldest surviving son of Paul, was born on the homestead in 1753. He assisted his father in the store and hotel and in December, 1776, was commissioned lieutenant-colonel of the Second Battalion of Northampton county militia, commanded by Col. George Breinig. He was in command of his battalion at the battles of Brandywine and Germantown, and saw service on the frontiers. He was one of the officers in command on the march to Nescopeck. He was appointed agent for forfeited estates on May 6, 1778, and on Oct. 20, 1783, was elected a member of the Supreme Executive Council, then the governing body of the state. He was appointed a member of the Board of Property on June 7, 1784, and was elected to the Assembly in 1788 and 1789. In 1797 he was appointed revenue collector, for this, the Ninth District. He died Aug. 4, 1821, and was buried at Union church. He married Magdalena, daughter of Peter Burkhalter, Esq. She was born April 17, 1765, and died in 1805. Mrs. Edw. G. Martin, of Allentown, is the owner of their likenesses in oil. They had two sons, Stephen and Joseph.

Stephen Balliet, the eldest son, was born Oct. 27, 1781. He became a prominent iron master in the early days of the iron industry in the county and was the owner of Balliets' or Lehigh Furnace, which he started in 1826, with Samuel Helffrich. In 1828 they erected a forge in East Penn township, Carbon county. Mr. Helffrich died in 1830 and his interest was purchased by Mr. Balliet. In 1837 he removed to the locality and purchased about 3,000 acres of land, on which he erected a furnace and four houses. He resided there until his death in January, 1854. He married, Jan. 22, 1804, Susan Ihrie, daughter of Conrad Ihrie, of Northampton county. She was born Oct. 7, 1784, died March 28, 1852, and was buried at Ashfield, Carbon county. They had eleven children: Stephen, died young; Susan, born 1806, died 1873, married Dr. Jesse Hallman, born 1795, died 1861, and had six children: Mary A., Nathan, Louisa, Stephen, El-mira, wife of Charles H. Nimson, and Joseph; Stephen, Jr.; Paul; Aaron; Maria; George; John; Charles; Sabina; and Caroline.

Stephen Balliet, Jr., son of Stephen, was born March 25, 1809, and died July 13, 1860. He married, March 10, 1831, Maria Anna Bieber, daughter of Theobald Bieber and Elizabeth Sasamanhausen. She was born Oct. 11, 1811, and died April 17, 1832. They had one child, Dr. Lewis Bieber Balliet, who was born at Ballietsville, March 3, 1832. He attended the public schools and graduated in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, April 1, 1854. He practiced medicine at Unionville until 1894, when he

removed to 734 North Seventh street, Allentown, where he conducted a drug store and practiced medicine. He died Jan. 28, 1913, aged 80 years, having been 58 years a physician. He was a man of strong mentality and a delightful conversationalist. A student of history and genealogy, he wrote the genealogy of the Balliet family and owned a number of the valuable family relics, some of which he presented to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. He was well acquainted with the early history of the county and the writer wishes to pay tribute to him for the knowledge gained in many pleasant hours spent in his company. He was twice married and had one daughter, the wife of Rev. Phaon Kohler, of Glasgow, Pa. Stephen Balliet, Jr., married second, Elizabeth Huntzinger, of Orwigsburg, and had eleven children, five of whom grew to maturity: Sarah F., wife of Dr. Edw. G. Martin; Emma, who married Dr. John P. Kohler; Fannie, wife of Dr. Francis Troxell, of San Diego, Cal.; Margaret L., wife of Wm. H. Weinsheimer; and Arabella, who married Morris L. Kauffman, Esq.

Paul Balliet, son of Stephen Jr., was born May 11, 1811, and died Dec. 26, 1886. He married, (first) Sarah Moyer, born Oct. 15, 1808, and died Jan. 11, 1869, and (second) on May 20, 1878, Mrs. Kate Emery. He had six children: Paul E.; Sabina, wife of James D. Schall; Josephine, wife of H. H. Trumbauer; Catharine, wife of David H. Kline; Ella M. Balliet; and Amanda, wife of James Roney.

Aaron Balliet, son of Stephen Balliet and his wife Susan Ihrie, was born in North Whitehall township, March 7, 1813. He spent his boyhood days in his native township, where he acquired his early education and later studied at Easton. He became interested in the iron business and with his brother-in-law, Benjamin F. Levan, and others, built and operated the Coplay iron furnaces. Subsequently with his brothers, John and Paul, he purchased a furnace near Lehighon, which they operated for some time. He aided in the organization of the Second National Bank and was one of its directors for twenty-four years. His political affiliation was with the Whig party until its absorption by the Republican party, with which he became identified. He served many years as justice of the peace in his township and was active and progressive in all public matters. He died Nov. 1, 1895, and is buried at Unionville, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation.

He was twice married. His first wife was Sarah Dengler, daughter of John Dengler. She was born Oct. 31, 1827, and died Aug. 3, 1863. They had eight children:

(1). Francis, the oldest, who married Mary

C. Samuels, and has three children: George S., who married Lizzie Heffner; Robert, who married Irene Frederick and has six children: Miriam, Lee, Emma, Grace, Raymond, and Francis; and Marcus, who is single.

(2). Julia, the second child of Aaron Balliet, married Augustus Holterhoff, and is now deceased.

(3). Ella, afterward married Augustus Holterhoff and has five children: Robert, Julia, Albert, Augustus, and Elsie.

(4). Emma, married O. P. Lampher and has three children: Miriam, Adelle, and Richard.

(5). Anna, is the wife of O. E. Holman and has five children: Helen, Edith, Miriam, Dorothy, and Edward.

(6). Ida S., is single; and Susan and Stephen are deceased.

After the death of his first wife, Aaron Balliet married Catharine Hausman, a daughter of David and Catharine (Scheirer) Hausman and they had two children: A. H., and Ada M.

DR. A. H. BALLIET was born in Ballietsville, North Whitehall township, Dec. 27, 1867. He obtained his education in the public schools of the township, at Hagerstown, Maryland, Academy, and Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Pa. He later completed a course in veterinary surgery at Toronto, Canada, from which he was graduated with honors in 1888. Returning to his native town, he opened an office and continued in practice for eleven years, when he removed to Allentown, and remained in the practice of veterinary surgery for two years, when he retired from that business, directing his energies in other channels. In 1900 he became associated with Walter Biery in the operation of the Eagle Cigar Box Factory and after a period of about six months, Mr. Balliet purchased his partner's interest in the business and continued alone.

A. H. Balliet, cigar box manufacturer, is the successor to John M. Stevens. The plant was then located on Maple street, near Hamilton, at the rear of H. Leh & Company's building. Three years later the location was changed to the Yeager building at the corner of Lumber and Chestnut streets, where it remained five years, when the present large plant, occupying an entire block, was built at Franklin, Warren and Fifteenth streets. When the industry was purchased in 1900 there were 22 employees and a capacity of 1,500 boxes per day, which has now increased to 20,000 boxes per day and now employs 250 people and is one of the largest of its kind in the country. All kinds of cigar boxes are manufactured. "No Shrink" Boards are a specialty. A large quantity of cedar lumber, all ready for use, is sold to smaller dealers through the United

States. Many cedar boxes are manufactured here. The main building is five stories and 160 feet by 77½ feet in dimensions, which is of brick, with an addition containing the boiler house and other buildings. This plant was opened for business on April 1, 1908. The plant is conceded by manufacturers in the line to be one of the finest cigar box factories in the United States, and because of its model construction and modern equipment has attracted attention from far and near. The huge red Spanish cedar logs, which go toward making the better grade of boxes, are imported directly from Cuba. These cedar trees, which sometimes grow to a height of 50 feet and three feet in diameter, are cut in the swamps and groves of Cuba, stripped of their bark or hewn into square logs, taken to streams and floated to seaport towns. They are here loaded on ships, taken to New York and shipped directly to Allentown. A siding constructed from the West End branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, carries the logs directly to the yards of the factory. The timber is unloaded by a huge derrick, conveyed to saws, which cut it into proper lengths. Some of this stock is sold to other box factories in the United States. On the first floor of the four-story factory these parts are again cut into fletches corresponding to the size required for the boxes. Six large saws are used in this process. The wood is then taken to six concrete fire-proof driers. The Emerson system of drying by automatic compression is used and over 140,000 feet of piping are scattered through the six kilns. Fifteen thousand feet of timber can be placed in each kiln at a time. It takes two days to dry the wood, thus the driers turn out 40,000 feet of perfectly dried lumber. This is one of the most important and exact processes of the manufacture of the cigar box. After it is taken out of the kiln, the wood is planed and prepared for the manufacturing department on the second floor. It is sawed into box lengths and sorted by experts. The sorting is done on the standard of quality and color. After that the process of constructing the boxes piece by piece begins. This is done by eleven automatic self-feed nailing machines. From here the product goes to the automatic trimmers and sanders, after which it is ready to go to the edging room and the finishing rooms on the third floor, where all the labels, edging and trimmings, including the cigar factory and district, are put on the box and when this is done the article is ready to be filled with the weed.

As is very evident, the danger from fire in such an industry, is very great. Throughout Dr. Balliet's factory there are distributed 1025 automatic sprinklers and every one of the 250 people which he employs has been trained to use the fire ap-



paratus at a moment's notice. A tank on the roof contains 25,000 gallons of water, which is released for service when the heat from a fire melts a leaden guard. Not the least splinter of wood or grain of sawdust is wasted. Through a process designed by Dr. Balliet, the slabs or rounded sides of the logs are trimmed into shape for the making of smaller boxes. All waste and sawdust is deposited into hoppers, ground up into small particles and by compressed air, blown through pipes underneath the boilers where it is turned into fuel.

The factory has a capacity of 20,000 boxes a day. Local dealers use nearly the entire output.

In a special department handsome mothproof cedar wood chests are made and a department is being fitted up for the manufacture of hosiery boards.

The factory is of fire-proof construction throughout. It was erected by H. G. Scheldon & Company under Dr. Balliet's supervision. The boiler room, electric light plant, coal bins and repair rooms occupy an annex to the main factory. To conform with the insurance regulations the drying kilns are constructed under ground with entrances from the basement. Wide stairways and a large electric elevator connect the floors.

Three 125-horsepower boilers were installed by William H. Taylor & Company, and the Warren & Webster vacuum heating system and the automatic sprinklers were also installed by the Taylor firm. The building was wired by the Lehigh Electric Company and a factory 'phone is connected with every department.

Dr. Balliet gives his entire time to the supervision of the work of the 250 people in the plant. The top floor or finishing department is in charge of Miss Sallie Edinger. Fred Doll, Jr., has charge of the manufacturing floor, and takes care of the basement in which the planing, drying, re-sawing and staining is done. Fred Doll, Sr., manufactures the cedar chests and shaping boards. Edw. Kemmerer is in charge of the printing office.

The automatic nailing, sanding and trimming machines are the most modern. They are made by L. F. Grammes & Sons, of this city, who are also the patentees.

Mr. Balliet was married, Feb. 21, 1889, to Miss Anna Morgan, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Romich) Morgan. Mrs. Morgan was a daughter of John Romich. Thomas Morgan had five children:

- (1). John, who married Sarah Geiger.
- (2). James, who married Minnie Couch and has one daughter, Mary.
- (3). Edward, who married Alice Smith and

has six children: Annie, Howard, Blanche, Miriam, Clarence, and Ralph.

(4). Mrs. Balliet, who has one daughter, Mildred Adelle.

(5). Charles, who married Ruth Taylor and has six children: Willard, Harold, Beatrice, Helen, Cyril, and Dorothy.

Mr. Balliet is also an active member of the Clover Club of Allentown. He is the owner of Pastime Farm, along the beautiful Cedar creek, where he has many rare fowl of species seldom seen outside of zoological gardens.

George Balliet, son of Stephen, lived in Carbon county. He had a son, James D., who died Feb. 13, 1901, aged 55 years, leaving four sons.

John Balliet, son of Stephen, was born Nov. 13, 1819. He embarked in business in the charcoal furnaces with his brothers, Aaron and Paul. He later resided at Slatington, where he was a bank director and councilman. He died Jan. 5, 1885. He married Amanda Rehrig, and had three sons: John W.; Harry C.; and Lewis F.; and three daughters: Isabella, m. Victor Bowman; Emma J., m. John Semmel; and Martha S.

Joseph Balliet, younger son of Stephen Balliet, Sr., was born June 12, 1783, and died March 15, 1853. He married Margaret Borger, born Jan. 10, 1783, died Feb. 20, 1863. They lived on a farm near Ironton, where Kolapechka, the Indian, is said to have lived, and hence, Mrs. Balliet in her old age, was called Aunt Coplay. She was well versed in the history of the early pioneers. The had children: Hiram; Asa; Nicholas; Horace; Mrs. Susan Rabert; Mrs. Catharine Bull; Elizabeth, b. 1805, d. 1864, m. Samuel Lewis; Mrs. Margaret Frack; and Harriet, m. (first) Mr. Benner, and (second) Samuel Lewis.

Asa Balliet had three children: Henry, born 1841, died 1905, in Iola, Kan.; Mrs. Margaret Levan; and Hannah, wife of Reuben Dutt, who had daughters: Mrs. Wm. R. Yeager and Mrs. Joseph P. Shimer.

Nicholas Balliet was born Dec. 3, 1811, and died Dec. 27, 1883. He married Mary Frack and had children: Charles F., born May 30, 1846, died Aug. 26, 1902, who married Anna M. Gorr and had one daughter, Cora; Mary, m. John Shoener; Caroline, m. Charles W. Knauss, and had children: Joseph B.; Harry B.; Mrs. Minnie M. Wigand; John H.; and Leroy; Sabina, wife of Charles D. Kutz; and Mrs. Daniel Weber.

Horace Balliet married Annie Clauser and had seven children: A. P., Joseph, Benjamin, Samuel, William, Edwin and Mrs. M. J. Kline.

ALFRED P. BALLIET, of Coplay, son of Horace and Anna (Clauser) Balliet, was born in North



Whitehall, Dec. 12, 1848. His early educational training was received in the public schools and select school of his native township. Later he attended the Freeland Seminary at the Trappe, in which institution he was also one of the instructors. In 1864 he entered his father's store at Ironton as clerk and bookkeeper. In 1873 he became cashier with the Lehigh Valley Iron Company at Coplay, and later was assistant superintendent of the company, which position he filled until the company went into liquidation in 1879. After settling up the affairs of the old company, he assisted in the organization of the Coplay Iron Company, Limited, in 1879 and 1880. For several years Mr. Balliet was an expert accountant. In 1882, he became the representative of Whitney and Kemmerer, anthracite coal operators and has continued with them up to the present time. During this time he has also been engaged in the real estate and mercantile business as a member of the firm of Balliet Bros. & Company, at Ironton.

Mr. Balliet has been prominently identified with the Republican party for many years. He became a political worker in 1868, before he was of age, as secretary of the Grant and Colfax Club, of North Whitehall. The same year he was also elected a member of the Republican county committee, a position which he filled for 29 years. He served as delegate to the Republican state convention and a number of times as delegate to county conventions. He has also been a member of the congressional conferences between Berks and Lehigh, and Lehigh and Northampton, and was on several of the committees that revised the rules of the party.

He has served several years as a member of the school board in Coplay, and about twenty years in the town council of that borough. During his term as councilman he was instrumental in revising the laws and regulations of the borough. He was one of the organizers of the Coplay Fire Company, of which he was the first president. He helped to secure the silk mill to locate at Coplay, and is also interested in various real estate and land companies and cement industries. Mr. Balliet was one of the leading spirits in the Progressive movement in Lehigh county, being one of the seven pre-emptors of the Washington party name in the second legislative district of Lehigh county and is at present the committeeman of Coplay and a member of the executive committee of the Washington party in Lehigh county. He is one of the prominent public spirited men of the county. He and family are members of the Reformed Church.

In December, 1879, he was married to Francene A. Hewitt, a daughter of John Abel and

Julia (Fish) Hewitt, of Ironton, a descendant of a Connecticut family who later located at Brooklyn, Susquehanna county, Pa.. To Mr. and Mrs. Balliet the following children were born: 1. Franklin A, postmaster of Coplay, who was married to Alice F. Stettler, a daughter of Benjamin Stettler. Issue: Sherwood, a graduate of the Coplay high school, and now a student in Valparaiso University, Indiana; Bessie, a graduate of the Coplay high school, 1912; Harold, a graduate of the Coplay high school, 1913; Alfred P.; Frederick W., died aged three years; Gertrude A., died aged one year; Ruth; Edward; Catharine; and Blaine.

2. Gertrude, died aged ten years. 3. Fred W., employed in the auditing department of the C. R. R. of N. J.; 4. Julia, died aged eight years. 5. Ellen, died aged five years. 6. Edgar, died aged one year. 7. Gerald, who graduated in the Coplay high school and later was a student in Muhlenberg College. He was engaged in the mercantile business at Coplay and assisted his father in prospecting for natural gas and oil in the Lizard Creek Valley, Carbon county. He was married in November, 1907, to Mary Jenkin, of Hokendauqua, and died on Jan. 9, 1908.

JOSEPH C. BALLIET, son of Horace, was born in North Whitehall township, Sept. 3, 1850. He was educated in the township schools and the Keystone Normal School. He was employed in his father's general store at Ironton, of which he was the manager from 1877 until he died in 1885. He is buried at Unionville church, of which he was a Reformed member. He was married to Lucy Knecht, daughter of George and Philipina (Uhler) Knecht. Issue: Stella P., a public school teacher; Mary A., and Edwin G.

Benjamin Balliet, son of Horace, was born Dec. 3, 1852. He was educated in the public schools and Kingston Seminary. When quite young he began to work in his father's store at Ironton and at the ore beds at Ironton and Trelertown, in which his father employed a large force of men. In 1871 he started to farm for himself and after farming four years he sold his tract to his father and purchased a larger farm near Sherersville. For eleven years he was the foreman of the Columbia mill of the American Cement Company at Egypt. He now lives retired at Egypt.

In 1871, he was married to Sallie Marks. She died in 1884. They were the parents of the following children: Annie (Mrs. Herbert George); Samuel; Howard; Kate (Mrs. Charles Mickle); Ella; William; and Milton.

SAMUEL J. BALLIET, of the firm of Balliet Bros. & Co., of Ironton, was born in North Whitehall township, Nov. 16, 1873. For some

years he worked at coach-making at Neffs. In 1890, he came to Ironton and assisted his uncle, William Balliet, in the store, hotel, coal yards and farm until 1902, when he became a member of the firm of Balliet Bros. & Co., and since the death of his uncle, William H. Balliet, in 1910, is the head manager of the firm. He is the postmaster of Ironton since Nov. 6, 1901. He is a member of the Order of Red Men of Egypt, and a member of the Unionville Reformed congregation. In 1905, he was married to Mary Falk, daughter of Lewis and Martha Falk. Issue: Irene F. and Hilda J.

WILLIAM H. BALLIET was born at Ironton, July 9, 1859. Besides attending the public schools he received his education at the Kutztown Normal School and taught school for a short time. He then assisted his father, Horace, in conducting the store and hotel at Ironton. After the father's death, A. P., of Coplay, and William H., formed a partnership under the name of Balliet Bros. William H. died Jan. 14, 1910. He was a member of the Reformed congregation at Ironton and of Lehigh Lodge, I. O. O. F. In 1883, he was married to Ellen M. Yundt, daughter of Thomas and Eliza (Marks) Yundt. Issue: Thomas W., deceased; Joseph H., a farmer; Edgar J., a student in the University of Pennsylvania; Rachael A.; and Esther M.

ROBERT F. BALLIET, coal dealer of Coplay, son of Samuel and Mary (Nipsch) Balliet, was born at Ironton, Pa., June 13, 1878. He was educated in the public schools of Coplay and took a course in the commercial department of Millersville State Normal School. He enlisted on Dec. 6, 1898 in the 8th United States Infantry, as a private and served three years in Cuba, China, and the Phillipines. After being honorably discharged he returned to Coplay and was employed as a clerk for three years by the L. V. R. R. Co. When the state constabulary was formed Mr. Balliet was one of the very first to receive an appointment for this important position. After several years of service he accepted a position as state detective under Captain Tenny, stationed at Pittsburgh. After following this for a short time he resigned to engage in the wholesale coal business. He formed a partnership with his brother, Horace, as Balliet Bros., dealers in coal, wood and feed. He also has charge of John W. Eckert's real estate at Coplay. On Sept. 2, 1907, he was married to Charlotte Cassell, daughter of William D. and Elmina (Gehr) Cassell. Mrs. Balliet is a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown. She taught school for a number of years and is at present substitute teacher of the borough of Northampton. She is

a fine musician and has taken part in a large number of concerts throughout the valley.

Hiram Balliet, son of Joseph, was born Jan. 17, 1817, and died Jan. 18, 1881. He was reared on a farm and after working at the iron ore mines for a time, secured a farm at Siegersville, which he cultivated. He also owned farms in Indiana and Iowa, which were operated for him under lease. In politics he was a staunch Republican and served one term as county commissioner, elected in 1871, and also as a school director. He was a member of the Unionville Reformed congregation. He married Caroline Schneck, who was born Jan. 9, 1829, and died March 21, 1894. They had eight children: Allen, deceased; Amanda; Paulina, died, aged one year; Elmira; Susan; Oliver P.; Stephen and Alice.

OLIVER P. BALLIET, chief engineer of the Allentown and Reading Traction Company, was born March 28, 1863, at Siegersville, in North Whitehall township. He received his education in the local public school and at Ballietsville, and afterward at the Bloomsburg State Normal School, and assisted his father at farm work during vacation time, until he became seventeen years old. He then worked at the "Old Homestead Mine" as an engineer for two years, after which he learned the trade of miller and followed it for three years, but not liking the employment, he resumed engineering for the next seventeen years, mostly at the Allentown Wire Mill. In 1905 he was appointed engineer of the A. & R. Traction Company power plant at Griesemerville, and in 1906 he was promoted to chief engineer, which position he has filled to the present time.

Mr. Balliet married, July 31, 1881, Laura J. Heller, daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Knerr) Heller, of Lowhill township, and they have three children: Edna, m. James DeLong, and they have a son, Frederick; Stephen, m. Clara Reinhard, and they have two children; and Lizzie.

#### LINEAGE OF JOHN BALLIET, SON OF PAUL

*By W. W. Deatrick, Sc. D., Professor of Literature in the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa.*

John Balliet, son of Paul, the pioneer, was born at Whitehall on Dec. 1, 1761. At an early age he married Catharine M. Mickley, born March 28, 1764, died Jan. 2, 1835, a daughter of John Jacob Mickley. He served as a private in the Revolution and afterwards in the border troubles. First he was a private under his brother, Col. Stephen Balliet; later he was captain of a company in Col. Abraham Rinker's Battalion. History tells how John Balliet, of Whitehall,



prevented by illness in the family from participating in the expedition made by the detail under command of Col. Stephen Balliet, to Sugarloaf Valley to bury the dead massacred by the Indians in 1780, heard from the returning soldiers of the beauty and fertility of that then unoccupied region. Having had his imagination fired by these glowing accounts, in 1784, with his wife and two children, Balliet removed thither, settling at a spring, headwaters of the Little Nescopeck, in the upper end of the valley, at a place later known as Beisel's, about one mile west of Drum's, becoming the first settler in the entire valley. Travel to that place could be made only on horseback. The two children, as the story goes, were placed one in each of two beegums which, strapped together, were slung over the back of a horse. In descending Broad mountain, the connecting strap broke and the beegums with their human treasure fell down the mountain side. His first habitation was of poles set up against a tree; later he built a log house which, being destroyed by fire several years after, was replaced by a frame structure, the first frame house in the Nescopeck Valley, still standing, removed from its original site, and doing duty as a shed on the farm of S. F. Readler, the present (1913) owner of the property. In the same year, 1784, John Balliet took out warrants for two tracts of land, one of 103 acres, 65 perches, the other of 101 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres "in Towamensing."

So existing receipts to John Balliet, son of Paul, prove. These receipts and other papers which refer to the subject of our sketch and which speak of him as "John Balliet of Towamensing" seem to make it questionable whether John Balliet, son of Paul, was the "John Balliet of Whitehall" who was the first settler in Nescopeck Valley. Various records, cemetery, church, and military, seem to make it certain that about 1780 there were several John Balliets in Whitehall. Whether what is now Butler township in Luzerne county was then included in the not clearly defined "Towamensing," this narrator has not been able to determine. Northampton county, about that time, as shown by the maps of the period, extended to the north branch of the Susquehanna. —*W. W. D.*

Oct. 17, 1806, John Balliet purchased 240 acres of land in Turbot township, Northumberland county, Pa., (now Limestone township, Montour county), near the present village of Limestoneville. Renting this property shortly afterwards to his son, John Balliet (2d), he purchased a farm nearby and erected on it a commodious stone dwelling in which he resided to the time of his death, Nov. 2, 1837. He is buried by the side of his wife in the graveyard of Para-

dise Reformed church, of which the Balliets were prominent members, just over the border line of Montour and Northumberland counties. About 1810 he served for a time as collector of taxes for Turbot township. He left two children, Magdalena, born Jan. 5, 1872, married Solomon Levan, died 1867; and John Balliet (2d).

*John Balliet (2d)*, born March 14, 1784, married Elizabeth Schreiber, born Sept. 7, 1782, and died March 25, 1858, of Coplay, daughter of Jacob Schreiber. He spent his life on the farm purchased by his father in Turbot township, Northumberland county (now Limestone township, Montour county, Pa.) He died Feb. 1, 1854, and with his wife lies buried not far from the graves of his parents in Paradise Reformed church graveyard mentioned above. To John Balliet and his wife Elizabeth, were born six sons and two daughters: John Balliet (3d), Stephen Balliet, Levi Balliet, William Balliet, Josiah Balliet, Jacob Balliet, Nancy Balliet (Mrs. Abraham Stroub), and Mary Balliet (Mrs. Joseph McNinch by first marriage, Mrs. John Klapp by second marriage). All of these children, except Mrs. Stroub, lived to an advanced age.

*John Balliet (3d)*, born May 17, (?) 1806, spent his life in the Balliet settlement near Limestoneville. He married Catharine Kuhns, born 1810, with whom he had eight children: Charles Edward Balliet, born Feb. 28, 1828, resident (in 1913) in Macdougall, N. Y.; Peter Balliet; Caroline Balliet; Elizabeth (Mrs. Ellis Frederick), of Watsonstown, Pa.; John W. Balliet, of Watsonstown; Ellen Balliet (Mrs. Wm. Dunn), of the same place; Mary Balliet; David A. Balliet, also a resident of Watsonstown. Mr. and Mrs. William Dunn celebrated their golden wedding on May 14, 1913.

*Stephen Balliet*, son of John Balliet, 2d, spent his long life in the same section, occupied in agriculture. He married Susan Newcomer and to the pair were born nine children: William H. Balliet, late of Hughesville, Pa.; Stephen D. Balliet; Charles A. Balliet; Edmund N. Balliet; Levi W. Balliet; John F. Balliet; Ambrose E. Balliet, a business man of Williamsport, Pa.; Susan Elizabeth Balliet; Mrs. Charles A. Wagner, of Watsonstown, Pa.; and Mary Irene Balliet, (Mrs. John D. Clapp), also of Watsonstown. A son of Mrs. Charles A. Wagner, Prof. Carroll Wagner, is a prominent educator in Madison, South Dakota.

*Levi Balliet*, son of John Balliet (2d), devoted his life, not to agriculture, as did most of his brothers, but to manufacturing and business, spending many years in merchandising at Limestoneville, McErensville, and in the latter years of



his life (died 1891) in Milton, where he suffered grievously in the great fire of May 14, 1880. He was married twice, first to Elizabeth Folmer, and second to Matilda Hackenberg. The former union was blessed with four children: John Calvin Balliet, long associated with his father in business in Milton, Pa.; Susan F. Balliet (Mrs. Swartz), now resident in Bradford, Pa.; Dr. Lorenzo Dow Balliet, a prominent homeopathic physician, in active practice in Atlantic City, N. J., for some years past; and Mary Balliet, long deceased. Of the latter marriage there were two children: Mary Louisa Balliet, of Kutztown, Pa.; and Emma Jane Balliet, wife of the Rev. W. W. Deatruck, Sc. D., for the past twenty-three years professor of higher English in the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa.

*William Balliet*, fourth son of John Balliet, 2d, was the last to pass away of this long-lived family, dying a little more than a year ago at Limestoneville. Throughout his mature life he tilled the ancestral acres and only after his death did the estate of John Balliet (1st) pass out of the possession of the Balliet family. His wife was Rebecca Haag. To these two were born eight children: Mary E. Balliet (Mrs. C. E. Royer), lately deceased, of Limestoneville; Sarah Balliet; Emma L. Balliet (Mrs. Charles A. Leinbach), resident in Milton; Alcesta Balliet (Mrs. I. Albert Eschbach), deceased; William Josiah Balliet, a farmer, residing near Milton; Calvin Balliet; Clarence Franklin Balliet, Milton; and Ida Balliet.

*Josiah Balliet*, fifth son of John Balliet, (2d), removed years ago to Lockport, New York. He Elizabeth Eschbach. Of them were born seven children: Aaron F. Balliet, Sarah Balliet, Elizabeth Balliet, Josiah Albert Balliet, William Balliet, Oliver Balliet, and Melva Balliet. The male members of this branch of the family have devoted their activities successfully to various forms of business.

*Jacob Schreiber Balliet*, fifth son of John Balliet, (2d), followed agriculture. His wife was Catharine G. Lewars. In this family there were five children: M. Ellen Balliet, of Danville, Pa.; James Lewars Balliet, Williamsport, Pa.; Ambrose Elwood Balliet, a prominent business man in Milton; Edward Franklin Balliet, of Limestoneville; and Henry M. Balliet.

*Nancy Balliet*, first daughter of John Balliet, (2d), is long since deceased. She married Abraham Stroub. One of her sons, also deceased some years, Clement Stroub, was one of the most prominent men in the business and financial life of Milton. A daughter became the wife of the Rev. W. A. Goodrich, for many years a prominent clergyman of the Reformed church in Clear-

spring, Md. She died some years ago. One of her sons, Ambrose W. Goodrich, is at the head of a large hardware business in Reading, Pa. Mr. Ambrose Stroub, son of Nancy Balliet Stroub, is living in Philadelphia. For many years he was a trusted official of the United States Mint in that city.

*Mary Balliet*, second daughter of John Balliet, (2d), departed this life but a few years since. She was twice married, first to Joseph McNinch, and second to John Clapp. Two of her daughters are living in Milton, Pa., Miss Elizabeth Jane McNinch; and Miss Mabelle Balliet Clapp.

The branch of the Balliet family descended from John Balliet (1st), has been holding for some years past, alternately in Milton Park and Watsonstown Park, very successful reunions early in the month of August. Of this Balliet Family Reunion Association, Miss Bertha Balliet Wagner, of Watsonstown, Pa., is the efficient secretary, and Rev. Dr. W. W. Deatruck, of Kutztown, Pa., the historian.

Daniel Balliet was by trade a blacksmith and came from Conyngham Valley, Pa. He married Mary Smith, and their children were: Stephen, John, Daniel, and Paul Balliet.

Paul Balliet, son of Daniel and Mary (Smith) Balliet, was born in February, 1830, in Saucon township, and died January, 1903. He was educated in the public schools and was a great reader, educating himself after leaving school. He removed to Bethlehem and learned chair making, cabinet work, and wood-working at the age of 21 years and learned the undertaking business and engaged in that business.

In 1871 he became superintendent of Fairview cemetery, continuing for 9 years, and later was employed in Schwartz's furniture factory. During the last years of his life he was a confirmed invalid. Was a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he was very active and contributed liberally to it financially.

During the Civil War he made several voyages to the southern states, with cargoes of coffins containing bread, returning with bodies of soldiers enclosed therein.

Paul Balliet married Mary Ann Hartman, daughter of Joseph and Hannah (Weaver) Hartman, of Allentown. Their children were: Wesley Newton, who died in infancy; Clara M., of whom below; Anna V.; Florence; Morris S.; Elizabeth B.; Margaret B.; Harry H., who died at the age of 19; William C., died in infancy; and Daniel Balliet.

Anna V. married Henry W. Reinsmith, a cabinet-maker. They have one son, Joseph H., employed as a draughtsman in Yeager's furniture factory.

Florence married Henry Wilson.

Morris S. married Elizabeth Moyer, and their children were: Jessie C., and F. Aline. He died at the age of forty-five years.

Elizabeth B. married Harry F. Hausman, candy manufacturer of Allentown.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Balliet were interred in Fairview cemetery.

CLARA M. BALLIET attended the public and high schools and graduated in 1871. She has made teaching her life work, first in the primary department of the Third ward school, and for the past forty-two years a teacher in the Livingston school. She is a lady of culture and refinement.

Stephen Balliet settled in Weisenberg township, where he had a farm of 124 acres, which is now owned by his grandson, George H. Balliet. He was a life-long farmer, and a member of Low-hill Reformed church, where he was buried. He married Abbie Bachman. Issue: Emma, married Edwin Zimmerman; Sarah; and Josephine, who died in 1902, unmarried; and William F. Balliet.

William F. Balliet, only son of Stephen Balliet, was born Nov. 4, 1860, in Weisenberg township, and was a life-long farmer, succeeding his father to the homestead. In politics he was a Republican and a member of the Reformed Church. He died April 2, 1895, and was buried at Lynnvill church. William F. Balliet married Louisa Fenstermacher, daughter of Daniel and Polly (Dietrich) Fenstermacher. She makes her home with her only son, George H. Balliet.

GEORGE H. BALLIET, only son of William F. Balliet, was born Dec. 9, 1882, on the old homestead. He was educated in the schools of his township. He was reared upon the farm and began work on the old homestead in 1904, being the third generation to occupy this property. The present house was built by the widow, Louisa Balliet, about 1900. Mr. Balliet is a progressive, modern and successful agriculturist. In politics he is a Republican and in religion a member of the Reformed church at Lynnvill. He holds membership in the Independent Order of Americans of New Smithville. George H. Balliet married in 1904, Minnie Hamm, daughter of Andrew and Nora (Leibensperger) Hamm, and has one child, Annie May Balliet.

#### BAKER FAMILY.

I. Rev. Cornelius Baker was a native of Dauphin county, Pa. He studied for the ministry and, after ordination, became one of the old-time itinerant preachers, at a time when clergymen were few and far between, covering in his rounds a large territory, over which he trav-

elled principally on horseback, as was the custom in those primitive times. In the course of his career he resided in a number of places such as Adamstown, Reading, Philadelphia, Allentown, the Lehigh Valley, Schuylkill Haven, and Lancaster. After retiring from active labor, he returned to Reading, where he died at the age of seventy-three years.

Mr. Baker was married to Miss Mary Yost, and by her had several children, among whom may be mentioned the following: Edward C., Charles and Harry Monroe, of whom forward.

II. HARRY MONROE BAKER, a son of the Rev. Cornelius H. and Mary (Yost) Baker, was born November 5, 1863, in Lancaster, Pa., where he spent the first five years of his life, his parents, in 1868, removing to Allentown, in Lehigh county. Here he attended the public schools and the Allentown academy. At an early age he entered the employ of J. B. Weiland, of Wescosville, Pa., who operated a farm and store, remaining with them for three years, and receiving in return for his labors, his board, clothing, and a nominal wage. How nominal it must have been may be seen by the fact that at the end of the five years his savings amounted to the sum of \$45.00. Returning to Allentown, he then entered the employ of the M. C. Ebbecke Hardware Company, and remained with them, with the exception of a short break at the end of two years, until he became eventually the head salesman of the firm. After holding this responsible position for a time, Mr. Baker opened a sporting goods store in partnership with Mr. William Douglas, in Hamilton street, Allentown, but after about a year, sold out his interest to his partner. It was after this that he entered the coal business, first in the capacity of salesman for the C. R. Bachman Coal Company for three years, but in the year 1904, he formed a partnership with his brother, Charles Baker, under the firm name of Baker Brothers, and engaging in the wholesale coal trade, has built up a business regarded as one of the largest in the eastern part of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Baker was married to Miss Daisy George, a daughter of Eli and Jane (Beary) George, by whom he has had one son, Earl G. Baker, who died in infancy.

#### ROBERT P. BANKHARD.

Henry Bankhard emigrated from Germany and settled at Allentown, where he lived for many years on Sixth street, and carried on the business of ore mine contractor. At Allentown he married Barbara Golmayer. They are both buried on the Union Cemetery. They were members of the Reformed church.



Their children were: Henry, who served in the Civil War; John, who lived in Allentown; Rebecca, who married Simon Guth, and Alfred.

Alfred Bankhard of the Fourteenth Ward, East Allentown, was born August 22, 1848, in Whitehall township, and for many years followed railroading on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. In the year 1895 he built a home for himself, and there he now lives retired. He was married to Sarah Mohr, a daughter of Peter and Amanda (Steckel) Mohr. They have four children: Katie (married to William Bogert of Allentown); Alice (married to Milton Moyer, of Allentown); Nathan (at Perkasio, Pa.), and Robert P.

Robert P. Bankhard, real estate dealer and builder of East Allentown, was born in Whitehall, August 2, 1880. In 1898 he became a rail-

ing East Allentown annexed to Allentown in 1912, when it became the Fourteenth Ward. He is a Democrat and one of the enterprising men of that Ward. In 1902 he was married to Sallie Trexler, a daughter of Alexander W. and Jane Trexler. She was born in 1850 and died in 1903. They have four children: Mildred, Florence, Walter and Emma.

#### BARBER FAMILY.

Stephen Barber, of English descent, was born in Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, March 1, 1813. When but a lad he was left fatherless and found a home with a Mrs. Brown, a friend of his parents, where he spent his youth upon the farm. While still very young he came to Bethlehem and learned the carriage-making trade. Three years later he went to New York state and perfected himself in his trade, eventually settling at Fogelsville, Lehigh county, where he followed his trade for a brief time. In 1838, Mr. Barber came to Allentown and followed his trade for five years, after which he engaged in the sale of coach trimmings and hardware. His business prospered and he became an importer—the first importer of iron in Allentown. He took into partnership, Joseph and Mark Young, in 1845 or 1846. Mr. Barber was a public spirited citizen, always actively interested in matters pertaining to the advancement of the city and its educational interests. He had intimate relations with the Sheffield cutlers, who on his various visits to Europe, bestowed upon him many kind attentions. He died March 7, 1860, and is buried in Union cemetery. He was married Jan. 9, 1838, to Abigail, a daughter of John and Mary (Miller) Kuhns. They had one son, Allen F.

Allen F. Barber, son of Stephen, was born in Allentown, Feb. 15, 1839; was graduated from Gregory's School about 1860 and afterwards was associated with his father in business until the latter's death. He was a talented musician and a member of the Allentown band. He was a member of the Reformed church. He died April 24, 1874. He was married to Henrietta, daughter of Rev. William and Rebecca (Serler) Mennig, the issue being: Harvey S.; John W., who died in infancy; Alice A. (born Jan. 6, 1865, wife of Lloyd T. Wilcox); and Allen Edwin (born March 15, 1867, married Dec. 7, 1885, to Lillian I., daughter of Peter and Amanda (Mertz) Hartman; their children are Bessie L. and Frederick E.).

Harvey S. Barber, son of Allen F., was born in Allentown, March 6, 1862, and died Feb. 6, 1907. He was a musician, giving instruc-



ROBERT P. BANKHARD.

roader on the P. & R. R. R., and for seven years was employed as a fireman. He is now employed at a stone crusher. Since 1909 he has dealt in building lots in the Fourteenth Ward, and in partnership with Frank A. Sensenbach, has directed building operations. He is a member of Livingstone Castle, No. 225, K. G. E., and Allen Council No. 753, Independent Order of America.

Mr. Bankhard was the moving spirit in hav-

tions on the piano. He was also interested in several of the large silk mills when they were first started. He was a member of the Reformed church. His wife was Minnie M., daughter of William Blank, born May 6, 1866. She is residing at Philadelphia. The issue was Arthur A., and Helen, who died at the age of 11 years.

ARTHUR A. BARBER, son of Harvey S., was born in Allentown, Oct. 18, 1886. He was educated in the Nazareth Hall Military Academy, from which he graduated in 1905. Subsequently he served as civil engineer in the State Highway Department in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for three years. In 1908 he took up the automobile business, becoming associated with the Berwin Automobile Company until 1911, when he became a distributor for the International Harvester Company, having charge of Lehigh and a part of Berks county. Fraternally he is a member of F. O. E.; O. R. M. No. 261, of Telford, Pa., Order of Owls, is president of Franklin Fire Company since 1909; was elected Second Lieutenant Co. "D," 4th Infantry, Feb. 3, 1913, and is a member of Zion's Reformed church. On December 26, 1905, he married Matilda, a daughter of John and Mary (Steinmetz) Sturm. They have a daughter, Bessie M.

#### BARTHOLOMEW FAMILY.

Henry Bartholomew, an early settler in Allen township, Northampton county, Pa., was born in Zwei Brücken, Germany, in 1728, died near Kreidersville, Pa., September 7, 1807, and his tombstone is one of the oldest in the Stone Church Cemetery. He is first referred to in the early county records as "Henry, the Elder, of the town of Allen, yeoman," in 1798, when he purchased a farm on the road leading from Easton to Lehigh Gap. His will, dated April 7, 1804, was probated at Easton, September 10, 1807, and in it he bequeathed to his son Henry the plantation where he (Henry) then lived; to his son, Ludwig, he bequeathed the plantation where he (Ludwig) then lived, while a third son, Peter, shared equally with the foregoing two brothers in the balance of the estate.

There was another Henry Bartholomew, born 1735, died March 30, 1801, also buried at the Stone Church, but the relationship between the two, if any existed, is not known.

Henry Bartholomew, the second, was born September 23, 1758, died February 23, 1829. He had a son, John, born about 1780, who was a shoemaker and farmer at Nazareth, Pa. He married Susan, daughter of Isaac and Margaret (Klotz) Reimer, from Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, Pa., who later removed to Allen township. John Bartholomew died No-

vember 1, 1822, and was buried at Petersville church. He was the father of ten children: Abraham, died young; Samuel, died young; Catharine, wife of John Laub; Susan M., wife of Joseph Danner; Mary, wife of John Langenhagen; Robert, of Philadelphia; James; Owen, a farmer of Rittman, Ohio; Sophia, wife of George Ritz; Sabilla, wife of Joseph Mill.

James Bartholomew was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Pa., October 5, 1815, died at Beersville, same county, February 22, 1877, and his remains were interred in the cemetery at Stone Church. The greater part of his life was spent in Beersville, where he erected a substantial and commodious house, and where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was an active member of Stone Church, and a man of influence in his community. He married Mary Ann Laub, who died January 16, 1894, aged seventy-eight years. Children: John H., of whom further; Isabella, married Josiah Walk; Christina, married Edward Frank; William F., of Allentown; Jeremiah F.; Carolina A., married Jacob Trach; Elizabeth C., married Wilson F. Ritter; James A., of whom further.

John H. Bartholomew, son of James Bartholomew, was born in Moore township, between Beersville and Petersville, Northampton county, Pa., April 5, 1842, died December 7, 1903, and his remains were interred in the cemetery at Stone Church (Reformed). He was a laborer and for thirty-seven years, less twelve days, he was in the employ of Reyer & Smith, operators of stone quarries, and for twenty years he operated four lime kilns for this firm. He married Fianna Newhard, daughter of George and Froene Rebecca (Kieffer) Newhard, who resided at Cherryville, Northampton county, Pa. Children: George H., of whom further; Fianna R. C., married Elmer F. Rayden, of Northampton, Pa.

James A. Bartholomew, son of James Bartholomew, was born November 20, 1853, in Moore township, Northampton county, Pa. He worked at Catasauqua until 1885, when he removed to Allentown, his present place of residence. He was a wire mill worker until 1904, when his occupation was changed to that of watchman at the wire mill, whose service he entered April 26, 1888. He is a member of the United Evangelical Church. He married, in 1885, Harriet E. Heimloch, who bore him the following named children: Stella A., died aged twelve years; Bertha A., married Russell S. Gnisemer; Anna M., married J. V. Romich; Katie A., married Edgar G. Frankenfield; Ella M., Hattie S., Charles F., Florence M.

George H. Bartholomew, son of John H.



Bartholomew, was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Pa., April 29, 1874. He was educated in the public schools of his native township, and began his active career clerking in a general store at Northampton for H. D. Borger, in whose employ he remained for over ten years, after which he accepted a position with the Catasauqua Brewery as bookkeeper, continuing in this position up to the present time (1914). He took up his residence in Catasauqua, April 25, 1905, and resides at No. 109 Front street. He is a member of the Reformed church at Coplay, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Knights of Malta and Woodmen of the World. He married, April 2, 1900, Edna Moyer, daughter of Joel and Sarah (Hermany) Moyer. No issue.

Paul Bartholomew, grandfather of Henry P. Bartholomew, resided in Moore township, Northampton county, Pa., where he was a farmer and property owner, owning a portion of the original homestead, and this farm is still in the family name, now owned by a grandson, Andrew Bartholomew. He died about the year 1852, aged fifty-four years, and was buried at Moors-town church, Pa. His wife, after his death, married William Bartholomew, of Rimersburg, Clarion county, Pa., where she died aged eighty-two years, and is also buried there. Children of Paul Bartholomew; Mary, married a Mr. Arner; Lovinia, married Levi Schitz, who was killed in the Civil War; George; Lafayette, of whom further; Daniel; Rudolph; John Ephraim, father of Andrew, mentioned above Edward, killed in the Civil War.

Lafayette Bartholomew, son of Paul Bartholomew, was born in Moore township, Northampton county, Pa., in 1831, died in 1910, at Bath, Pa., and buried there. He was a tailor, and conducted a merchant tailoring business at Allentown from 1852 to 1857, and later at Bath. He was a member of Company H, One Hundred and Fifty-third Regular Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served eleven months, and he participated in the battle of Gettysburg after his enlistment had expired. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Bath, in which he served as deacon and elder, and was a Democrat, serving as assessor of Bath borough for three or four terms. He married Anna M. Issermoyer, daughter of ——— Issermoyer, who emigrated from Germany. Mrs. Bartholomew is residing in Allentown at the present time (1914), aged seventy-four years. Children: 1. Martha J., married Jacob H. Steckel; they lived and died at Trenton, N. J., and were buried at Bath, Pa. 2. Henry P., of whom further.

Henry P. Bartholomew, son of Lafayette Bar-

tholomew, was born in Allentown, Lehigh county, Pa., March 1, 1857. He was educated in the public schools of Bath. He began clerking in a general store at Bath at fourteen years of age. He was a storekeeper and gauger under Grover Cleveland's first and second administrations, near Bath. In 1890 he became the proprietor of the Catasauqua House, one of the leading hotels of that place, conducting it for ten years. In 1901 he became the proprietor of "The Brighton" at Bethlehem, conducting it until late in 1904, when he came to Allentown and after living retired for several years he engaged in his present business, wholesale wines and liquors, at No. 604 Hamilton street. He is a charter member of Eyrie No. 284, Fraternal Order of Eagles. He and his family are members of the Reformed church. He married, in 1876, Emma Bartholomew, daughter of Josiah and Rebecca (Barber) Bartholomew, of Bath, but of a different line of the family, her grandfather being Killian Bartholomew, who lived and died at Bath, Pa. Child: Dr. Claude L. Bartholomew, who was a druggist at Pottsville for five years, and for a number of years practiced medicine at Northampton and Williamsport, Pa.; married Clara Gilbert, of Bath; they reside at Allentown. Mrs. Henry P. Bartholomew died March 3, 1881, aged about twenty-five years, and is buried in the family plot at Bath.

Jacob Bartholomew, father of George Bartholomew, was born in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, Pa., in 1820, and died in 1883, aged sixty-three years, buried in Zion Reformed church cemetery. He learned the trade of stone mason when a young man, and followed the same for many years, and later in life he became a farmer, having a farm of forty-five acres in Powder Valley, Lehigh county, Pa., where his death occurred. He was a Democrat in politics. He married Lydia Bartholomew, who died in 1902. Children. 1. Hannah, married Benjamin Brey, deceased; she resides at Hosensack, Pa. 2. Mary, deceased; was the wife of Frank Tegley. 3. Amelia, married her brother-in-law, Frank Tegley; he died about the year 1900. 4. George. 5. Henry, owns the homestead farm at Powder Valley. 6. Rebecca, married Elmer Ball, of Emaus, Pa.

Henry Bartholomew, born in 1735, died March 30, 1801, who lived and died in the vicinity of Zion Stone church, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, was a farmer by occupation, and a member of the Stone church. He had a grandson, Jonas Bartholomew, whose record follows.

Jonas Bartholomew for a number of years

lived at Danielsville, Moore township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and later removed to Leighton, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, where his death occurred and where his remains were buried. He was a stone mason and his specialty was to make bake ovens. He and his family were members of the Reformed Church. He married Elizabeth Hess, who bore him the following named children: Robert, Levi, Jonas, of whom further; Jeremiah, of whom further; Sallie, married Samuel Kuhns; Nancy, married Fredrick Fisher; Helena, married John Ruch; Christiana, married a Kistler.

Jonas Bartholomew, son of Jonas Bartholomew, was born near Danielsville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, Sept. 21, 1829, died in West Catasauqua, Oct. 20, 1901, buried in Fairview Cemetery. He was a shoemaker and carpet weaver, which occupations he followed for many years at West Catasauqua. He was an active member of Salem Reformed church, serving as deacon and elder for many years. He married Salena Dieter, daughter of John and Salome (Driesbach) Dieter. She was born Sept. 20, 1833, died July 26, 1909. Children: Nathan A., of whom further; William H.; John F.; Ida E., died in early life at Pennsville; Ellen M., married Henry Schmoyer; Louisa C., married Wilson Kleckner; Emma, married Elmer Kingcaid.

Jeremiah Bartholomew, son of Jonas Bartholomew, Sr., was born at Bath, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, in 1834, died in 1807, aged sixty-three years. He was a tailor, and lived for many years at Neffsville and Slate-  
dale, where he followed his trade successfully. He married (first) Sept. 22, 1850, Susanna Stehle, who died April 23, 1857. He married (second) January 23, 1858, Eliza Frederick. Children of first wife: 1. Elizabeth Jane, born Jan. 30, 1851; married Francis Metzger. 2. James F., born Oct. 6, 1852; resident of Allentown. 3. Ellen Amanda, born Sept. 20, 1854; widow of Frank Reed. Children of second wife: 4. Jeremiah M., born August 4, 1858; resident of Allentown. 5. Sarah C., born March 31, 1860. 6. Margaret C., born July 12, 1862. 7. William H. H., born Nov. 19, 1863. 8. Emeline L., born June 24, 1866. 9. Louis D., born March 9, 1870; resident of Oxford, Tenn. 10. Margaret E. S., born March 19, 1874.

NATHAN A. BARTHOLOMEW, son of Jonas Bartholomew, Jr., was born in Pennsville, Fayette county, Pennsylvania, Jan. 25, 1856. He was educated in the common schools in the neighborhood of his home and at Muhlenberg College, attending the latter institution for twenty-five weeks. He served an apprenticeship at the trade

of moulder at Fullerton, Pennsylvania, with the Lehigh Car Wheel & Axle Works, entering their employ in 1870 and continuing to the present time, a period of forty-four years. He is a car wheel moulder and is one of the oldest employees in the service of the company. Since 1882 he has resided at No. 1019 North Third street, North Catasauqua. He is a Republican in politics. In 1905 he was made a member of the School Board of North Catasauqua, and in the fall of 1911 was elected under the new school code for four years, and he is also serving as treasurer of the new board. He was made a director upon the organization of the borough. Since 1874 he has been an active member of Salem Reformed church and of the Sunday school attached to it; he served as superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty-four consecutive years, and in 1909 was made superintendent emeritus, and he has served in the capacity of elder of the church since 1909, and he also wrote the history of the church and Sunday school for the History of Lehigh County. He is the owner of one of the finest libraries in the borough. He is a member of Catasauque Castle, No. 241, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and has served as the Master of Records of the lodge since 1892; he is also a member of Camp No. 301, Patriotic Order Sons of America.

Mr. Bartholomew married, April 26, 1881, Rebecca J. Gilbert, daughter of Edwin and Caroline (Tombler) Gilbert, of Catasauqua. Children: 1. Edwin J., born Sept. 12, 1882; a bench moulder at Fullerton; resides at North Catasauqua; married Meida M. Wenner; child, Edna M. 2. Harvey F., born April 7, 1885; graduate of Allen township high school, class of 1899; a moulder by trade; married Eva C. Wenner, sister of Meida M. Wenner; child, Ralph J. 3. Charles A., born Dec. 20, 1895; graduate of North Catasauqua high school, class of 1911.

Philip Bartholomew, born October 5, 1836, died January 31, 1911, buried at Stone church, (Reformed). He located in Northampton county, Pennsylvania, was a farmer, and the old homestead, located near Danielsville, was very large. His children were: Gideon, Philip, David, John, Heinrich. His wife, Maria, born June 23, 1844, died December 28, 1906.

Philip Bartholomew, a farmer, and who also sold rails and posts, had a part of the homestead, and was upwards of ninety years old at the time of his death. He married a Miss Huth, who was probably his second wife.

David Bartholomew, son of Henry Bartholomew, was born at Danielsville, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He was a carpet weaver.



He resided near Bath, Pennsylvania, from there removed to Catasauqua, same state; from there moved to Iowa City, Iowa, where he resided for less than a year, returning to Catasauqua with his family in 1855. He married (first) Mary Keiser; married (second) Sarah Kratzer. Children by first wife: Alexander, Amanda, married and had two children, died in Pittsburgh; Hannah, David, Sarah, Cyrus, John, Annie. The father of these children died in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, about the year 1892.

James Bartholomew, son of Henry Bartholomew, resided at Beersville, Pennsylvania. He was a tanner, and worked for twenty-seven years for Aaron Royes in the stone quarry near the Dry Run. He married Laub, who bore him the following named children: Isabella, married Josiah Walk, resides at Catasauqua; , married Samuel Burger; James, resides on Liberty street, Allentown.

Heinrich Bartholomew had two wives. Children by first wife: Henry, David, and several daughters. Children by second wife: Amos, Joel.

Rev. Aaron Abraham Bartholomew, born March 17, 1833, died August 15, 1903.

John Bartholomew was born at Cherryville, Northampton county, and was a farmer and butcher, following that occupation all his life. He died at the age of 48 years.

He married Ellen Houck, who now resides at Emaus. Issue: Grace, who married Howard Moatz, of Emaus, and Joseph.

JOSEPH BARTHOLOMEW, son of John and Ellen (Houck) Bartholomew, was born Feb. 15, 1877, near Centerville, Northampton county. He attended the public schools and assisted his father in his work. He later removed to Allentown, and entered the employ of William Taylor, grocer, as a clerk, remaining four years, then was for six years a clerk in the City Hotel, Allentown.

In 1908 he engaged in the automobile business, and now owns and conducts a taxicab business, having upwards of fifteen machines.

He is a member of Salem Reformed church and Fraternal Order of Eagles.

He married Minerva Kocher, daughter of Cyrus Kocher, of Allentown. Issue: Margaret; Anita; Harold; and Ruth Bartholomew.

VICTOR LEWIS BARTHOLOMEW was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, Aug. 18, 1879, educated in the township schools and brought up on a farm until he became 18 years of age; then he worked at different employments for two years, when he entered the employ of the Deter Portland Cement Company, at Nazareth, as fireman in their quarries. Subsequently he

served in other quarries there as fireman and engineer; as manager of the Trumbauer farm of 400 acres; as machinist in Bethlehem Steel Works; and as engineer of the Lehigh Steam Laundry in South Bethlehem, and of the Lehigh Bleach and Dye Works in Allentown, until 1911, when he became the engineer of the Horlacher brewery in Allentown, and this position he has held until the present time. He is a member of the American Order of Steam Engineers, of the Order of Moose, No. 539; and of the Reformed Church.

In 1909, Mr. Bartholomew was married to Nellie A. Schaffer, daughter of Charles and Alice (Titus) Schaffer, and they had five children: Truman Ellwood; Raymond Ambrose; Stanley, who died when two years old; Warren Paul; and Arthur Charles.

His father, Jeremiah Bartholomew, resides at Shoenersville, in Lehigh county, aged 62 years, where he was born and brought up on a farm. He conducted a hotel at Butztown for many years. He married Ellen App, and their only child has been Victor Lewis.

His grandfather was Jacob Bartholomew, of Catasauqua; married to Catharine Knappenberger, and they had three children: Jeremiah, James and Sarah.

#### BARRON FAMILY.

David Barron, the first of the family of whom we have definite information, was a native of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where he was reared and educated. He was a miller in the vicinity of Springtown, but later in life he engaged in the hotel business at Friedensburg and Coopersburg, in which he was successful. He married Maria Knecht, who bore him one son, Quintus. David Barron was a member of the Lutheran church. He was buried in the Blue church cemetery.

Quintus Barron was born in Springfield township, Bucks county, and died at Coopersburg, and his remains were interred in Blue church cemetery. His early life was spent in Springtown, where he attended the common schools and later worked in the mill, after which he became the proprietor of the Friedensburg Hotel, which he conducted for a number of years. Later he became the proprietor of the Barron Hotel at Coopersburg, which proved a profitable enterprise under his competent management, and he conducted the same until his death, being a widely known man. He was a Democrat in politics, and served as a member of the school board and as burgess of Coopersburg. He married Susan Merkel, daughter of David and Elizabeth Merkel, Children: Florence E., and Robert D.

ROBERT D. BARRON was born at Coopersburg,

April 3, 1887. He acquired a thorough education in the public schools of Coopersburg, and the high school of Coopersburg, from which he graduated in 1901, and Bethlehem Preparatory School, where he completed his studies. His first employment was in a general store in Seidersville, Northampton county, where he remained for about one year, and then accepted a clerkship in the Bethlehem Steel Company, remaining in their employ until 1908, in which year the First National Bank, of Coopersburg, was established, and Mr. Barron was chosen as its first cashier, in which capacity he has served ever since, gaining and retaining the confidence of his community. He is a member of the Lutheran Church; member of Coopersburg Lodge, No. 469, Free and Accepted Masons; and of Camp No. 511, Patriotic Order Sons of America.

Mr. Barron married, Oct. 3, 1911, Marguerite Gabriel, daughter of Milton S. Gabriel, a manufacturer at Coopersburg, whose history appears in this volume.

#### BASCOM FAMILY.

(I) Thomas Bascom, of French Huguenot descent, sailed from Plymouth, England, March 20, 1630, under the leadership of Rev. John Warren, A.M., in the ship "Mary and John," landing at Nantucket, May 30, 1630. He was at Dorchester in 1634; removed to Windsor, Connecticut, in 1639; town constable in Northampton, Massachusetts, in 1666; freeman in 1670; took Oath of Allegiance Feb. 6, 1678; died May 9, 1682. He married, prior to 1639, Avis, who died Feb. 3, 1676.

(II) Thomas, son of Thomas and Avis Bascom, was born in Windsor, Connecticut, Feb. 20, 1642, and died at Northampton, Massachusetts, Sept. 11, 1689. He married, March 20, 1667, Mary, born in March, 1640, a daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Olmstead) Newell, he was one of the first settlers of Farmington, Connecticut.

(III) Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary (Newell) Bascom, was born about 1668, and died at Northampton, Massachusetts, Feb. 3, 1714. His will is dated Jan. 28, 1713. He married Hannah, who died in January, 1747, a daughter of John Cantlin, of Deerfield, Massachusetts.

(IV) Ezekiel, son of Thomas and Hannah (Cantlin) Bascom, was born at Northampton, Massachusetts, Nov. 22, 1700, and died at Greenfield or Deerfield, in 1746. He married, March 6, 1728, Sarah Severance, who died in Deerfield, Massachusetts, Sept. 9, 1729.

(V) Elias, son of Ezekiel and Sarah (Severance) Bascom, was born at Deerfield, Massachu-

setts, May 8, 1737, and died at Orwell, Vermont, Nov. 29, 1833. He was a weaver by occupation, and served three months in the French War at Lake George, New York, and was an active participant in the battle of Saratoga, New York. He married, March 13, 1761, Eunice Allen, born Sept. 13, 1741.

(VI) Elias, son of Elias and Eunice (Allen) Bascom, was born at Northfield, Massachusetts, Feb. 27, 1762, and died at Orwell, Vermont, Oct. 4, 1804. He married, at Newport, New Hampshire, in May, 1782, Rebecca Stevens, born in November, 1763, died at Whitehall, New York, August 9, 1854.

(VII) Josiah, son of Elias and Rebecca (Stevens) Bascom, was born at Newport, New Hampshire, March 7, 1786, and died at Whitehall, New York, Jan. 24, 1863. He married, in 1809, Betsey, a daughter of Jesse and Betsey (Bennett) Bottum, and grand-daughter of David Bottum.

(VIII) Oliver, son of Josiah and Betsey (Bottum) Bascom, was born at West Haven, Vermont, June 13, 1815, and died at Whitehall, New York, Nov. 7, 1869. He was a chum of Horace Greeley. He was canal commissioner for the State of New York for the Eastern Division, which was at the time the principal asset of the state before the advent of railroads. He was always interested in navigation, and was president of the Northern Navigation Company. He married, Jan. 4, 1842, Almira Tanner, born at Granville, New York, April 3, 1882, a daughter of Samuel and Prudentia (Hitchcock) Tanner; grand-daughter of Collins and Eunice (Porter) Hitchcock, the latter a grand-daughter of Peter Porter, member of Congress. Mrs. Bascom died in 1912. They had six children.

(IX) Warren Franklin, eldest child of Oliver and Almira (Tanner) Bascom, was born at Whitehall, New York, Oct. 7, 1844, and died in the same town, April 17, 1912. He was president of the Board of Trade, and of the Board of Trustees of the Board of Education. His death occurred on the forty-fifth anniversary of his becoming a member of the Masonic fraternity, which he had joined upon attaining his majority. He was a member of the ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He was a Democrat, and a member and official of the Episcopal church. Mr. Bascom married, Sept. 25, 1867, Clara Barney Buell, born in Whitehall, March 4, 1846, and they became the parents of five children.

Mrs. Bascom is a daughter of Julio Thompson and Sarah Ann (Barney) Buell, a grand-daughter of George and Clarissa (Barney) Barney, and a lineal descendant of Jacob Barney,



the first Baptist minister in New England, and one of the founders of the first Baptist Society of Boston, in 1668. She is also a lineal descendant of William Buell, born in Chesterton, England, who came to America, May 30, 1630, and who was a son of Sir Robert and Catharine (Goode) Beyville, of Chesterton, Huntingtongshire, the latter a daughter of Sir John Goode. Sir Robert Beyville was a Knight of the Bath.

(X) HARRY FRANKLIN, son of Warren Franklin and Clara Barney (Buell) Bascom, was born at Whitehall, New York, July 29, 1873. He was educated in the public schools at his home and then became a student at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, New York, from which he was graduated in 1896, and was honored by being chosen president of his class. He then accepted a position with the Pennsylvania Steel Company, in the bridge department. He returned to the state of New York in 1898, being engaged in a special survey for the War Department for the proposed ship canal in this state. In March, 1899, he accepted the position of division engineer of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad, on construction work in Minnesota. April 1, 1900, he came to Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, as assistant engineer on the construction work of the foundations for No. 4 mill of the Atlas Cement Company. In July, 1901, he became associated with Colonel S. D. Lehr, under the firm name of Lehr & Bascom, as civil engineers. In November, 1908, Colonel Lehr retired, and in 1898 Mr. Bascom admitted to the firm John H. Sieger, the firm now being Bascom & Sieger. Mr. Bascom is a member of Lodge No. 130, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Theta Xi College Fraternity; Order of Founders and Patriots of America, Mr. F. A. R. Baldwin, of Allentown, being the only other member in this part of Pennsylvania, the requisites for membership being proof of ancestry residing in America prior to 1664, and proof that their descendants gave their support to the cause of the Colonies during the Revolutionary War. He is a Republican in political opinion, and was city engineer from 1903 to 1906; member of the Park Commission, 1905-1910; member of the Select Council, 1910, to December, 1913, when the commission form of government was instituted. He was president of the last city council. Mr. Bascom married, Nov. 24, 1903, Mary Ella Broughton, born at Rome, New York, Nov. 29, 1876, and have children: Warren Broughton, born Dec. 6, 1904; Elizabeth Marshall, Sept. 14, 1906; Franklin Buell, January 28, 1912. Mrs. Bascom is a daughter of Albert James and Ella Francis (Armstrong) Broughton; grand-daughter of

James Russel and Susan Keyes (Marshall) Broughton, and of Henry James and Mary Elizabeth (Thomas) Armstrong; and a descendant in direct line from John Broughton, who was killed in the War of the Revolution.

#### BAST FAMILY.

Jacob Henry Bast, a native of Alsace, came to America in the ship Crawford, which sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, stopped at Cowes, England, and arrived at Philadelphia on Oct. 25, 1773. He settled in Bethlehem township, Northampton county, where he was assessed as a tailor in 1786. He married Maria Ritter and had four children, the youngest born after his death. He was buried at Hecktown church. A sister, Maria Eve Bast, married Adam Reber, of Allen township. The children of Jacob Henry Bast were Jacob, John, Regina, and Martin.

Jacob Bast, his eldest son, was born Feb. 20, 1780. He died May 30, 1862, and was buried at Rittersville. He married Anna Barbara, daughter of Jacob and Salome (Sherer) Clader, who was born Sept. 29, 1782, and died April 13, 1832. Jacob and Anna Barbara Bast had ten children: Mrs. Annie Heilman; Mrs. Sarah Yerkes; Mrs. Susan Foulke, of Warsaw, Ind.; Margaret, wife of Joseph Waltman; Jacob, married Mary Ann Colver and had sons: Edward and De Forrest; Ephraim; Teresa, died young; Aaron; Catharine, b. 1820, d. 1899, married Charles Howard; and Anna Mary, wife of Augustus Halbach.

Rev. Ephraim Bast, son of Jacob, was born in Hanover township, Oct. 15, 1814. He became an Evangelical clergyman, married Louisa Gutekunst, and moved to Eureka, California, where they both died. They had five children:

Jacob Bast, born 1837, died 1894, in Chicago. He was an antique furniture dealer and married Margaret McHenry. They had one son, Elmer E., of Chicago.

Ulysses Bast, born Feb. 15, 1839, a contractor and carpenter, of Eureka, Cal. He married Jane Davis, and had two children, Hettie L. and George D.

Jeremiah Bast, born March 19, 1846, who was in the hotel business at Schuylkill Haven, Pa., and Titusville, Florida. He married Ella Kline and had children: Minnie, Lulu, Tillie, Linden, and Norton.

AMANDA R. BAST, born at Schuylkill Haven, March 22, 1849. She married, in 1872, John W. Ackerman, an architect, of London, England; later of Chicago, Ill. He was the son of George Ackerman, son of Rudolph, emigrated from Germany in 1740, who introduced lithog-

raphy in London and was the first to use gas in his store on the Strand, in London. They had one son, Albert George Ackerman, a detective, of Chicago.

Rev. William Bast, born Oct. 23, 1854, a Presbyterian pastor of Jasper, Indiana, who married Ella Lease. They have no children.

#### BASTIAN FAMILY.

The ancestors of this long settled Pennsylvania family were Christopher and Ann Bastian. They had a large family. Their daughter, Ann, was born May 24, 1739. She was married at St. Michael's church, Philadelphia, to Abraham Rex (1735-1793), and they had fourteen children. Other children of Christopher Bastian were: Christopher, Jr., Andreas, Mathias, Jonas and Michael. The last four resided for some years in Upper Milford township, now Lehigh county, and their names appear in the township tax list for 1762. Mathias Bastian arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 25, 1751, and settled in Upper Milford. His wife, Barbara, died Oct. 5, 1751, aged 25 years, ten days after her arrival in America. Mathias Bastian married on Feb. 28, 1752, Anna Catharine, daughter of Henry William Dillinger. Among their children were Rosina, Catharine, Anna Maria, Mathias, Jacob, Susanna and Margaret. About 1771 he removed from this vicinity.

Jonas Bastian arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 27, 1752, as a single man. On Oct. 15, 1752, he married Margaret Becker. They had children, Matthias, born 1753; Philip, born 1755; Jonas, born 1756; and Christopher, born 1760. After 1765, his name does not appear in Upper Milford, and he had probably removed from the locality. Andrew Bastian also resided in Milford township until about 1766, when he also removed from the vicinity. He and his wife, Magdalena, had children, Catharine, born 1759; Philip, born 1760, and David, born 1761. These four brothers were members of the Lutheran congregation that existed near Dillingersville, and contributed to its support from 1755 to 1765.

Michael Bastian, the ancestor of the present Lehigh county family, arrived at Philadelphia on Oct. 13, 1749, on the ship, Lydia, which sailed from Rotterdam, Holland. He settled shortly afterward in Upper Milford township. His name, and that of his wife, Magdalena, appears in the records of the old Lutheran congregation near Dillingersville, as among the communicants on May 21, 1750. On March 6, 1752, he procured a warrant for twenty acres of land. This tract was later owned by John Schuler and Moses Orth. He resided in the township until

about 1782, when he removed to Macungie township, where he was assessed in 1785, on 75 acres of land. He was an active member of the Lutheran congregation at Dillingersville, to which he annually contributed two shillings, and of which he was treasurer in 1757. About 1765 he became a member of the Lutheran congregation at the present Zionsville, where he remained a member until his removal from the township, when he became a member of the Salisbury congregation. Michael and Magdalena Bastian had the following children: Elizabeth, born Aug. 11, 1750; Michael, born Feb. 17, 1752; Casper, born Oct. 12, 1753; Christopher, born Oct. 4, 1758; Magdalena, born June 4, 1760; and Anna Eva, born Oct. 8, 1762.

Michael Bastian, the second, born Feb. 19, 1752, removed with his father to Macungie township, where he resided all his life and farmed a tract of land. He married Dorothea Kaem, and had these children: Catharine, born July 5, 1777; Michael, born Aug. 19, 1778; and Daniel, born April 3, 1783. Catharine (Dolly), was married to John Hoatz.

Daniel Bastian was born April 3, 1783, died May 4, 1871. He was married to Catharine Hartzell. He was a blacksmith at Wescoesville, Lehigh county.

Michael Bastian, third, was born Aug. 19, 1778, died March 14, 1844, and was buried at the Salisbury church. He occupied the homestead farm in Upper Macungie and was a very prosperous farmer. At the time of his demise he owned two large farms and his personal property was valued at \$30,000. He married Anna Maria Strauss, who was born Nov. 21, 1781, and died March 7, 1858. She is buried in Mertz's church graveyard, located on the old Mertz farm in South Whitehall township. Near the Lehigh county almshouse is located this historic church building which is known locally as "Der Bet Huegel," meaning "The Hill of Prayer." This building was also known as Mertz's church and there Mrs. Bastian worshipped regularly. Their union was blessed with twelve children, viz.:

NAME.	BIRTH.	MARRIED.
Veronica, .....	March 10, 1809, .....	Jonas Hiski.
Lydia, .....	July 31, 1811, .....	Charles Diehl.
Salome, .....	Sept. 9, 1813, .....	Elias Diehl.
Michael, .....	Nov. 7, 1815, .....	
Reuben, .....	June 15, 1818, .....	
Infant son, .....		
Hettie, .....		Nathan Wannamaker.
Polly, .....		Jonas Beitelman.
Eliza, .....		Jacob Gackenbach.
Mary, .....		Benjamin Gackenbach.
Daniel, .....		
Jonas, .....	March 25, 1826, .....	Rebecca Werner.

W. Jonas Bastian, son of Michael and Anna Maria (Strauss) Bastian, was born in Lower Macungie township, March 25, 1826. He was



a farmer near East Texas and his farm was about 60 acres. From there he removed upon a farm near Macungie, where he continued the agricultural pursuit until he retired and moved to Allentown, where his faithful and good wife died, past eighty years of age.

W. Jonas Bastian and family were active members of the Evangelical church. They had the following children: 1. Alfred, who lives in Ohio. He married (first) Amanda Litzenberger, who bore him two children, Erney and Harvey. He married (second) Mary Seiberling, and they had two children, viz.: Anna and an infant, who is deceased. 2. Sarah, married George Knerr, and their children are Martha and Edward. 3. Frank, deceased, married Leanda Stevens, and their children were: Sarah, Kate, William, Emma and Elda. 4. Maria, deceased. 5. Charles M. married Catharine Hauseman and their children are Hattie, Alvin and Edward. 6. George J., deceased. 7. Morris Clinton, whose history follows. 8. Walter Eugene, whose history follows. 9. George, deceased, married Emma Fehr.

MORRIS CLINTON BASTIAN, treasurer of the Arbogast & Bastian Company, was born June 21, 1859. His early education was limited to attendance at the public schools of his native neighborhood during the winter months, the remainder of the year being devoted to assisting with the work on the home farm and working in the ore beds. At the age of seventeen years he attended the State Normal School at Millersville, for a year. After returning home, he again aided his father in the cultivation of the farm, and remained with his parents until he was almost twenty-five years old. He then established a general store at Allentown, in 1885, which he conducted successfully for two years. In 1887 he became associated with Wilson Arbogast in instituting the firm of Arbogast & Bastian, and bore a full share in the labors and responsibilities of bringing its business to its present high prestige. At the incorporation of the Arbogast & Bastian Company in 1902, he was called to the position which he now occupies, that of treasurer, and in which he has displayed the qualities of a master financier. As in the case of him who has been his partner from the inception of their great enterprise, his success has been attained through no adventitious circumstances, but is purely the logical reward of persistent and well directed effort. Mr. Bastian is highly regarded in the community for his personal excellencies of character as well as for his commercial value to the city. He is a Republican in politics; and socially he is a high degree Free Mason, having membership in Barger Lodge,

Allentown, since 1896. He is also a charter member of Washington Camp, No. 406, P. O. S. of A.

Mr. Bastian is a director of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company since 1912, and of the Jordan Mutual Fire Insurance Company. In the summer of 1914 he erected his fine residence at the corner of Hamilton and St. Cloud streets, Allentown.

Morris C. Bastian was married to Emma Schuler, daughter of Damus and Maria (Auer) Schuler, and they had six children, as follows: Blanche R., (married to William Shafer, of Allentown, and they have three sons, John, Morris, and Joseph); Marjorie and Emily (students in the Allentown Collegè for Women); Walter, (who is attending the Pennsylvania State Military College, at Chester); and the first child who died in infancy, and the third, a daughter, Mamie died of diphtheria at the age of five years.

Mr. Bastian is a prominent lay member of the East Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical Church. He has been a delegate to the annual conference since the year 1900, and was one of the delegates to the General Conference of the Church which assembled at Barrington, Illinois, in October, 1914. He is a member of the Seibert church, Allentown, which he has served faithfully as a trustee since 1895. He was one of three men who donated a Bates & Culley pipe organ to the Seibert congregation, and he donated a piano to the Pastor's Bible Class of Seibert Sunday school, of which he is a regular member. Before his removal to Allentown, he was an official member of the Sunday school at East Texas, Pa. In 1913, the East Pennsylvania Conference elected Mr. Bastian one of the trustees of Albright College, at Myerstown, Pa.

WALTER EUGENE BASTIAN, son of W. Jonas and Rebecca (Wenner) Bastian, was born at East Texas, this county, April 1, 1865. He attended the public schools of his community and his youth was spent upon the farm. Afterwards, from 1885 to 1891, he was engaged in farming at Wescoesville. In 1892 he came to Allentown and became a driver for Arbogast & Bastian, and he continued in that position until 1902, at which time the firm of Arbogast & Bastian Company were incorporated, and he became vice-president, which position he served for three years. He continues to serve as a director of the company and is a valuable member of this successful concern.

In politics Mr. Bastian is a Republican and has served as a member of the school board of Allentown, from the old First ward. He is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 67, F. & A. M., since 1913.

Walter E. Bastian was married to Victorinne Horlacher, daughter of Hiram and Lovina (Ruff) Horlacher, whose other children were: Michael, Allen, Lillie, Amanda, deceased, and Victorinne, the wife of Mr. Bastian. Mr. and Mrs. Bastian have two children, viz: Harry H., and Myrtle R.

ERNEY E. BASTIAN was born June 22, 1867, in Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county, the son of Alfred and Amanda (Litzenberger) Bastian. He attended the public schools of his native township at Kuhnsville. In the spring of 1884, he came to Allentown and entered the store of Koch and Shankweiler, at 618 Hamilton street, where he remained ten years. In 1894 he started in business as a member of the firm of Bastian Brothers and Bastian, at 629 Hamilton street, which firm continued in business until the death of George J. Bastian in 1901, when the firm was changed to Bastian Brothers. In April, 1906, the business was removed to 540 Hamilton street, and in January, 1909, Harvey E. Bastian having retired from the firm, the name was changed to Bastian & Frederick, engaged in tailoring and gentlemen's furnishing line.

HARVEY JONAS BASTIAN, son of Alfred and Amanda (Litzenberger) Bastian, was born at East Texas, Lehigh county, Oct. 7, 1868. He received his education in the public schools, and, in 1884, came to Allentown and entered the employ of Koch & Shankweiler, where he remained for nine years. In January, 1894, he started in business as a member of the firm of Bastian Brothers and Bastian, which firm continued until the death of George J. Bastian in 1901, when the firm was changed to Bastian Brothers. In April, 1906, they removed their tailoring and gent's furnishing business to 540 Hamilton street. In January, 1909, Harvey E. Bastian withdrew from the firm and associated himself with Mr. Charles Rau under the firm name of Bastian and Rau, continuing in the same line of business at 830 Hamilton street.

In politics Mr. Bastian is a Democrat, and a member of St. Luke's Lutheran church, which he served as deacon for twelve years and as a trustee for about seven years. Fraternally he belongs to B. P. O. E. and I. O. R. M.

On Oct. 12, 1898, he was married to Julia, daughter of Tilghman Lichtenwalner, and resides at 509 N. Sixth street, Allentown.

Mr. Bastian is a member of St. Michael's Lu-

theran church, and served seven years as a deacon in that congregation. He is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M., High Priest of Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M., P. T. I. M. of Allen Council, No. 23, R. & S. M., of Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar, of Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Caldwell Consistory, 32, Bloomsburg, Pa., of St. Mary's Conclave, No. 5, Red Cross of Constantine, and of Mary Livingstone Chapter, No. 167, O. E. S. He was married, Oct. 23, 1890, to Miss Annie M. Kistler, daughter of the late Rev. Reuben Kistler and Matilda Ritter. He has two children, Reuben J. and Mary R. Bastian, and resides at 1236 Chew street, Allentown.

CHARLES A. BACHMAN, D. D. S., son of Phaon Bachman, was born in Lynn township, Lehigh county, Sept. 10, 1873. He spent his boyhood days on the farm and attended the rural schools. By faithful application he prepared himself for the profession of teaching, and after teaching several years he studied dentistry in the College of Dental Surgery at Philadelphia, from which institution he was graduated in 1900. The following year he opened a office in Emaus, and by his skill and science has built up an extensive practice. Mr. Bachman is public-spirited and takes an active interest in whatever pertains to the material and moral welfare of the borough, of which he is a citizen. He was president of the Mercantile Club for several terms, and during the Golden Jubilee of Emaus was a member of the ways and means committee and chairman of the decoration committee. He is a member of the board of trade, the I. O. O. F. and also the Encampment. He is widely known in his profession and holds membership in the Lehigh Valley Dental Association, Pennsylvania State Dental Association, the Wilbur F. Litch Society of Stromathology and of the Susquehanna Valley Dental Association. He was married March 30, 1902, to Viola Erdman, a daughter of O. H. Erdman and his wife, Alvesta Kemmerer, of Steinsville, Bucks county, and a granddaughter of Henry and Elisabeth (Shimer) Erdman. She was educated in the local schools and Perkiomen Seminary. This union is blessed with three children. Mr. and Mrs. Bachman are members of the Reformed congregation in Emaus, in which he has served as elder. They resided in their beautiful home on Main street, where they are happy in the entertainment of their large circle of friends.



THOMAS Q. BATES.

Thomas Q. Bates was born in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, in 1852, son of Benoni and Mary (Saunders) Bates.

Mr. Bates attended the public schools of his community and at the age of eleven years he came to Allentown and when fourteen years old entered the employ of M. J. Kramer, a well-known dry-goods merchant who was located at the corner of Sixth and Hamilton streets, Allentown. He remained in the employ of Mr. Kramer until the latter retired from business, at which time he became a trusted employee of Mr. Thomas Lucas & Sons, at Scranton, Pa. Afterwards he became associated with Simpson, Cleland & Taylor, which firm ultimately developed into the present well known concern trading under the name of John Taylor & Co., Allentown, better known as the Globe Store at Seventh and Hamilton streets. Mr. Bates had been one of the proprietors of the Taylor & Co., for many years and when the firm opened their branch at Bethlehem he had charge of it there and continued to serve this responsible position until the time of his death which occurred on Feb. 8, 1914, at his late residence, No. 20 South Fourteenth street. This home Mr. Bates had built in 1908, and there his widow and family continue to reside.

Mr. Bates was a self-made man and possessed the virtues of absolute honesty, fidelity to duty, and a keen insight into business methods. He was a conservative but at the same time progressive and alert citizen. He never forgot his own beginning in life and was always willing to aid deserving young men in their endeavor to win success.

He was a member of the St. John's Reformed church, of Allentown. Fraternally he had membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His greatest enjoyment was in the association and fellowship of his wife and children and in pursuing his business duties. He enjoyed an untarnished reputation and his successful and useful life was "too brief."

Thomas Q. Bates was happily married, in 1882, to Alice S. Woodring, a daughter of C. Frank and Christiana (Keefer) Woodring. Their union was blessed with two daughters, as follows: Beulah W., married to Carl L. Goersch, of Allentown, who are the parents of one son: Carl Bates Goersch; and Effie Angie Bates, who resides with her mother.

LOUIS H. BAUM.

Louis H. Baum, druggist at Slatington, was born at Philadelphia, Pa., on Aug. 22, 1881. After receiving his preliminary education in the

local schools and Ursinus College, at Collegeville, attended the Medico-Chi College, at Philadelphia, and also the American Optical College, from which he was regularly graduated. He then served as a prescription clerk in some of the best drug stores at Philadelphia for ten years, which gave him a large experience and qualified him as a specialist, and on April 1, 1906, located at Slatington for the purpose of carrying on the drug business, with special attention to the compounding of prescriptions and since then he has conducted the Baum Drug Store, at No. 320 Main street, in a very successful manner. One of his special preparations is "Baum's Corn Remedy," which is recognized as a superior article and has a wide sale.

Dr. Baum is a member of the New York & London Drug Co., and the American Druggists Syndicate; also of Knights of Friendship, Knights of Pythias, and Foresters of America, at Slatington, and of the B. P. O. E., No. 130, at Allentown. In politics he is a Republican; and he has served as a school director for two terms, officiating as president of the board for a time, his second term expiring in 1915.

Dr. Baum was married to Leona Hamilton, daughter of Alexander, a skilled musician, of Chester, Pa., and they have one child, Thelma H. His father is David H. Baum, and his mother was Anna Trefz, both natives of Germany.

BAUSCH FAMILY.

Adam Bausch, a native of Claystadt, Germany, emigrated to the United States in 1832, settling at Wormelsdorf, Berks county, Pennsylvania. He was born in the year 1808, and died Oct. 6, 1892, at Wormelsdorf where he and his wife are buried. He was married to Elizabeth, a daughter of Rudolph Stoner. She was born at Newmantown, Lebanon county, Pa., in the year 1815 and died on Oct. 16, 1897. They were active members of the Evangelical church, in which Mr. Bausch served in the various offices. He was affectionately known as "Father" Bausch. He was a laborer and for many years was employed by his friend and fellow countryman, John Yost, who hailed from the same place in Germany as himself, but emigrated at an earlier date. The six children of this family follow: (1) Augustus; (2) Catharine, who was killed at the age of ten years by an insane man named John Seidert. This sad act aroused much sympathy for the afflicted family; (3) Franklin H.; (4) Sarah, a maiden lady; (5) Adam M., who is unmarried. He and his sister, Sarah, live together at Wormelsdorf; (6) Mary is the wife of John B. Murtaugh, of Elizabeth, Pa.

Augustus Bausch was born Dec. 3, 1840. He

was brought up upon the farm, and for six years he worked in the John Yost brewery in Wormelsdorf. In 1856 he began clerking in stores. He was employed at Reading, Lebanon, Myerstown, Philadelphia, in Perry county, also in Wormelsdorf, to which place he returned in 1867, to engage in the mercantile business, which he followed until his death in 1912. He and family were members of the Salem United Evangelical Church, in which he held various offices, and was the superintendent of the Sunday school for many years.

In 1875, he married Emma C., daughter of Isaac Miller, formerly postmaster at Wormelsdorf. Their four children are: (1) Carrie M., married Rev. Edward C. Leinbach, a Reformed minister of Wormelsdorf; (2) Edna is the wife of Rev. Elmer Leinbach, a Reformed minister at Millersburg, Pa.; (3) Rev. Robert A., a minister of the United Evangelical Church, and (4) Emma E.

Frank H. Bausch, of Allentown, was born at Wormelsdorf, Berks county, March 23, 1849. He came to Catasauqua in 1862 to live with an uncle. At fifteen years of age he learned the tin-smith, plumbing and gas-fitting trade, which he followed as journeyman some years. Later he clerked in the store; was a travelling salesman. For eighteen years he was a wholesale and retail dealer in confectionery and ice cream at Third and Hamilton streets, Allentown. After retiring from the business he became a salesman again and for ten years was employed by Zellner Brothers, tobacconists, of Allentown.

In 1875 he married Sadie, daughter of William Cole, of Trenton, N. J., who came to Allentown when she was sixteen years old. They had five children, two of whom died young. Their other children are: Mary E. (m. Edward Harwick); Jennie W. (m. George Franck); and Dr. Frederick R.

DR. FREDERICK R. BAUSCH, of Allentown, was born in that city, June 8, 1879. He was educated in the public schools; graduated from Allentown High School in 1896; graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1900; and the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn., in 1904. He was elected resident physician at the Pittston Hospital for the years 1904 and 1905. During 1906, he had charge of the practice of another physician and afterward he located at Allentown where he enjoys an extensive practice.

He is an active member of the Y. M. C. A., of Allentown; and member of St. John's Lutheran church, in which he held various offices. Mr. and Mrs. Bausch are also active in Sunday school work.

Socially he has membership in the following lodges: Barger Lodge No. 333, F. & A. M., Pittston Royal Arch Chapter, No. 242; Allen Commandery No. 20, K. T., Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Reading, F. M. C. No. 804; Order of Heptasophs, Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. E., and the Loyal Order of Moose.

In Nov. 1911, Dr. Bausch was elected a councilman from the First Ward. He is a member of the Board of Tuberculosis Dispensary No. 51, Department of Health, Pennsylvania; and member of the U. S. Board of pension examiners for Lehigh county, having been appointed in 1909 by President William H. Taft.

Dr. Bausch is connected with the following medical societies: Lehigh Valley Medical Society, Lehigh County Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, the American Medical Association; and is the Librarian of the Academy of Medicine, of Allentown.

On June 10, 1908, he was married to Mabel Rebecca Deisher, a daughter of Jacob and Rosa (Schmoyer) Deisher, residents of Allentown, and prominent members of the Evangelical church. Dr. and Mrs. Bausch are the parents of these children: Frederick R., Jr., and Dorothea E.

#### WILLIAM BEALER.

William Bealer, of Allentown, Pa., was born in Springfield township, Bucks county, May 19, 1886. He is the son of Levi G. and Sarah A. (Meyers) Bealer, prosperous farming people of the county named. He attended the public schools of his native township and was graduated in 1903. Later he took three different courses in the Scranton Correspondence School and he holds three diplomas from that institution. He worked on the farm until he became twenty years old, then he was engaged as electrical engineer for the Bethlehem Steel Co., and he filled the position for five and one-half years, when failing health obliged him to resign. In October, 1911, he moved to Allentown and accepted an outdoor position with the Colonial Life Insurance Co., and this position he filled until November, 1912, when he resigned to engage in the real estate business. He is a large real estate owner in Allentown.

Mr. Bealer and family are Lutheran members of the Springfield Church in Bucks county. On May 20, 1910, he married Matilda A. Hottle, daughter of John and Alice (Mease) Hottle of Springfield township and they have twin sons, Claude and Clarence. Her parents have six sons and six daughters.



BECHTEL FAMILY.

John George Bechtel emigrated from Germany to America about 1740. He settled in Exeter township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, and there he owned land which he cultivated. His wife was Anna Mary Klingman and they had two children: George; and Catharine, who was married to Samuel Sands, and their children were: Catharine, Elizabeth, Hannah, Rebecca, Sarah, James, Samuel and John. George Bechtel had the following children:

Mary, married Conrad Garver.  
Elizabeth married Jacob Harner.  
Hannah married Matthias Gilbert.  
Catharine married John Yocum.

David was the father of Henry, David, Levi, Samuel, Harriet, Sarah, Matilda, Catharine, and Mary.

George was the father of Hannah, Sarah, Mary, Isaac, Peter, and Joseph, who had George, Jacob, David, and John.

William was the father of Peter, William, Thomas, Charles, Augustus, Francis, Frederick, Sarah, and Anna.

Jacob was the father of George, Harriet, Levi, Allen, Angeline, Mary, Francis, Richard, Frederick, and Lindsey.

Peter was the father of Mary, Rebecca, William, Joshua, Reuben, Jonas, and Samuel.

John was the father of Susan, Sarah, Mary, Aaron, William, George, Jacob, Henry, John, and Samuel.

Abraham Bechtel, son of William, of Berks county, was born in the vicinity of Bechtelsville, Berks county, Pa., May 24, 1838. In the Civil War he was a member of Company G, 12th Regiment, Pa. Vol. Infantry. After the war he settled in Washington township, Lehigh county, and there worked at the long abandoned Lehigh furnace. Later he was employed in the slate quarries. His widow, Elizabeth Jane Lentz, still occupies the family homestead, near the Lehigh furnace. The family were members of the Slatedale Evangelical Church, in which the father served various offices. He and his family were much respected in the community. He died March 23, 1906, and is buried on the family plot at Slatedale. They had eleven children: Alavesta S. (m. Wm. Breish); John; Mary (m. David Nicholas, of Cherryville, Pa.); Aaron (1871-1905); Sarah (deceased); Emma (m. T. A. Gerbig, of Scranton, Pa.); Frank W.; James R. (of California); Lewis O. (of Treichler's, Pa.); Thomas A.; and Dora. The last two are unmarried and reside with their mother.

FRANK W. BECHTEL, son of Abraham, was born at Slatedale, July 4, 1877. He is a truck

farmer and poultry raiser in North Whitehall township, since 1910. He was reared upon a farm near the old Lehigh furnace and there he attended the public schools, and he also attended the Slatington High School. He was granted a teacher's certificate in 1895 and then taught school in Washington township for seven successive terms. Afterward he bought the property, stock, and good-will of the Slatedale bakery, which he conducted for more than seven years, when he sold it to the present proprietor, E. J. Gross.

On Oct. 1, 1910, he purchased an excellent farm of 50 acres, situated one-fourth mile north of Neff, in Lehigh county. It was the homestead of Stephen Miller and he was succeeded by his son, John Miller. Stephen Miller erected the present large brick residence on the place.

Socially he is a member of these lodges: Camp No. 216, Sons of Veterans; Star of the North Commandery No. 92, Knights of Malta; Lodge No. 294, Knights of Pythias; and Modern Woodmen of America No. 8304, all of Slatington, Pa.

He was united in marriage Jan. 1, 1903, to Mabel C. Kistler, a daughter of Charles Kistler, whose full history appears elsewhere in this volume.

BECK FAMILY.

This family is an old Northampton county family and has been prominently identified with the medical profession in that county for a number of years. The following facts are gathered from the records in the Northampton county court house. A petition dated Jan. 9, 1767, of William Beck, of Moore township, whose father Henry had died leaving a widow and six children. Another petition dated Feb. 8, 1779, of Frederick Beck, oldest son of William Beck, of Moore township. The following wills are also recorded in the same court house. George Beck, Sr., of Nazareth township, made a will dated Nov. 18, 1791, proved Sept. 4, 1792. It mentions his wife Catharine and these children: Andrew, Anna Mary, wife of Thomas Hartman; Henry, Margaret, wife of John Hill; Anna Elizabeth and George. Jacob Beck, of Upper Mt. Bethel, made his will July 8, 1815, which was probated July 31, 1819. It mentions his wife Mary and that there were twelve children but does not mention their names. George Ludwig and son-in-law Jacob Reimel were the executors.

Peter Beck was the progenitor of one line of this family. His son John Henry was the father of George H. Beck who was born on the old Beck homestead in Lower Nazareth township,

April 1, 1798. He was married to Elizabeth Johnston, who was born in 1800 and they became the parents of eleven children: Henry J., Jacob, John P., Charles F., William G., Simon P., Elizabeth, Sabina, Samuel J., Jones E., Stephen C. Mr. Beck died in 1879 and Mrs. Beck died in 1876.

Charles F. Beck, son of George H. and Elizabeth Beck, was born in Nazareth township, Northampton county, March 14, 1831. He remained on his father's farm until he was seventeen years old when he was employed in a grocery store and later in a lumber yard. From 1852 to 1854 in company with his brother he conducted a general merchandise store at Nazareth. In 1854 he took charge of the American Hotel and conducted it for nine years. In 1864 he formed a partnership with Thomas Frederick and the firm known as Frederick & Co. started the car shops in Fullerton. For a number of years he was traveling salesman for Allen, Son & Co., of Philadelphia.

He was one of the moving spirits in the organization of the English Lutheran Church in Catasauqua in which he took a keen interest. In 1854 was married to Catharine a daughter of Solomon Biery. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Beck: George F., an accomplished musician, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music of Boston; David J., Franklin C., Henry S. and an infant.

FRANKLIN C. BECK, of Catasauqua, was born April 29, 1861. He learned the machinist trade when a young man, which he followed four years. He was employed as clerk at Sixth and Hamilton, Allentown, and at Bethlehem, with Riegel, Courtright & Solt. From 1884 to 1889 he conducted a general merchandise store at 236 Front street, Catasauqua. He conducted the Catasauqua news agency until 1908.

In July, 1911, he became the senior member of the firm of Beck & Frey, plumbers, gas and steam fitters. Mr. Beck belongs to the Republican party. He was elected assessor of the Fourth ward in Catasauqua in 1911. He is a trustee of Trinity Lutheran Church since 1906. In 1886 he was married to Sarah E. Scheidy, a daughter of Reuben and Eliza A. (Keck) Scheidy. Issue: May C. and Helen S.

Among the sisters of Reuben Beck were Lovina, married to Jacob Kuntz and Elizabeth, married to Owen Brong. He was a shoemaker by trade and conducted a hotel at Kreidersville for thirty-six years, retiring in 1888. He died in 1890, aged 74 years. He was a Democrat and was Postmaster at Kreidersville for one year. He was married to Henrietta Cole with whom he

had the following children: Nathaniel, Amanda, wife of Aaron Laubach, and Milton C.

MILTON C. BECK, of Cementon, was born at Kreidersville, Aug. 18, 1852. At the age of 18 years he learned the coachmaking trade which he followed three years at Egypt, and later at Nazareth. In 1876 he moved to Catasauqua, and in 1888 he succeeded his father in the hotel business at Kreidersville. Later he moved to Allentown, where he resided until 1893, when he moved to Cementon, where he has since resided and follows wheelwright work. He is a member of the Reformed congregation at Cementon, which he served at a deacon. In 1880 he was married to Sabina, daughter of Tilghman Kohler.

#### FRANKLIN P. BECK.

Franklin P. Beck, farmer of Lowhill, was born July 10, 1852, in the township, near Bittner's Corner, and there brought up and educated until he became sixteen years old. He then attended the Keystone State Normal School for one term, and learned the trade of tailor under his father. He followed this occupation, assisting his father for twenty years; and afterward several years by himself. In 1892, he bought the farm of 116 acres where he resides and since then has carried on farming in a successful manner. He has served as a school director since 1893, acting as secretary of the Board; also as postmaster of the Lowhill office from 1875 to 1905, when the office was discontinued on account of the introduction of the Rural Free Delivery through that section of territory.

In 1877, Mr. Beck, was married to Sophia H. German, daughter of Jonas, a merchant and farmer at New Tripoli; and they have two children: Charles F., and Daisy I.

Charles F., the son, was married to Ellen I. Bittner and they have two children, Ellwood H. and Ralph F.; and Daisy I., the daughter, was married to Robert E. Brobst and they had three children: Earl F., Warren S., and Paul W., the last-named having died in infancy.

Charles E. Beck, the father of Franklin, was born Sept. 17, 1825, in Maxatawny township, in Berks county, and there brought up and educated in the township school. His parents then moved to N. Whitehall and there he learned the trade of tailor under his father and he continued with him until he married in 1851, when he located in Lowhill township. He followed tailoring for thirty-five years. He served as treasurer of the Lowhill church for many years, and as postmaster of the Lowhill office for ten years, from 1865 to 1875, when he was succeeded by his son. He died Dec. 18, 1875. He



was married to Caroline George, daughter of Peter George and his wife, Rosina Werley; and they had two children: Franklin P. (above) was born June 15, 1830, and died Feb. 9, 1907.

His wife's father, Jonas German, was born in Heidelberg township, June 3, 1823, where he was reared and educated. He afterward located at New Tripoli, where he carried on store-keeping and farming for many years. He died July 5, 1900. He was married to Maria Haerter (Harter), daughter of Jacob Haerter and his wife, Lydia Blos, and they had four children: Sophia H. (above); Henry W. (m. Lucinda Steiger); Louise H. (m. James A. Miller), and Tevillia A., who died when twelve years old. Her grandfather was Jacob German, who married Catharine Stemler.

#### BECKER FAMILY.

John Becker, was a native of Upper Milford township and there he is buried. He was a farmer by occupation. He married Mary Sharp. They were members of the Evangelical Church. Their children were: John, William, Solomon, Jonathan, Samuel, and Lydia, married to a Sicher.

Solomon Becker, son of John, was born in 1827. He came to Allentown in 1852, and followed the carpenter trade. During the Civil War he had enlisted for three years in Company G, 147th Regiment, as a sergeant. After the war he continued to follow his trade up to two years before his death, which occurred in June, 1904. He married Susanna, daughter of Jesse Bitting, of Upper Milford. They had eleven children, namely: Henry, Maria, Charles, Emma, Carrie, Obediah, Hannah, William, Samuel, George, and Clara, twins.

Obediah Becker, son of Solomon, is the superintendent of the Rescue Mission, at Allentown. He was born April 14, 1859, learned the shoemaking trade at the age of sixteen and this he followed up to 1903. In 1892 he was soundly converted to God, and after January 19th of that year until the present time he has taken an active interest in religious work. He has served the Evangelical Church as class-leader, Sunday school teacher and was active in Christian Endeavor work. He was instrumental in establishing the Rescue Mission, of which he has been the efficient superintendent ever since. The United Evangelical Church in 1909, granted him a local license to preach the Gospel, and in 1911, the annual conference of the church which convened in Seibert church, Allentown, granted him a regular license. He conducts daily services at the mission, and has preached in different churches in eastern Pennsylvania.

In 1877 he married Rosa E., daughter of John Eisenhart, of Allentown. They had eleven children, all of whom are deceased, except Mrs. Elsie Wertman; Mrs. Beulah Wieand; Harold; and Florence.

#### BEEBE FAMILY.

The Beebe family have resided in the state of Pennsylvania for many generations.

Daniel Beebe, who lived in Delaware and Chester counties, Pennsylvania, was a contractor and builder by occupation, and completed some important enterprises. He served with honor in the Civil War. He married Rachel Darlington. Among their children was a son, B. Darlington.

B. Darlington Beebe was born near Thornton, Delaware county, and was educated there in the public schools. He was still a young lad when he learned the carpenter's trade under the supervision of his father, and he followed in his footsteps as a contractor and builder, with which he has been successfully identified all his life. In later years he removed to West Chester, Pa., and there he continues to reside and follows the same business. His political affiliations are with the Republican party, and he is a devout member of the Methodist Church, while Mrs. Beebe is a Baptist. Mr. Beebe married Sallie Stelle, whose parents were Quakers. Children: Horace O., of further mention; Laurence, of Thornton; Adeline, married Charles Nesbit, of West Chester; Henry J., also in West Chester.

Horace O. Beebe, son of B. Darlington and Sallie Stelle (Doane) Beebe, was born in West-town township, Chester county, Aug. 25, 1884, and acquired his education in the public schools. He learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and was associated with him in business until 1905, when he removed to Allentown, Pa., and there became foreman in the construction of the Homeopathic State Hospital, at Rittersville, for his uncle, Frederick T. Beebe, and retained this position until 1912. In that year he established himself independently as a contractor and builder. In order to make the contracts he undertakes as complete and beautiful as is possible with the means placed at his disposal, Mr. Beebe has studied architecture with the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, and constructed a number of buildings, until in August, 1913, he accepted a position with the Trexler Lumber Company. Mr. Beebe is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, and of the Knights of the Golden Eagle and the Masonic Fraternity, having membership in Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M. He married, June 18, 1907, Winifred Victoria Dubbs, whose family history is given below. They have one child, Ernest Dubbs, born July 4, 1911.

## BEITELMAN FAMILY.

The Federal Census of 1790 gives name of a Didrich Beidelman and wife as residents in Alsace township, Berks Co. Presumably Jacob and Jonathan are descendants of aforesaid. Jacob Beitelman lived in Lower Macungie township, and had these children: Benjamin, Jacob, William, Ephraim, Amelia and Caroline married ——— Desh. Of these children Ephraim died Jan. 2, 1913. He was born at Pleasant Valley on June 12, 1845. On July 18, 1863, he enlisted as a private in Company B, Fourteenth U. S. Infantry. He served until the end of the war and then re-enlisted in the regular army and was honorably discharged at Camp Grant in 1868, with the rank of a sergeant.

He returned home to Bethlehem and resumed his duties as a carpenter and millwright. He was married to Savilla Oldt, of Schnecksville, and with his family moved later to Jacksonville, Florida. While his family resided there he worked for mining companies in Cuba and in Arizona and five years ago left the latter place to become superintendent in a large machinery manufacturing plant in Mexico City, where he was until October, 1911.

He is survived by the following children: Harry, of Allentown; Robert L., of Mexico, and Bessie, Goldie and Fritz, of Jacksonville, Fla.

Jonathan Beitelman, a brother of aforesaid Jacob, was born in Whitehall in 1800, died in 1861, aged 61 years, and is buried on the Evangelical Cemetery in Whitehall township. By trade he had been a tailor, conducting the same first in Whitehall, later in Lower Macungie township. Having purchased a farm of upwards of 70 acres in Lower Macungie township, he spent thereon the last year of his life. He had been an active member of the Evangelical Church at Wescoesville. His wife, Maria (b. July 12, 1802—died April 20, 1847) was a daughter of the late Michael Bastian. Their children were: 1, Mary, married to James Wenner; 2, Caroline, wife of William Lobach; 3, Jonas, of Tiffin, Ohio; 4, John; 5, Elemina; 6, Sallie, married to Daniel Hertzog; 7, Polly, wife of Wm. Keider, late of Tiffin, Ohio. Of the aforesaid, John and Sallie are the only ones living.

John Beitelman, son of Jonathan, was born March 15, 1829, and worked for his father until he was past age. In 1854, he began farming in Upper Macungie township, which he prosecuted for three years, when he began contracting and digging iron ore for the Thomas and Crane Iron Companies, which he continued for

twenty years. Since 1902, he resides at Breingsville, serving as school tax collector for Upper Macungie township for four years. He is a member of the Lutheran Church. His first wife had been Beaetta, daughter of Jacob and ——— (Oberholtzer) Schuler, whom he married in 1851. She died in 1885, aged 50 years; and left the following issue: 1, Oliver; 2, Allen; 3, Lydia, all deceased; 4, Leshner, of Coplay; 5, Amanda, wife of George Kratzer; 6, Mary, deceased, married to Oscar Layton; 7, Sarah, deceased, married to Samuel Reifinger; 8, Clinton, deceased; 9, Irwin, and 10, Theodore. In 1887 he was married to Fianna Conrath, widow of Wm. McKnabb, of Farmington, Pa.

THEODORE R. BEITELMAN, son of John, was born in Breinigsville, Pa., July 30, 1874. He was reared upon the farm and later was conductor for the Allentown-Kutztown Traction Co., from 1901-03. Since Dec. 15, 1903, he is mail carrier on rural route 1, from Breinigsville. He is a member of I. O. O. F. and P. O. S. of A., as well as Trexlertown Lutheran Church, which he served as deacon. He was married in 1906 to Amelia, daughter of Albert and Ellen (Guldin) Heller, the issue being: 1, Evelyn; 2, Mildred, and 3, Kermit. Resides at Breinigsville.

## DANIEL W. BENEDICT, ESQ.

Daniel W. Benedict, Justice of the Peace of Weisenberg district, and a public school teacher for thirty-four terms, was born at Allentown, May 1, 1857. His father having died, Mr. Daniel Gehringer, an enterprising farmer of Weisenberg (see sketch of John P. Gehringer), gave him a home, treated him as a child of his own family and gave him a liberal education. He was sent to the K. S. N. S., Kutztown, Pa., and thus prepared for teaching. In 1875, when eighteen years old he received a teacher's certificate and since then he has taught public school continuously for thirty-five terms—32 in Weisenberg and 3 in Lynn—excepting a period of three years when he lived in Missouri. He has served as postmaster of Seiberlingsville office since 1901; and he has officiated as a Justice of the Peace of the township since 1906, and as a road supervisor since 1909. In politics he is a loyal Democrat. He is also interested in farming, having purchased the Brunner farm upwards of twenty years ago; and he has also acquired the Joshua Seiberling farm, which property he and the family now occupy as their residence, comprising upwards of 50 acres of fertile land and overlooking many miles of surrounding territory.

In 1884, Squire Benedict was married to Ellenora Stump, daughter of Daniel, and they have



two children: Sadie E. (graduated from the Keystone State Normal School in 1907, and has taught public school six terms—three in Washington township, and three at Northampton); and Mattie B. (graduated at same time from same Normal School, and has also taught six terms, two in Lynn, and four at Allentown).

His father, William Benedict, was born in England, in 1834, and emigrated to Pennsylvania when a young man. He enlisted in the Civil War and while in the service contracted sickness at the Battle of Gettysburg from which he died in 1868, at Newark, N. J. He was married to Eliza Fatzinger, daughter of Daniel, and they had four children: Stuart (m. Ella Kern); Irene (m. Jacob Kohler); Daniel W.; and Ella (m. Oscar Mink).

Daniel Fatzinger was a butcher at Allentown, married to Eliza Ludwig, and they had seven children: Benjamin (m. Sarah Glick), Daniel, and Hiram (who both died single), Eli, Sevilla (m. Jacob Schnauffer), Ida (m. George Henkels), and Eliza.

Daniel Stump, father of the 'Squire's wife, was a farmer of Greenwich township, in Berks county. He died in 1905, aged 78 years. He married Sarah Ramer, daughter of John, and they had eleven children: Wellman, William, Ellenora, Charlotte, Frederick, Aquilla, Cyrus, Louisa and Lanius died young; and Bertolec and Lizzie died in infancy. The wife died in 1903, aged 73 years. The grandfather's name was also Daniel, a farmer of Albany township. He was married to Lydia Dietrich, of Greenwich and they had seven children: Daniel, William, Perry, Fianna, Fietta, Anna, and Kitty.

John Ramer, the grandfather of Mrs. Benedict, was also a farmer of Greenwich township. He was married to Hannah Heffner, daughter of Jacob, and they had nine children: Sarah, Mary, Catharine, Amelia, Anna, Jacob, William Aaron, and Willoughby.

#### BENFIELD FAMILY.

The family historian of the Benfields has traced the name back to the time of William the Conqueror in his conquest of England, 1066. In his army was a General John Benfield, from Normandy, who after the conquest moved his family to England and became a man of prominence in the circles of the Court. After his death he was buried in Westminster Abbey, where there is a tablet to his memory. The family in the course of time spread into Scotland and Ireland, and from the Scotland family, so far as the historian is able to discover, came two brothers, who were Thomas and John. The former

is the head of the Benfield family of this section as well as those of the Central and Western States, and the latter is the head of the family in North and South Carolina as well as Georgia, whither he emigrated from Union township, Berks county, about 1760, with the Boone family. These brothers emigrated to America about 1712, so far as can be learned from records, and located above Pottstown, several miles, in Union township, where they owned tracts of land.

In 1728 Thomas Benfield bought a tract of land in Oley township, Berks county, and sold it to Abijah Sands in 1733, having lived there during that time. The next year he received a patent for land (100 acres) now in District township, which is owned by Israel Weller and his brother. In 1744 another patent was granted to him for a tract of 52 acres, adjoining the 100-acre tract, which became the home of the family, and there he raised a family of two sons and four daughters. This same Thomas Benfield while he lived here purchased several other tracts in Union and Amity townships. Two tracts were sold by him in 1762 to John Wanger, of the same township; located near Port Union and still in the Wanger family name. From the tax lists in the possession of the Berks County Historical Society we find that he paid taxes at different dates, showing that he either lived in these townships or owned property and paid tax. In 1759 he paid £8 tax in District township; and from 1761 to 1769 he paid tax in that township. There he died and his son Samuel was executor of his will and filed his statement in 1771.

Samuel was a taxable in East District (now District) township in 1790. He and his wife, Anna, lived in District till 1792, when he moved to Northampton (now Lehigh) county. In 1811 he moved to Albany township, Berks county, where he died. His will was probated in 1813, John Benfield and George Greenwald, executors. In his family were two sons and five daughters, all mentioned in the will, namely: John, Catharine, Margaret, Susanna, Elizabeth, Maria and Jacob. The sons, moving to western Pennsylvania, left one grandson of this Samuel, Henry Benfield, who moved to District township with a man by the name of Gluck, by whom he was employed.

John Benfield, brother of Samuel, left no issue. He also moved to Lynn township, Northampton (now Lehigh) Co., Pa., but moved into West Penn, Schuylkill county, where he died. Three of the daughters (sisters of John and Samuel) were married, as follows: Catherine

to a Mr. Ulrich, Mary to a Mr. Harp, Elizabeth to a Mr. Updegrave, and Susanna remained single. Of these persons very little is known.

Of Samuel's two sons, John, as before intimated, moved to Montour county, where his descendants now live and are prominent; Jacob moved to central Pennsylvania, where he died. He and his wife (whose maiden name was Keck) raised a family of five sons and one daughter, all but one left for the West, George locating in Illinois, Jacob and Daniel in Crawford county, Pa., John in Michigan and Maria (Mrs. Schlosser) in Crawford county, Pa., thus leaving one, Henry, in Berks county.

Henry Benfield raised eight sons and one daughter, all the sons becoming prominent farmers and business men. On Aug. 20, 1906, his descendants held a reunion at Huff's Church, the first gathering of this family, and six of his sons, as well as many grandchildren, were present on the occasion. He was born in Lynn township, Lehigh Co., Pa., Sept. 3, 1803, and in 1824 came to Hereford township, Berks county, where he worked one year for Mr. Gluck on the farm later owned by his son George and now the property of his grandson, Henry W. Benfield. He then learned the blacksmith's trade from Jacob Heydt and followed that trade for several years, until he commenced farming on his own account. The rest of his active years he spent in agricultural work, but retired many years before his death, which occurred Jan. 21, 1891, at the ripe age of 87 years, 4 months, 18 days. In his early years he was a teamster, hauling for different forges. He bought a farm of 15 acres above Bechtelsville, in Washington township, which is now the property of his grandson, William Benfield. He was a Reformed member of the Hill Church, where he is buried. He married Sarah Becker, born July 4, 1806, died Feb. 22, 1886, aged seventy-nine years, seven months, eighteen days. Of their nine children, (1) David, born March 26, 1827, died Nov. 27, 1903; his wife, Anna Maria, born in 1830, died in 1904. He was in his younger years a teacher and later a very prosperous farmer in Washington township, and the possessor of considerable real estate, being the owner of the home of his father, Henry Benfield. (2) Abraham and (3) Daniel both became farmers and contractors and lumbermen, and are the owners of oil land in Ontario, Canada, where Daniel lived many years, pumping oil from their wells. Both reside near Huff's Church, and live retired. (4) Henry was a shoemaker by trade, but started farming, and later became interested in iron ore mining, in Longswamp

township, Berks county, and neighboring localities. This was his vocation for many years. Later he also became a lumberman, in which line of business he continued up to his death. (5) Jacob and (6) Aaron both worked at their trades, but later became tillers of the soil. Both are still living, Jacob in Washington township, near Bechtelsville, and Aaron near Huff's Church. (7) George B. was a farmer all his life, living near Bechtelsville. (8) Samuel, a farmer, finally drifted into the hotel business, living in Lehigh county and having hotels at Wanamakers, Kempton, and Emaus. All these brothers have been very industrious. They are men of means and stand high in social circles. Their descendants are scattered far and wide, and have engaged in various vocations, farmers, mechanics, educators, doctors, prominent business men, etc. Henry Benfield's only daughter, Elizabeth, now deceased, was the wife of Joseph Dotterer.

Most of the history given in the foregoing was contributed by Mr. Harry N. Benfield, son of Aaron Benfield, and now located at Pottstown, Pa. He is more fully mentioned later, in the paragraphs concerning his father.

Abraham Benfield, son of Henry, was born June 21, 1830. He learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed at Norristown some years. He next engaged in lime burning in Washington township, and later hauled ore. In 1869 he bought 169 acres of land in District township, upon which was an old saw and grist mill, built in 1769. He remodeled the mill and put it in operation. He owns another farm in Washington township and a small tract in Hereford, and a limestone quarry in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county. Since 1900 he has lived retired in a tenant house on the old home farm. Though past fourscore years he is well preserved and active, still interested in all that goes on. For many years he was superintendent of the Sunday-school of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Democrat. He married Lucinda Rohrbach, daughter of Nathan Rohrbach, a farmer of District township. They had ten children: Sarah, wife of Reuben Moll, of Hereford township; Seneca; Franklin N.; Mary Ann, deceased wife of Alfred M. Fisher; Andora, second wife of Alfred M. Fisher; Amanda, wife of John D. Reifsnider, a teacher then residing in District township, but now in Colebrookdale township; Ida, wife of Milton Gerhard, who operated a creamery at Womelsdorf, but now farming his own farm in Washington township; Abraham R., in Allentown, Pa.; and James and Alfred, who both died in infancy.



Seneca R. Benfield was born March 30, 1860, near Bechtelsville, Pa. He was a miller and operated the Benfield mill in District township eleven years, and later he farmed in Washington and District townships eleven years. In 1901, he moved with his family to Allentown, where he labored until his death, March 28, 1908. He is buried on Greenwood cemetery. He served Huff's Church as a deacon. He was a Democrat and was delegate to county conventions.

On November 6, 1880, he married Ella A. DeLong, daughter of Samuel and Susanna (Romig) DeLong, of Longswamp township. They had four children: Mary A. (married Gustav Koehler); Lizzie S.; Infant son; and Clayton L.

Franklin N. Benfield, justice of the peace of District township, and director of the Farmers National Bank at Pennsburg, is a native of Bechtelsville, born April 16, 1862. He attended the public schools of District township, a subscription school in Hereford township, and the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown. In 1891 he rented the Benfield grist mill in District and carried it on for ten years. On March 8, 1901, he lost his right foot while clearing ice from the water wheel. In 1905 he purchased his father's farm and mill property, including 136 acres. He has since operated both mill and farm. He also has 28 acres of wood and pasture land in the same township. In partnership with his father he owns 100 acres of woodland in District township, and with Frank R. Meck a tract of 20 acres of woodland. With his uncle, Henry Benfield, he conducts a portable sawmill. In 1898 in partnership with Jonas Weiler he formed the Royal Dynamite Co., and for one year they manufactured dynamite, but since then Mr. Benfield has abandoned its manufacture, though he continues to buy and sell it. In 1908 he rented the mill to his son Claude E., who now operates it. He is a Democrat, and in the spring of 1885 was elected justice of the peace of his township, and he has been five times re-elected. For ten years he was committeeman of the township, and though he declined to serve longer, he was again elected. He and family are Reformed members of Huff's Church. He served four years each as deacon, elder and treasurer.

Since 1898 Mr. Benfield has been a director of the Farmers National Bank of Pennsburg, and since 1902 secretary of the board. He is a director of the Windsor Mutual Accident and Fire Insurance Co. of Berks county, and agent for many fire insurance companies.

On Nov. 17, 1883, Mr. Benfield was married

to Mary Y. Siesholtz, daughter of David and Sarah (Yeakel) Siesholtz. She died Oct. 12, 1898, aged thirty-five years, nine months, twenty-two days. They had seven children, as follows: Eliza A., an educated lady, who was organist of the church and Sunday-school, m., Jan. 20, 1909, James S. Shankweiler, who is conducting a dry goods store at Kutztown; Claude E., conducting a mill, m. Mary, daughter of Augustus Reinert, of Hereford township; Minnie S., m. Marvin Ledger, of Reading; and Irwin S., Mary A., Frank S., and Lillie S. On Jan. 20, 1909, Mr. Benfield m. (second) Amanda Siesholtz, sister to his first wife.

George B. Benfield, son of Henry, was born Jan. 21, 1834, in the section of Hereford township now embraced in Washington township, and died on his farm at Forgedale July 19, 1898. He was a successful farmer, and owned the large place which his son Henry now owns. He was a respected man, member of the Reformed congregation of the Hill Church, of which he served as deacon and elder. He married Mary Weller, daughter of Philip and Mary (Heydt) Weller, of District township, born May 10, 1840, died Aug. 20, 1904. Twelve children were born to this union: Ephraim died unmarried; Amanda m. Fred Weller; Rebecca m. Elijah Nester; Adam W. and Henry W. are mentioned later; Daniel, a resident of Hereford township; Jonathan lives in Pike township; Elam lives in Washington township; four died in infancy.

Adam W. Benfield, son of George B., was born Dec. 27, 1868, in Washington township, Berks county, and received a good education, beginning in the public schools of his native township, and later attending the Longswamp high school and the Keystone State Normal School. Meantime, assisting his father at home, he gained a thorough knowledge of farming, and he continued to help at home until he was nineteen years old, attending school in the winter until he began to teach. He received his license in 1887, from Prof. D. S. Keck, and began teaching in Washington township, where he was engaged eight terms. After that he was in District township for five terms before he commenced farming, which he has followed on his own place in District township since the spring of 1909. His tract comprises 78 acres of good land.

On June 1, 1895, Mr. Benfield married Ellen R. Hoffman, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Reitenauer) Hoffman, of Forgedale. They had four children: Elmer C., Edna M., Cora V. and Ambrose J. They are Reformed mem-

bers of the historic Hill Church in Pike township, which he has served five years as deacon. In politics he is a Democrat. He was treasurer and trustee of Council No. 1007, Order of Independent Americans, at Landisville.

Henry W. Benfield was born Feb. 24, 1871, in Washington township, Berks county, on the old homestead of his father and grandfather. Most of his life has been passed in farming. He worked for his parents on the farm until twenty-one years old, after which he was engaged as a clerk in stores at Huff's Church, Bechtelsville and South Bethlehem, one year in each place. Returning home, he hired out to his father for one year, then in the spring of 1894 he commenced to farm on his own account his father's farm at Forgedale. He was tenant for eleven years, then, in September, 1905, bought the place, which consists of 89 acres. The present barn was built in 1854 by Adam Boyer, and the house in 1881 by Mr. Benfield's father. In politics he is a Democrat, and in 1908 served as school director.

On Nov. 11, 1893, Mr. Benfield married Lillie G. Reitenauer, daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Gery) Reitenauer, and they had four children, Mary A., Ida M., Eva S. and Lloyd B. He and his family are Reformed members of the Hill Church, where he has served three years as deacon.

Aaron Benfield, son of Henry, was born June 14, 1842, in Pike township. He attended the old pay school for one term, until the public school was established, after which he received the benefits of free education. When seventeen years old he learned the blacksmith's trade and followed it eight years. In 1877 he began farming in Washington township, where he was engaged eleven years, at the end of that time removing to Hereford township, where he has since made his home. In 1894 he purchased the farm of 84 acres upon which he has since lived, the old Jacob Hoffman homestead. The present barn on the place was built in 1872. He retired from labor in 1907, but his son Oscar had charge of the home place since 1895. Mr. Benfield owns another tract, of 28 acres, near Oberholtzer's schoolhouse. Before settling at his present home he lived fifteen years at Huff's Church, cultivating a 23-acre tract. His neighbors elected him township treasurer. He is a Republican.

During the Civil War he enlisted April 7, 1865, in the Union army, as a private in Company D, 215th Pa. V. I., for one year or during the war, and served until after its close, being mustered out July 31, 1865, at Fort Delaware.

On Oct. 2, 1866, Mr. Benfield married Maria Elizabeth Kepler (born Oct. 2, 1839), daughter of Copeland and Margaretha (Binder) Kepler, farming people of Upper Hanover township, Montgomery Co., Pa. She died Nov. 8, 1906, the mother of three children, Oscar, Harry N. and Elmer. The family are Reformed members of Huff's Church.

Oscar Benfield, oldest son of Aaron, is farming on his father's place in Hereford township. He married Mary Gehris, and they have seven children: Gertie, Grace, Webster, Nevin, Mabel, Florence and Erma.

Harry N. Benfield, second son of Aaron, was born in 1871, in Washington township, Berks county, and received his early education in the township schools, later going to the schools of Hereford. In the fall of 1890 he entered the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, but left the same year to begin teaching, and he followed teaching ever since, having filled positions in Berks, Lehigh, Montgomery and Chester counties. He is now supervising principal of Coventry township, Chester county, and doing post-graduate work at college. He married Elizabeth Kemp, of District township, Berks county. He is the historian of the Benfield family.

Elmer Benfield, now engaged as a carpenter at Morysville, worked at his trade in car shops in Philadelphia for ten years. He has been twice married, his first wife being Maleira Wetzel, who died in 1903, and his second Maggie Rohrbach, by whom he has one daughter, Myrtle.

CLAYTON L. BENFIELD, merchant, of Allentown, was born in District township, Berks county, July 4, 1888. He was educated in the public schools and the American Commercial school at Allentown. Later he then served as a clerk in the department store of Hess Bros., and on August 16, 1909, engaged in the grocery business at 544 Union street.

He and wife are members of St. Andrews Reformed Church. He is a member of the Philip Sheradin Council, No. 287, J. O. U. A. M.

He was married May 1, 1909, to Mabel I. Clewell, daughter of Albert and Mary (Krause) Clewell; and granddaughter of Sylvester Clewell. They had a son, Earl A., who died January 15, 1911.

#### BENNER FAMILY.

William Benner was a native of Bucks county, Pa., and there he followed farming.

He was married to Anna Rothrock. They



were members of the Lutheran Church and are buried at Richlandtown, Pa. Their 12 children follow: Abraham, Polly, Jacob, John, William, Elias, Milton, Lewis, Nancy, Monroe, Hannah, and Aaron.

Elias R. Benner, son of Abraham, was born at California, in Bucks county, June 2, 1841. He came to Shoenersville, Lehigh county, in 1863, and there he taught school for a number of years. From 1871 to 1899 he engaged in the mercantile business at Shoenersville. In the latter year he sold the business to his son, H. A. Benner. He was postmaster for a number of years, and took an active interest in the Democratic politics, serving the office of recorder of deeds of Lehigh county. Mr. Benner and family were Lutherans and he was a member of Christ's church choir at Shoenersville upwards of a quarter of a century. He was the organist of the church for three years, and opened a new addition to the cemetery upon which he is now buried at Shoenersville.

He was married to Belinda Lapp, a daughter of Elias Lapp. She was born Dec. 11, 1843, and departed this life on May 30, 1902. Mr. Benner died Oct. 15, 1906, in his sixty-sixth year. Their children follow: H. A.; Lizzie E.; is married to W. D. Seyfried, of Bethlehem; and Rev. Allen L., a Lutheran minister of Richmond Hill, Brooklyn, N. Y.

H. A. Benner, merchant at Shoenersville, was born in that village June 24, 1866. At the age of 13 years he began clerking in his father's general store and there he continued to work until 1899 when he became his father's successor; and in 1906, after the father had died, he purchased the store property. In 1908 he erected the present large modern store and residence. He was postmaster at Shoenersville for a number of years, and in 1906 was elected a member of the Hanover township school board. He is a Democrat. He was one of the organizers of the Lehigh National Bank at Catasauqua, and since that time serves as a director.

Socially Mr. Benner is a member of Catasauqua Lodge No. 269, I. O. O. F., also the Encampment; Modern Woodmen; Porter Lodge No. 284, F. & A. M.; and Catasauqua Chapter No. 278, Royal Arch Masons. He and family worship in the Shoenersville church of which they are Lutheran members. He is a deacon continuously since 1894.

On Oct. 12, 1886, he married Julianna C. Keim, a daughter of Cyrus and Dianna (Laubach) Keim. They have an only daughter, Eva M., who graduated in 1904 from the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa. She is an esteemed teacher in the schools at Shoenersville.

#### BENNIGHOFF FAMILY.

The Bennighoff family of Lehigh county was founded by Valentine Bennighoff, whose name is recorded in the Pennsylvania Archives as having emigrated on the ship Edinburgh, which landed at Philadelphia Sept. 16, 1751, and shortly afterward he settled in Lowhill township, Northampton county (now part of Lehigh), for he took out a land warrant for 32 acres in that district which is dated April 22, 1752.

In 1812, the names of John Bennighoff and Sebastian Bennighoff appear on the assessment list of Lynn township, and both of these men are buried in the cemetery at New Tripoli.

A branch of this family settled in Berks county, for in 1800 the name of Philip Bennighoff appears on the tax list of Albany township, and in 1815, in the same district, the name of William Bennighoff.

Peter Bennighoff, of this family, a farmer, was located in Greenwich township, Berks county. His wife was Polly Haring and they had three sons, William, Benjamin and Peter, and a daughter, Abby, married to Charles Eck. Benjamin, one of the three sons named, was born Jan. 23, 1818, and died April 28, 1884. He was a weaver by trade and also carried on farming, having owned a farm in the township named near the Roth school-house containing 70 acres. His wife was Sarah Spohn and they had nine children: Noah (1842-1907, supervisor of Maxatawny township for 21 years); Mary, married to Abraham Geist; Sarah, married to Henry Derr; Benjamin, resided at Claussville; Moses; Emma; and William; and two others who died young.

John (Johannes) Bennighoff, the ancestor of most of this family name in Lynn township, Lehigh county, was born Dec. 27, 1768, and he died on his farm near New Tripoli, Jan. 23, 1845. He was a wood-worker of rare ability and this came to be transmitted to some of his sons and grandsons. He made wooden plows and harrows, by the aid of which the pioneer settlers tilled the soil. His wife was Elizabeth Daubert, born May 1, 1777, died Jan. 11, 1858, and buried at New Tripoli, and they had a large family of children, among them the following: Heinrich, Daniel, Isaac, John, and Mrs. Catharine Herman, who moved West.

Heinrich Bennighoff was born in Lynn township about the year 1805 and under his father he came to be an exceptionally able wood-worker in making wagons, plows, harrows, rakes, forks and cradles. When thirty years old he had accumulated the sum of \$200, and by the aid of this money he moved by team with his family to Seneca county, in Ohio, and there he lived as

a wood-worker and farmer until he died. His brother, John, went along with him to take back the horses to Lehigh county which he had hired for the occasion.

He was married to Phillipina Fenstermacher, daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Derr) Fenstermacher, of Lynn township, and they had a number of children.

Daniel Bennighoff was a farmer of Lynn township, his farm being now in the possession of his son Aaron; and he was also an experienced and successful woodworker having made many wagons which were said to have been the best in that section of the county. He was born July 26, 1808, and died Feb. 10, 1896. His wife was Salome Shellhammer, born March 4, 1816, and died Sept. 5, 1893. Their children were: Mary, and Polly, both of whom died in childhood; Daniel; Catharine, married to Levi Clauss, and lived in Schuylkill county; Franklin; Carolina; and Aaron.

Isaac Bennighoff was born Oct. 8, 1814, and died April 25, 1900. He owned part of his father's homestead near Mossersville and was a successful farmer, having left an estate at his decease valued at \$30,000. His favorite nephew was Franklin Bennighoff, son of his brother Daniel, who farmed for him for a period of thirty-three years in a most faithful manner and before he died (1891) he sold the farm to this nephew at a reasonable price in appreciation of his long-continued services. He was buried at New Tripoli. He was married to Sarah Sensinger, now the oldest surviving person in Lynn township, having been born Aug. 29, 1814, and being 98 years old. She continues to live on the old homestead and is well cared for by her nephew, Franklin Bennighoff. They had no children.

Daniel E. Bennighoff, son of Daniel, farmer of Lynn township, owns and operates part of the original John Bennighoff homestead, which embraced the farms of Daniel and Franklin Bennighoff. He was born Jan. 30, 1839, and reared as a farmer, and since 1860 he has been farming for himself. The tract was thirty-six acres when he began but he added twelve acres which he purchased. He is a Democrat and served the township as a school director, and he is connected with the Lutheran congregation of Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, which he served as a deacon. In 1860, he married Rebecca Snyder, and they have one son, Wilson A., who has remained home assisting his father on the farm.

His son, Wilson A., was married to Angie Oswald, and they have three children: Bessie, Howard, and Alice.

FRANKLIN BENNIGHOFF, son of Daniel, is a farmer, located near Mossersville. He was born

Feb. 24, 1843, and learned the trade of wheelwright under his father, which he followed for some time; then he engaged at farming for his uncle Isaac, and continued doing so for thirty-three years, when he was encouraged by his uncle to buy the place, who offered it to him at a reasonable price. This was in 1891. The barn was built by John Bennighoff shortly before he died, to take the place of the first building which was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The dwelling house has a year mark, 1837, cut on a stone which is set in the chimney to show when it was built, and this was also by John Bennighoff.

In 1868, he married Leanna Zellner, daughter of Daniel. She died in 1882, aged 36 years. They had eight children: Albert, married to Mabel Oswald; Lewis; George; Ella; Angelina, married to William J. Wertman; Mary; John, married to Mary Moyer; and Francis, married to Jane Bechtel. Mrs. Bennighoff and three of the children, Lewis, George, and Mary, died of scarlet fever within fourteen days of each other; and Ella died in 1891. The family have been identified with the Lutheran congregation of the Ebenezer church.

Sebastian Bennighoff was born Jan. 31, 1780, and died Dec. 31, 1849. He lived on a farm near Mossersville, in Lynn township, and was married to Magdalena Daubenspeck, born Feb. 18, 1787, and died May 18, 1838. They had a son, George.

George Bennighoff was born in Lynn township. During the period when a great many Lehigh countians had the "Western" fever, about the year 1850, Mr. Bennighoff loaded his family and worldly belongings on a large Conestoga wagon, intending to move to Ohio. They reached White Haven, where the father took sick and died. The widow and children, with their dead husband and father, returned to New Tripoli, where he was buried. His wife, who was Kate Hoffman, a sister of Nathaniel Hoffman, died about 1853. She is buried on Hoffman's private burial ground. Three children were born to this family: Catharine, married James Bachman; James, mentioned later; and Phanus, of Kunkel-town, Pa.

James Bennighoff, son of George and Kate (Hoffman) Bennighoff, a former coal merchant of Slatington, was born in Lynn township, Aug. 28, 1841. He remained on the farm until he was nineteen years old, when he learned the carpenter trade. He followed this trade until the Civil War broke out, when he enlisted in Company G, First Penna. Reserve Cavalry.

He was a member of the First Brigade, Second Division, Cavalry Corps, of the Army of the Potomac. On Nov. 27, 1863, at Mine Run,



Virginia, he was taken prisoner, after having been wounded on the battlefield. He was taken by the Confederates to Charlottesville, where it was thought he would die, the doctor having declared that he could not recover. He was officially reported to be mortally wounded, and yet in this condition he was taken to Libby prison, where he was confined from January to March. In March, he was taken to Belle Island, Virginia, and a month later he was taken to Andersonville prison, Georgia. In September, 1864, he was moved to Savannah, Georgia, and on November 20 he was paroled, after which he reached the Union hospital at Annapolis. After intense suffering in hospitals and prisons, he was discharged in March, 1865.

The effects of these sufferings followed him for a long time after his return to Heidelberg township. He could move about with difficulty with a cane. As his strength and health gradually returned, he again followed the carpenter trade. In 1868, he moved to Slatington, where he followed his trade until 1870, when he became a teamster, which he followed for nine years, after which he engaged in the coal business, which he followed until 1900, when his son succeeded him.

He and family have been faithful members of the Lutheran Church. In 1866, he married Amanda Hausman, daughter of Nathan, of Low-hill township, now deceased. They had two children: Cora, who died in infancy, and James S.

JAMES S. BENNIGHOFF, son of James and Amanda (Hausman) Bennighoff, was born Nov. 5, 1870, at Slatington. He learned the carpenter trade and followed this for a number of years. In 1900, owing to his father's infirmities, he succeeded him in the coal business, which he now conducts. He married Jane A. Bentz. They had one daughter, Helen, who died, aged thirteen years.

Solomon Bennehoff was born in Lynn township, and in 1842 moved to Seneca county, Ohio, where he farmed a 120-acre tract and died in 1882. He married Anna Rader, of Saegersville, and had seven children: William F.; Maria; David and Sarah, who died young; Lewis; John; and Milton.

William F. Bennehoff was born Aug. 20, 1842, and became a farmer in Seneca county, Ohio, where he owned a 140-acre farm. He was president of the Board of Education of his township and active in church and Sunday school work, having served as deacon and elder and superintendent of the Sunday school. His wife, who died Jan. 12, 1908, aged 58 years, was buried near her husband at Fireside, Ohio. They had nine children: Calvin A., deceased; Anna M., widow of John Loose, of Chicago, who had children,

Samuel E., Helen A., and Orland J.; Jennie, m. Arthur Henning, of Bellevue, O., and has children, Thelma and Navin; Jessie, m. Samuel Loose, of Tiffin, Ohio, and has a son, Robert W.; Eleonora, m. Ernest Rauston, of Ada, Ohio, and has children, Paul W. and Walter C.; Florence, deceased; Mary E., of Allentown; Ruth N.; and Virgie R., both of Tiffin, Ohio.

Peter Bennighoff, a laborer, lived in the vicinity of New Smithville. He is buried at Grimville. His wife, Molly Haring, bore him the following children: Joel; Benjamin, whose son, Noah, was supervisor of Maxatawny township for a quarter of a century; Levi; Jonas; Mrs. Charles Eck.

Joel Bennicoff, son of Peter, lived near Grimville, Berks county. While a soldier in the Civil War, he lost his hearing almost entirely. He married (first) Kate Spohn. They had: Sarah, who died small; Kate A., married to Lewis Bittner; Mary, deceased; Levi, deceased; and Emma, wife of Lewis Hohl. He married (second) Lovina Kline. They had these children: Sarah; Ellen; Lottie; Charles, a carpenter at Allentown; Jerrey, of Kutztown; and Austin, who lives near Kutztown.

#### WILLIAM BERESIN.

William Beresin, secretary and treasurer of the H. Sofranscy Company at Allentown, Pa., was born in Philadelphia, Aug. 8, 1882, where he was educated in the public schools, and at the University of Pennsylvania he took a course in Mechanical Engineering. He left school one year before his graduation in 1903 in order to accept the position of assistant teller of the Guaranty Trust Co., in Philadelphia, but he resigned this position to become associated with the H. Sofranscy Company, at Allentown, as its secretary and treasurer. The company was incorporated in November, 1910, for the purpose of dealing extensively in iron, rags, etc.

He is the senior member of the dry goods house of Beresin & Mintz, which has two department stores in Ohio.

In 1904 he was married to Marie Sofranscy, daughter of H. Sofranscy, Allentown, Pa., and they have two children: Annie I., and Morris.

#### JOHN BERG.

John Berg, of Egypt, Pa., was born Oct. 27, 1867, in Austria, son of John and Anna (Scheetz) Berg. He emigrated to this country Feb. 28, 1884, and located at Shenadoah, Pa., where he resided for 15 years. He then settled at Egypt, June 5, 1899 and became the proprietor of the Fairview House which he has conducted in a successful manner to this time.

Mr. Berg is a private banker and steamship agent, being under bond to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the amount of \$50,000.00. He is connected with several beneficial societies, having served one of them as secretary since its organization in 1902. He is likewise a Notary Public since 1905.

He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. He was twice married: first, January 29, 1891, to Maria Fekely, who died without issue, and he then married on Oct. 17, 1900, Anna, daughter of Jacob and Susanna Kupsky. They have 6 children: John W., Anna S., Minnie L., Rosa K., Edwin J., and George M.

#### BERKEMEYER FAMILY.

The Berkemeyer family trace their history to Ferdinand Berkemeyer, a son of Jacob and Henrietta Berkemeyer, who lived in Oerlanghausen, Westphalia, Germany. Ferdinand Berkemeyer was born Jan. 13, 1790, and died March 30, 1856, and is buried at Heidelberg church. He came to America early in the 19th century, and was a school teacher and organist in Heidelberg. In 1822 he was married to Judith Glasser, a daughter of Daniel and Hannah (Hottenstein) Glasser. She was born October 30, 1801, and died December 23, 1882. They had 13 children: Caroline, born May 26, 1822, died August 5, 1871, married David Ross; Augustus; Wilhelmina, married William Kemmerer; Rev. Ferdinand; Louisa, married to Josiah Bowman, founder of Bowmanstown; William, married to Caroline German; Henrietta, married to a William Snyder; Amelia; infant; Lewis and Charles, twins; Henry, married to Adeline Smith; Jacob.

Augustus Berkemeyer, son of Ferdinand Berkemeyer, was born Feb. 24, 1824, and died Dec. 10, 1896. He was a cabinet-maker and undertaker for forty years. In 1866 he moved to Slatington where he was engaged in the lumber and mercantile business, having as his partner in the lumber business Thomas Kern and as his partner in the furniture business David Lutz. In 1870 he moved to Allentown and was a partner with his brother William in the furniture business under the firm of Berkemeyer Bros. They were in business ten years when Augustus withdrew from the firm and moved on a farm near Trumbauersville, Bucks county. Returning to Allentown later he resided there for a few years and then moved to Minneapolis, Minn., where he died. He and family were members of the Reformed Church. He was married to Sarah Lantz, a daughter of Henry Lantz. She died Oct. 25, 1907. They had nine children: Peter; Henry A.; Charles L.; John F.; Edward; Samuel;

Mary, married to Thomas Sherer; Sarah; and Margaret.

Henry A. Berkemeyer, a son of Augustus and Sarah (Lantz) Berkemeyer, was born at Saegersville, November 30, 1852. He learned cabinet-making with his father. After the family moved to Slatington he worked in a slate factory and afterwards became a traveling salesman. Politically he was a Republican and was census enumerator of his district. He was married to Matilda B. Stoll. Their children were Homer G. and George H.

HOMER G. BERKEMEYER, bookbinder of Allentown, a son of Henry A. and Matilda B. Berkemeyer, was born in that city Dec. 26, 1875. He learned the trade of bookbinding in his native city and in 1896 he started in business for himself. His business has been growing steadily and he now employs eight hands. He is actively identified with the Masonic orders, being a member of Greenleaf Lodge, 561, F. and A. M.; Allen Royal Arch Chapter, No. 203, and Allen Commandery, Knights Templar, No. 20, of Allentown. He is married to Sarah C. Vogel, a daughter of Gottlieb and Wilhelmina (Traub) Vogel.

GEORGE H. BERKEMEYER, son of Henry A. and Matilda B. (Stoll) Berkemeyer, was born in Allentown, December 31, 1876. He is a graduate of the Allentown High School, 1894. He took a course in civil and mechanical engineering which business he now follows. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. and A. M., being Worshipful Master in 1913; Allen Chapter, R. A. M., 203, and Allen Council, No. 23. He is married to Mary E. Eckensberger, a daughter of Francis and Sarah (Snyder) Eckensberger. Issue, George Francis, born February 12, 1908. He resides at 1351 Turner street, Allentown.

CHARLES L. BERKEMEYER, son of Augustus Berkemeyer, was born at Saegersville, October 6, 1856. He learned cabinet-making when 17 years old and followed it five years. He served under the State Geological Survey from 1875-1879. From 1879 to 1882 he was in the carriage business at Slatington, after which he became connected with the Washington Slate Co., and remained with them until 1886 when he went to Minneapolis, Minn., where he is associated with his brother, Samuel, in the slate business. He is a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. and A. M.; Royal Arch Chapter, 53, and Allen Council, No. 23, of Allentown. He is a charter member of Slatington Hose Co., No. 1, and served as chief in 1907, 1908 and 1909. He was married in 1875 to Ellen M. Andrews, daughter of Nathan and Catharine (Reger)



Andrews, of Walnutport. They have two daughters, S. Catharine and Annie L., both graduates of the Central High School of Minneapolis, Minn.

JOHN F. BERKEMEYER, undertaker and embalmer of Slatington, Pa., was born in Heidelberg township, August 29, 1859. At the age of fourteen he became a sailor and followed seafaring life for about eighteen years. In 1883 he located at Slatington and engaged in the carriage and undertaking business. In 1893 he closed out the carriage business and devoted all his time to the undertaking business, being the leading undertaker in the upper section of the county.

Mr. Berkemeyer is a Republican and has held a number of prominent offices in the borough where he resides. He has been a member of council for a number of years, being a member of that body when the reservoir was built. He has also been the secretary and treasurer of the borough. He was one of the charter members and organizers of Slatington Hose Company, No. 1. He was the company's first assistant foreman. Socially he holds membership in the following organizations: Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., J. O. U. A. M., K. of G. E., Red Men, Maccabees, Foresters, and K. of P. He and family are members of St. John's Reformed Church. In 1883 he was married to Serena J. Neff, a daughter of Joel and Drusilla (Handwerk) Neff. She died November 1, 1910. To Mr. and Mrs. Berkemeyer the following children were born: Clara M., died in infancy; Ralph, died, aged 2 years; Robert W., married to Esther Litzenberger; Hilda R.; and Harold J.

Rev. Ferdinand Berkemeyer, a son of Ferdinand, was born April 10, 1828, at Saegersville. He is a graduate of Gettysburg College. He married Catharine H. Haberacker, born March 9, 1830, died May 23, 1895. Issue: Sarah E., Mary, James W., Charles M., George M., Anna L., Flora C.

WILLIAM BERKEMEYER, son of Ferdinand, was born in Heidelberg township in 1832. He was educated in the local schools and learned the trade of a cabinet-maker. He then removed to Allentown, and with his brothers, Augustus and Henry, and George Gehringer, formed a partnership and engaged in the furniture business at Lumber and Hamilton streets, in which he continued for 30 years. He erected a home at 42 North Sixth street, where he lived retired some years prior to his death in 1901. He was an active member of St. John's Reformed church, where he served as deacon, and was a Democrat in politics. He married Caroline, daughter of

Josiah and Maria German. She died Dec. 11, 1912, and was buried in Fairview cemetery, with her husband. They had four children: Alice I.; Elizabeth C., who was educated in private and public schools and the high school of Allentown, was a school teacher in the city for six years, and is a member of St. John's Reformed church; Ella M.; and Florence M., who married Harry A. Fahler and has five children: Wm. H., Mary E., Isabel E., Richard B., and Harry.

Henrietta, wife of William Snyder, of Seattle, Wash., has children: Edgar, Jefferson, and Minnie.

Dr. Lewis C. Berkemeyer married Malinda J. Keck and had children: Francis M.; Robert K.; Charles F.; Blanche, wife of David A. Miller, proprietor of the *Morning Call*; Annie; Lottie; and Mary. He was born Oct. 24, 1839, and died Sept. 8, 1901.

Henry Berkemeyer, of Coopersburg, had children: Ellis, Helen and Martha. Jacob Berkemeyer, of Hazleton, married Alavesta Hausman and had children: Minnie, wife of Charles Kern; Clara; Frank; Alfred; and Stella. Peter, son of Augustus, lives in Belton, S. C. Samuel A., of Minneapolis, married Ida Hunt. Mary, widow of Thos. Sherer, of Minneapolis, has a son, Ralph.

#### FRANK H. BERNHARD.

Frank H. Bernhard, a printer of Allentown, Pa., was born in Whitpain township, Montgomery county, May 28, 1868, son of Harry and grandson of Anthony Bernhard.

Anthony Bernhard died in 1875, aged 71 years. He was born in Philadelphia and was married to Mary Greenawald, of Whitpain township. The Greenawald family are one of the pioneer families of Montgomery county. Anthony Bernhard owned a very large farm which has now been divided into a number of tracts. He was a member of Boehm's Reformed church and is buried in the graveyard of that old church. His children were: William; Anthony; Harry; Sarah and Kate (Krewson).

Anthony Bernhard had an older brother by the name of George Adam, who remained on 65 acres of the homestead and he was succeeded by his children. These brothers also had a sister who married a Reese. Tradition states that Anthony Bernhard was one of twelve children.

Harry Bernhard, son of Anthony, was born at Center Square, Montgomery county. He was a life-long farmer in Whitpain township. He was a Reformed member of the Boehm's church at Blue Bell.

He was married to Emma Wieand and resides at Norristown. Their children are: Mary

who is an invalid since 1890; Irvin E., of New Jersey; Frank H., mentioned later; Sadie (m. John Bowker), and Mary (m. Isaac Lewis).

Frank H. Bernhard was educated in the common schools and in the Norristown High School. At the age of sixteen years he learned the printing trade at Norristown and there he served his apprenticeship of 3 years after which he accepted a position on the *Philadelphia Press*, which he filled 4 years. He then accepted the position of foreman with the J. Elwood Lee Co., at Conshohocken and there he was employed for 14 years. In 1907 he came to Allentown and was foreman with the Searle and Dressler Co., about one year. In 1912 he became the superintendent of the Haco Printing Co., and in 1913 he engaged in business for himself.

He and his family are members of Seibert U. E. church. Socially he is a member of the P. O. S. of A., of Norristown, also the P. O. S. of A. Commandery No. 6, of Allentown, and in the latter he is a Past General Commander, and the Mincekunce Tribe No. 198, I. O. R. M., of Norristown.

He was married in 1891 to Maggie Widger, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Werkheiser) Widger, of Norristown. They have five children, two of whom are now deceased: Roy, died in February, 1910, aged 18 years; John; Harry; Horace died in infancy; and Irvin.

#### OSCAR F. BERNHEIM.

Oscar F. Bernheim, son of Rev. Dr. Gotthardt D. and Elizabeth (Clayton) Bernheim, was born at Mount Pleasant, N. C., Nov. 16, 1868. His father had been a son of John H. and Lisetta (Dellman) Bernheim, and was born in Iserholm, Westphalia, Germany, Nov. 8, 1827. He had received his training in the schools of Indiana and Kittanning, Pa., 1839-44, and Lexington, S. C., 1846-49, where he also studied theology in the Theological Seminary of the South Carolina Synod. He served as Lutheran pastor of various places, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Muhlenberg College, 1888-92. He was also the author of a number of books. On April 25, 1854, he married Elizabeth C. Clayton, of Charleston, S. C., the issue being two daughters and a son, Oscar, the person of this sketch, who received his training in private schools at Wilmington, N. C., in North Carolina College, Mt. Pleasant, N. C., and in the Academic Department of Muhlenberg College, graduating from the College itself in 1892. While at College he became a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and also served as editor-in-chief of the Muhlenberg from Sept., 1891, to Feb., 1892. Afterwards he

served as private secretary to the Hon. C. J. Erdman during the Fifty-Third Congress, from 1893-95. From 1895 to 1907 he engaged in various business pursuits, such as furniture, office manager of foundry and machine shop and cement industries. Since 1907 he has been employed as the treasurer and registrar of Muhlenberg College. He is a member of the Lutheran church which he served as deacon for two terms. Politically he is a Democrat. May 22, 1895, he was married to Belle G. Krause, a daughter of the late B. M. and Emeline (Goundie) Krauss. There were born to them the following children: 1, Eleanor E.; 2, Clayton K., deceased; 3, Ruth G. He resides at 420 Hamilton street, Allentown, Pa.

#### ALFRED FRANKLIN BERLIN.

In the year 1738 there came from the Palatinate, in Southern Germany, on the ship "Charming Nancy," Abraham Berlin, who immediately after landing went to Easton. By trade he was a blacksmith. In course of time he became one of Easton's foremost citizens, and during the war of the Revolution was elected chairman of "The Committee of Safety" for the then Northampton county. Living carefully and frugally he acquired a competence. He married at Easton, and in course of time there came to him a son, who was named Abraham. He in due time learned the avocation of his father and also became a noted gun-maker. The defeat of the British army is attributed to these fine guns made by him and others in the vicinity, and used in battle by the Pennsylvania German soldiers. He joined the Continental Army but with other gun-makers was ordered back home by the military authorities to make these necessary implements of warfare. He married Maria Hay, an Easton lady, and to them was born on the 14th day of May, 1777, a son, who was also named Abraham. He left Easton and settled at the now village of Berlinsville, in the western part of Northampton county, where he bought a fine farm and plied his trade of blacksmith, which he learned while with his father at Easton. The village was named after him.

Here was born to him the fourth son, Daniel, who was the father of the subject of this sketch. He also learned the trade of blacksmith and moved to Cherryville, same county, where he went into the business of blacksmithing and carriage-maker. He in time became the most prominent citizen in the western part of Northampton county. He was for a term elected treasurer of that county. It was during his term that the jail at Easton was built. He married Catharine Kuntz, and to them came their first son, the



subject of this sketch. He, like many another country boy, grew up strong and healthy. At the age of four years he was sent to school a little over a mile away and there began his education. When twelve years old he moved with his uncle to Easton, where for a time he went to school, then to a business college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., from which institution he graduated and from there he came to a position in a wholesale house on Broadway, New York. Meeting there Mr. W. R. Lawfer, at one time one of Allentown's most successful business men, he was induced to begin with that firm, Lawfer & Steckel, which he did against the wishes of the firm he was connected with while in New York. He remained with the Allentown firm for seven years. Tired of being held up inside of a store he became a commercial traveller, to which business he has stuck ever since.

Mr. Berlin from his boyhood up was a diligent student, especially of the science of archaeology. He became a dilettante collector of American antiquities, gathering in course of time one of the finest private collections on the Atlantic coast. This magnificent collection is now safely housed in separate cases, as the A. F. Berlin Collection, in the rooms of the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, at Wilkes-Barre, Penna. It is to be regretted that Lehigh county failed to become possessed of it. It is safe to say that at present his magnificent library is the finest and best for educational purposes in the city of Allentown. Not alone has he been a collector of American antiquities, but he has also written much on his favorite science. He was for a year president of the American Archaeological Association, for several years editor of *The American Archaeologist*, and assistant editor of *The American Antiquarian*. He wrote chapter three of *Prehistoric Implements*, a production much in demand by collectors. As the heading of chapter three of this history shows, honors have been conferred upon him by many learned societies. He has the honor of being named as one of America's eminent citizens, which can be seen in the biographical dictionary of "Who Is Who In America."

In 1908 he was elected prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas, which honor he held for a term of three years.

#### THE BEST PIONEERS AND SOME OF THEIR DESCENDANTS.

Best, or Bescht, as the name originally was in German. The first persons of that name to come to America, of whom there is any record were three brothers, Jeremiah, Nicholas, and George. These three settled in what is now Williams

township, Northampton county, Pa., in 1730. Jeremiah Best bought 213 acres of land from William Allen and received a deed Dec. 7, 1745. The other two brothers probably also purchased adjoining lands. Jeremiah had at least two sons, Jacob and John. He died at quite an old age, about 1787. Oct. 11, 1788 his farm was deeded to his son, Jacob, by John Best, executor of the estate.

Jacob Best was born in America in 1718 and married Catherine, *nee* ————. They had two sons, John and Conrad, and two daughters, Anna, wife of Andrew Uhler; and Christina, who married Jacob Dech. Jacob Best died Mar. 9, 1789 and his tombstone is in the Hay Cemetery, South Easton, Pa.

Conrad Best was born Nov. 25, 1745. His wife was Hannah, daughter of Cornelius Weigant, of Easton, Pa. They were the parents of John, Jacob, Catherine, wife of Philip Hoffman; Mary; Conrad, Jr.; Elizabeth, wife of Frederick Kreidler, George, Margaret, wife of Abram Stem; Henry and Peter.

June 20, 1770, the deed was granted to the Moravian Bishop, Nathaniel Seidel, for the Nazareth tract of land. An agreement was made Dec. 8, 1772, between "Bischof" Seidel, Conrad Best, of Williams township, and Jacob Dech, of Forks township, for 300 acres of the Western end of this Moravian land at 55 shillings per acre in good Pennsylvania currency. The deed was executed Dec. 31, 1785. This land is about one mile east of Bath, and the farm has been in the possession of the descendants of Conrad Best and Jacob Dech ever since. The former died Sept. 25, 1826. He is buried at the Hecktown church. Jacob Dech was born 1746, died 1833. His wife was born 1751, died 1822. Both are buried in Shoenersville church-yard.

John Best was born Nov. 27, 1769. He married Catherine Fink. Their children were: John, Jr., George, Hannah, wife of Paul Miller; and Elizabeth, wife of Peter Transue. He died Nov. 7, 1839, and is buried at Bath.

George Best, born Feb. 26, 1802, married Elizabeth Kreidler. They had four children: Mary C., wife of Jeremiah Beck; Susanna, wife of Henry Beck; Elizabeth, wife of George H. Dech, and Reuben H. George Best departed this life Feb. 4, 1864. His grave is in Bath Cemetery. His son, Reuben H., purchased the old Best homestead. He was united in marriage with Lydia Remaly. Their children are John G., Oscar H., and Minnie E., wife of Daniel Reinert. She and her husband own and live on the Conrad Best farm. Reuben H. Best died May 31, 1903, aged 62 years.

John G. Best married Annie S. Bauer and

they live in Bath, Pa. They have one child, Helen, wife of Albert Leiby.

Oscar H. Best is a busy merchant in Bethlehem, Pa. His wife was Mary E. Sloyer. They have no children.

Nicholas Best, one of the pioneers in Williams township, died there Dec. 8, 1778. His wife, Elisabeth Catherine, was executrix of the estate.

Of their children the names of only two are known to the writer, Christian and Nicholas, Jr.

The aforementioned Conrad Best was well-known and prominent in Northampton county. Among the descendants of his daughter, Christina Dech, are Commodore Wilson Dech, his sister, Mrs. John Stopp, and her sons, Rev. S. A. Bridges Stopp, Allentown; Joseph H. Stopp, Esq., Philadelphia, and John F. Stopp, Los Angeles, California; Mrs. M. C. L. Kline, widow of the late Congressman Kline, and her son, Edwin Keller Kline, Esq.; and her daughter, Miss Claude G. Schankweiler, of Allentown, Pa. Mrs. Rudolph Bapp, of Nazareth, Pa., and her son, Rev. Jacob W. Lazarus, Vinemont, Pa.; Newton C., deceased; George Lazarus, M.D., Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Rev. Luther D. Lazarus, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran church, West Bethlehem, are also descendants of Jacob and Christina Dech.

There are other descendants of the three Best pioneers in Lehigh and Northampton counties. The writer has given this brief sketch, so that others can more readily trace their ancestral line.

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#### ANCESTORS OF THE BESTS IN THE UPPER PARTS OF NORTHAMPTON AND LEHIGH COUNTIES, PENNSYLVANIA.

Wilhelm Bescht, born in 1713 (later written William Best), landed in Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 1738. He arrived with two hundred and fifty one persons, who came from the Palatinate. This is the country along the River Rhine, Germany, now given in the geography as the Rhine Province and Rheinisch Bavaria. He may have been a relative of the three Best brothers, previously mentioned in this history. At any rate he went to the same section of country and some of the baptismal names of his children and later descendants are the same as theirs. William Best, Sr., secured fertile land along the east bank of the Lehigh river in what is now Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pa., a mile below Walnutport. This was then on the border of the woodland sold by the Indians to Penn. And the country north to the Blue mountains is still known as Indian-land. Here with his family he lived on the frontier, having Indian neighbors.

The eldest son, William, was five years old

when the parents came to America. The names of their other children living in 1769 were Henry, born 1748; Barbara; Michael, and Sabilla.

The Best family lived near the Indian trail from the North branch of the Susquehanna river to Bethlehem and Easton, Pa., the road over which Benjamin Franklin led his regiment to Weissport, opposite Lehigh, where the Indians had massacred the Moravian settlers. William Best, senior and junior, were soldiers in the French and Indian War.

Owing to the many hardships endured William Best, Sr., died 1762, aged only 49 years. His grave is in St. Paul's or Indian-land churchyard, near Cherryville. He died intestate or without leaving a will and in 1769 his estate was appraised and the son, William, bought the farm. Michael and Sabilla were then less than fourteen years old or minors. (See Orphans' Court Record, Northampton Co., Book D, pp. 67 and 76.)

A son of William Best, Jr., died in 1769 and a daughter in 1773, who are buried in St. Paul's graveyard, Cherryville, Northampton county, Pa.

In 1773 or 1774 William Best, Jr., sold his property and with his family went to Westmoreland county, Pa., where he purchased 338 acres of land, now the northern part of Greensburg. Here he cleared and cultivated a large farm and prospered. He also had a mill and saw-mill on the north branch of the Sewickley. He had two sons, Henry and Nicholas, and two daughters, Mrs. Christian Ruch and Mrs. John Cherry. The children by the second wife, whose maiden name was Catherine Dorn, were William, Michael, and George, Barbara, married John Scheffer; Susanna Jacob Hauck, and Mary Daniel Eschbach.

William Best was captain of a military company to defend the frontier settlements against the raids of the British and Indians during the Revolution. He and his family were members of the First Lutheran church, Greensburg, Pa., in which he was deacon and elder. June, 1818, he sold 208 acres of his farm and with the money purchased several hundred acres for each of his children in what was then part of Venango county, but is now in the southwestern section of Clarion county, Pa. In 1821 he sold the remainder of his property in Greensburg and went to live near where all his sons and daughters, except Nicholas, had their homes. The latter settled in Armstrong county, near Freeport, Pa.

William Best died in 1823, aged 90 years, and was buried in the cemetery he had given to St. Paul's Lutheran congregation, known as



Best's church, in Beaver township, Clarion county, Pa. At the Best reunion near this church in 1901 the historian stated that at that time the descendants of William Best were over nineteen hundred. Most of those living are in Western Pennsylvania, but a considerable number are in the southern and western states. Two of his great grandchildren, namely, the wife of the late Rev. J. B. Fox, who was pastor of the Heidelberg charge from 1889 till his death, and lived at Slatington and the Rev. J. A. Scheffer of Allentown, returned to live in Lehigh county. The Misses Estella and Alberta Fox also had their home in Slatington. Mrs. Fox was a sister of the late Rev. J. A. Kribbs, a brave officer during the Civil War, and former congressman; and Judge G. F. Kribbs, who is one of the graduates of Muhlenberg College. His sons and sons-in-law were industrious and well-to-do farmers and mechanics. And many of their descendants have followed similar occupations, though quite a number have been and are merchants, teachers, ministers, doctors, and lawyers, soldiers and officers in the army, members of the state legislature, congressmen and judges.

William Best, Sr.'s son, Michael, married Eva Catherine Schaeffer. June 8, 1786 a daughter was born to them and was named Barbara. July 2, she was baptized by the Rev. Solomon Frederici, a well-known Lutheran pastor among those early settlers. Her sponsors were Henry Best and wife. According to the census of 1790 Michael Best and wife had three daughters, but no sons. In 1802 the family moved from Heidelberg township, Northampton, now Lehigh county, to Murraysville, Westmoreland county, Pa. Barbara was married to Daniel Andreas (later written Andrews), in 1805. Andreas and his wife, several years afterward returned to Lehigh county, and lived near Slatington, where she died in 1882, in her 96th year. Their descendants still live in that vicinity.

To whom William Best's, Sr.'s, daughters, Barbara and Sabilla, were married, the records of St. Paul's church near Cherryville, do not give, but only the burials. From 1756 to 1888 more than thirty persons by the name of Best were buried there. It is not indicated whether it is the family or married name of the women.

Henry Best (son of William, Sr.), born 1748, is probably the ancestor of all those of the name Best who lived and still reside in the upper part of Northampton and Lehigh counties.

Henry Best was the father of Nicholas Best, born Nov. 23, 1775 and John Best born May 22, 1778. Nicholas Best and wife, Catherine, *nee* Schleicher, had nine children: Daniel, born

1807; Conrad, born 1810; Christian; Elias; Jacob; Lewis; Mary, Lucy, and Caroline.

Daniel Best married Eliza, daughter of John and Susanna (Guth) Bertsch. He died in 1849 and his widow in 1902. They had the following named children: Susanna, married Amandus Anthony, Stephen, died in Minnesota; Lewis H., and Elias Best, who is a Lutheran minister, and lives in Shelby, Ohio.

Lewis H. Best, born Aug. 1, 1843, married Louisa, daughter of Christian and Mary (Esch) Bilheimer. Their sons and daughters are Sylvester, deceased; George D., of Lincoln, Neb.; Henry O., South Whitehall township; Stephen A.; Walter J.; Franklin L.; Jane, deceased; William H.; Lillie M., married to Richard Peters, and Carrie L., married to Oliver Hausman, all live in Allentown. Lewis H. Best owned and cultivated a farm in North Whitehall township from 1873 to 1905, when he removed to Allentown, where he now lives. He served as school director and deacon of the Lutheran congregation, Unionville, where he and his family were members.

FRANKLIN L. BEST was born Dec. 22, 1871. He was educated in the public school and Kutztown Normal School, taught two terms. In 1891 he accepted a clerkship from H. Leh & Co., and later was with Hess Brothers. In January, 1910, he went into the grocery business at the corner of Ninth and Liberty streets in which he is prospering. He married Nora E., a daughter of Peter J. and Amanda (Hollenbach) Hoffman, of Balliettsville. Their children are Harold F., Grace A., Carl H., Lillian R., and Arline.

Mr. Best was elected school director several times in the Eighth ward and by the section board to the board of control. He is a member of several fraternal orders; and is active in church and Sunday school work.

Conrad Best, son of Nicholas, married Lydia Remely, born 1813. Their eldest son, William W., born 1834, is still living. He was the tender of the first canal lock below Walnutport, fifty-four years, and the company is now giving him pension for his long and faithful services. Of his brothers and sisters, Lewis Best married Jane Kern and lives on the Conrad Best farm near the railroad bridge below Walnutport. Christian went to Logansport, Ind.; Elias was killed in a slate quarry; Mary, married Philip Andrews, of Washington township; Lucy, married Henry Hankee, and Caroline, married Wilson Kelchner, of Walnutport, Pa.

Three of the seven children of William W. Best by his first wife are living, namely: John; Rosie, married to Josiah Gable, lives near her

father in Walnutport; and Jennie, to James O. Werth, Philadelphia. The second wife and two of her five children are living: Cora, married to Howard Opplinger, Berlinsville, and Josephine, married to Charles Saeger, lives in Weissport, Pa.

John Best, son of Henry, and wife, Elisabeth, *nee* Saeger, had these sons and daughters: Adam, born 1808; Jacob; Solomon; David; Elisabeth, married Daniel Kern; and Mary, married to Henry Peter. Adam Best lived at Berlinsville. He had two sons and a daughter: Stephen A.; William J.; and Sarah A., married to George Eckert. The latter's sons were: Adam; James J.; and Tilghman. The daughter was married to Amandus Snyder and lives in Allentown.

Stephen A. Best, born 1839, married Matilda, daughter of Joseph Smith. He died at the age of 52 years and his widow at the age of 67. Their graves are in Indianland church cemetery. They had three children: Lizzie, who married William H. Merkel, residing at Slatington; Joseph A., and Amandus. Stephen A. Best had a farm of 69 acres. He was active in political affairs and served as constable of Lehigh township 18 years. He was interested in the welfare of the Lutheran Church, of which he was a member.

JOSEPH A. BEST, born July 9, 1869, attended school in Berlinsville and Cherryville and later the American Commercial School in Allentown. He learned the stove and tinware business at Slatington, where he was employed for nine years. Mr. Best and William Neff, in 1893, formed a partnership and opened a stove store on North Tenth street, Allentown, and later removed to 34 North Seventh street. January, 1901, they dissolved partnership. The following April he and Lewis A. Acker formed the Joseph A. Best & Company stove and tinware firm, locating at 440 North Tenth street. The firm employs a considerable number of men and is doing a large, paying business.

Joseph A. Best married Annie Gruver. Mrs. Best died in 1900. They had a son, named Russel H. Mr. Best's second wife is Gertrude S., daughter of William Graul. They have these children: Clarence Stephen, Helen Elizabeth, and Willard Joseph. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. They reside in a fine home at 921 Gordon street, Allentown. Joseph A. Best was elected and re-elected to the select council from the Eighth ward and he is its Democratic county executive committee representative. He is active in the Pioneer Fire Company. He is identified with a number of beneficial and social organizations.

William J. Best, son of Adam, his wife having died, sold his farm a mile east of Walnutport and resides with his children: Mary A., died; Catherine R., married A. M. Minnich, and lives in Allentown; Cora, married Mr. ——— Reinert; William A. Best married Rosina Becker; and Wesley F., Jennie Hunsicker, and lives in Neffsville.

Jacob Best, son of John, born 1821, probably on his grandfather, Henry Best's, farm in the eastern border of Walnutport. He bought a farm in Washington township, Lehigh county, and lived on it. He was a carpenter by trade. He was a Lutheran member of the Unionville congregation, a deacon and one of the building committee that erected the present large church. His wife was Mary, daughter of George Krause. They had the following named children: Rose A., married David Reber; Madina, died; Elias, who lives at Neffsville; and David E, who lives at the old homestead, near Friedens church. Jacob Best died in 1876 and with his wife is buried in the Unionville cemetery. David E. Best was educated in the common school and at Eastman's Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He was reared on the farm and at an early age showed a fondness for bees. He has made a business of dairying, having as many as forty-four cows, and in 1911 fifty swarms or hives of bees. He is not only a truck farmer, but an apiarist and dairyman. He has the golden Italian bees and makes a specialty of Queen bees, which he sells and sends by mail to Texas and other states, having a large market for them.

Solomon Best (a grandson of John and great-grandson of Henry Best), owned a 100-acre farm where Best's postoffice and station on the Berks and Lehigh railroad now is. His wife was Caroline Peter. They had two sons and two daughters, Wilson, Lewis A., Henrietta J., and one daughter, who died in infancy. He and his family were Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church.

Solomon Best was an economical, thrifty farmer. He erected the buildings in which there has been a general country store for about forty years and Best's postoffice since 1875. The writer remembers seeing him some twenty years ago. He was a typical Best and Pennsylvania German.

Lewis A. Best, son of Solomon, was born 1856, in Washington township, Lehigh county. He worked on his father's farm till he was of age. Then he was in the mercantile or store business and had charge of the post office four years. In 1881 he went to Missouri where he was employed a year as apiarist. His next work was in California, where he was with a man who had



three hundred swarms or hives of bees, that made tons of honey every year. Mr. Best having returned to Lehigh county, in 1885, married Rosa J., a daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Blose) Wehr. The next year he began farming on what is known as the Jacob Peter homestead, and where he has since lived. Mr. Peter erected the stone house and log barn that are still used, about one hundred and fifty years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Best have had four children: Bessie L., died; Hattie, married George Hunsicker, Gertie B., and Jessie S., are at home.

Henrietta J. Best is the wife of Jarius Krause. They live and have charge of the business at Best station.

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N. B.—The writer of the Best biographical sketches has been able to gather very little information of but a few of the many families of that relationship. He asks that any one having reliable information, or records in old family Bibles, baptismal certificates, and other papers, would let him know that a fuller history may be written. He trusts these brief sketches are correct, and if not, is willing to be corrected. The foregoing paragraphs are published with the hope that it may help others to search for a fuller history of their ancestors.

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#### BIEBER FAMILY.

Jacob Bieber, the ancestor of this branch of the Bieber family, was born Dec. 24, 1731. He settled in Salisbury township in 1786, having purchased the large farm of Frantz Roth, and in that year was taxed on 460 acres. This land was warranted by Henry Roth, grandfather of Frantz, and one of the founders of the Salisbury church, as early as 1738. Jacob Bieber married Christina Steinbrenner and had eight sons and two daughters. He died Oct. 16, 1798, and is buried at Western Salisbury church. Among his children were George, Conrad, Abraham, and John.

George Bieber was born Jan. 25, 1768, and died June 30, 1839. He received 157 acres of his father's land, married Eva Klein, born Nov. 12, 1765, died Nov. 13, 1845, and had six children: David, Solomon, Jonathan, Polly, Elizabeth, and Hannah.

Conrad Bieber, born 1771, married Catharine Biery, and secured 151 acres of his father's land. His son Henry, had a daughter, Anna, who married Jacob Mauer.

Abraham Bieber was born Nov. 22, 1777, and died Dec. 5, 1804, aged 27 years. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham Griesemer, born Oct. 19, 1783, and they had two children: Abraham and Solomon.

Solomon Bieber was born in Salisbury town-

ship, March 28, 1803, and died Aug. 22, 1856. He followed farming all his life, and was overseer of the poor, and held other township offices. He was a member of the Western Salisbury Lutheran church, in which he was elder and deacon for many years. He is buried in the church cemetery. His wife was Barbara Gangewere, born May 18, 1807, died Oct. 7, 1861, daughter of Daniel Gangewere, of Hanover township, Lehigh county. They had ten children: Angelina, married Amos Heller; Isabella, died single; Charles, deceased, married Mary Danner; Henry G.; Sylvester, born 1834, died 1905, married Tevillia Kline, was a miller by trade, and had a son, Morris; Emma, married David Danner, and resides at Slatington; Maria, single; James, deceased, who was married, and lived at Frankfort, Ind., where he left a family; Milton, living in Huntington, Ind.; Loraine, married Amandus O. Greenawald, of Stroudsburg, Pa., and who died in 1900.

HENRY GANGEWERE BIEBER was born May 10, 1832, in Salisbury township, where he owned a farm of 89 acres. He was reared on the farm, received a common school education, and later, about 1850, learned the trade of carpenter with Schwartz & Diefenderfer. He followed the trade as a journeyman in Newark, N. J., and Catasauqua for a few years, when he formed a partnership with Abraham Diefenderfer, engaging in the contracting and building business at Allentown for a number of years.

In 1857 he returned to his farm, the Bieber homestead. He was a member of the Salisbury Reformed church and served as deacon, elder, and trustee. He was a Democrat in politics, and was road supervisor of Salisbury township for thirteen years and school director from 1862 to 1865. His first vote was cast for James Buchanan. He died June 2, 1914.

In 1858 he married Eva Elisabeth Kline, daughter of Reuben and Judith (Wieand) Kline, of Salisbury township. They had four children: Ellen, at home; Emma, married Jacob L. Schantz, of Upper Milford; George H., at home; and John R., of Allentown, who married Laura Romig.

#### BIEHM FAMILY.

Andrew W. Biehm married Mary Coper, whose father was an officer in Washington's army.

Their only child was a son, Henry W. Biehm, who was born April 21, 1834. He was reared upon the farm and educated in the public schools. He married Julia Ann Kline. Issue: Andrew W., of Emaus; Annie (Mrs. L. Sones of the Blue Church); Oscar J. (was a veterinary surgeon); and Charles F. Biehm.

CHARLES F. BIEHM, Justice of the Peace of Center Valley, is a son of Henry W., and was born March 3, 1877, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. He was reared upon the farm and was educated in the public schools until 18 years of age after which he attended the Keystone State Normal school, at Kutztown, Pa., graduating in the class of '98. He began to teach the same year in Upper Saucon township, also taught at Emaus. In politics he is a Democrat; was registration assessor of the district for four years; was appointed by Gov. Edwin Stuart, in 1910, as Justice of the Peace of Saucon township, and in 1911 was nominated by the Democrats and endorsed by the Republicans and elected without opposition. His term of office expires in 1918. He served as superintendent of the Sunday School in the Union Chapel at Centre Valley for seven years and also was a trustee of Union Chapel Association. He is a member of the Reformed congregation, of Blue Church, of which he was a deacon for two years.

He was married to Sarah R. Wireback, a daughter of Jacob and Amanda (Schantz) Wireback. Two children bless their union, namely: Leroy W. and Arline E. Biehm.

#### BIERY FAMILY.

The founder of the branch of the family established in Lehigh county was Joseph Biery, a native of Oberland, in the Canton of Bern, Switzerland. The old form of the name was "Bieri" and is so written at the present day in Switzerland. The family is probably of French origin, a branch of which, however, was located in Bern as early as 1511.

Joseph Biery, the emigrant, was born in the year 1703. He was a man of position and property in his native land, and came to America, arriving at Philadelphia, in the ship, "Samuel," commanded by Hugh Percy, taking the oath of allegiance at the Colonial Court House, soon after landing on Aug. 27, 1739. Among his fellow passengers were Sebastian, Christopher, Philip, and Casper Doll, and their sisters, Catharine, Barbara, Margaretha, and Elizabeth. The friendship formed during the long voyage, ripened into a closer tie, when Elizabeth Doll became, soon after their arrival, the wife of Joseph Biery.

Accompanied by the members of his wife's family, Joseph Biery proceeded to Oley, in Berks county, where they sojourned for a brief period, removing subsequently to Ruscombmanor, on the Little Lehigh creek, in what is now known as Longswamp, in Berks county. Here he acquired, nearly a thousand acres of land. In addition to being a large land-owner, he built and operated a saw-mill, grist-mill, and an iron forge.

His enterprises became known as "Biery's Mills" and are so named on Surveyor-General Nicholas Scull's map of eastern Pennsylvania, in 1759. He was a prominent member of the Reformed church at Longswamp, which was organized long before 1750. In the records of the church his name appears as the largest contributor for the building of a church in 1748. He was also the treasurer of the congregation as well as one of the two members composing the "building committee."

His brother-in-law, Christopher Doll, in a will dated the 24th day of June, 1751, bequeaths to him his estate of two hundred acres in consideration of which he is to maintain "his sister, Catharina Doll during her life" and to pay certain legacies to his brother Philip and "other sisters." Caspar Doll became a resident of Plainfield township, Northampton county, and served as a captain of the Revolution.

Joseph Biery entered into a certain agreement with his two sons, Henry and Philip, dated the 21st day of May, 1766, that "they should have all his lands and part of his personal estate, on condition that each of them should pay to their sister, Anna Margareta, the sum of seventy-five pounds and also maintain him and his wife during their natural lives." He died in the early part of February, 1768, leaving no will. Letters of administration were granted to his widow, Feb. 10, 1768. He left three children: Henry, Philip, and Anna Margareta, the wife of Peter Keyser, of Macungie.

Philip Biery disposed of his property in Berks county before the year 1786, removing from Longswamp soon after. No record has been found, however, showing where he made his new home though it has been thought that he settled in Virginia. The only trace of his after career is found in a baptismal record of the First Reformed church, at Lancaster, Pa, where Susan, daughter of Philip and Elizabeth Biery, born July 2, 1791, was baptized Sept. 7, 1791.

Philip Biery was evidently named after his maternal uncle, Philip Doll. His wife's name was Maria Elizabeth, as shown by the church records at Longswamp, which also show the following baptisms of their children: Anna Margaretha, June 7, 1772; Maria Catharina, Oct. 23, 1774; Johannes, born Nov. 5, 1776; Daniel, born Aug. 16, 1779; Maria, born Aug. 5, 1786, Lehigh Church.

Henry Biery, the eldest son and heir-at-law of Joseph Biery, was born on the Biery homestead, at Longswamp, March 25, 1741. He resided on the homestead with his brother, Philip, during the lifetime of their father. He had acquired other landed property before entering into his in-



heritance, and was rated as one of the wealthiest men in Berks county.

Desiring to locate in Whitehall township in Lehigh county, he sold his properties to George Schall, of Earl township, Berks county, the deed thereof bearing date April 6, 1785. George Schall was a brother-in-law and close friend of Henry Biery. His wife was Catharine Newhard, of Whitehall township, a sister of Henry Biery's wife. The Biery homestead at Longswamp in recent years, was owned by the Trexler family.

Henry Biery, soon after the sale of his property to George Schall, purchased a plantation of several hundred acres in the neighborhood of the Egypt church, in Whitehall township, where he made his new home. He married, in 1764, Maria Salome, daughter of Michael Neuhard. (See Newhard Family.) Henry Biery, after his removal to Egypt, soon took a prominent part in the affairs of the township and of the Reformed Church, of which the Biery family since the days of Zwingli have been staunch supporters. His children inter-married with the leading families of the county, and their descendants to this day have been closely identified with the material civic and political development of the county. He died May 1, 1804, leaving a large estate which was divided among his children of whom he had thirteen, two of whom died in infancy. His widow, Maria Salome, survived him twenty-five years, dying Jan. 12, 1829. Their remains are buried in the Egypt church-yard. A tombstone in good preservation marks the last resting-place of Maria Salome Biery. The first of their children were born at Longswamp, the remainder in Whitehall township.

Joseph Biery, born Nov. 5, 1766; died in infancy. Henry Biery, born Oct. 1, 1768. Frederick Biery, born April 22, 1770. David Biery, born Feb. 19, 1772. Maria Salome Biery, born Jan. 30, 1773. Maria Magdalena Biery, born March 24, 1776. Anna Margaretha Biery, born June 2, 1778. Johan Peter Biery, born July 12, 1780. Barbara Biery, born June 5, 1728. Abraham Biery, born April 21, 1784. Maria Catharina Biery, born June 28, 1786. John Jacob Biery, born Nov. 9, 1787. Elizabeth Biery, born April 8, 1791.

Henry Biery or "Beary," as he wrote his name, the founder of Bearytown, Seneca county, New York, the second son of Henry Biery, was born at Longswamp, Berks county, Pa., Oct. 1, 1768. In the deed of partition "between Henry Biery and his brother, Frederick Biery, for property located in Hanover township, now in the borough of Catasauqua, bearing date, Oct. 1, 1802, the names of both brothers are spelled

"Beary" in the body of the deed, while they vary in the signatures; Henry signing himself "Beary," and Frederick spelling the name "Biery." The wives of the brothers, who also joined in the deed, signed their names in the Swiss form of "Bieri."

Henry Biery was married on May 5, 1799, to Maria Catharine Ruch, born Oct. 30, 1775, the daughter of Lorenz Ruch and sister of Brigadier-General Peter Ruch, a soldier of the War of 1812. He and his younger brother, Frederick, purchased on the 30th of July, 1801, from their kinsman, Jacob Newhard, the old grist-mill and saw-mill and one hundred acres of land on Catasauqua creek, now within the borough limits of Catasauqua.

Henry Beary removed to Seneca county, New York before the year 1819, where he purchased a large tract of military lands. He soon established a business center, first known as "Beary's Corners," but which subsequently grew into Bearytown, by which name it is known to this day, a beautiful, typical New York state village.

Henry Beary was one of the most popular men in Seneca county, his place was a favorite gathering place for military organizations on general training days, and also for political conventions. A quaint old stone church building in which the members of the Reformed congregation worship, stands opposite Henry Beary's old home. In the graveyard in the rear of the building lie the remains of many of the Beary family. A granddaughter of Henry Beary in recent years presented a chime of bells to the congregation. Henry Beary died Jan. 6, 1836, and his wife, Catharine, January 22, 1863.

The pastor of this congregation for over sixty years (1821-1882), was the Rev. Diedrich Willers, D.D., who studied theology under the Rev. Dr. Jacob Christman Becker. Through the instrumentality of Henry Beary he received a call to the Bearytown church, the only charge he ever served. Dr. Willer's daughter, Margaret, became the wife of Henry Beary.

Issue: Sarah Beary, born Nov. 11, 1799; died Aug. 19, 1803. Ann Beary, born Sept. 15, 1801; married, March 24, 1818, Benjamin Gambee; died Sept. 12, 1823; issue: two children: John and Mary Ann. Thomas Beary, born July 31, 1803, in Hanover township, Northampton county, Pa.; married, Nov. 4, 1831, Salome Frantz, daughter of Jacob Frantz; died Feb. 19, 1837; issue: one daughter, Lucinda. Catharine Beary, born June 9, 1805; married April 26, 1823, Samuel Gambee; died Sept. 19, 1880; issue: seven children: Eliza Ann, married (first) William Welch; (second) David Whitney; Charlotte, died young; Carolina

L., married Thomas K. Bambrick; Charles Biery Gambee, born April 5, 1828; colonel of the Fifty-Fifth Ohio Regiment, was killed at the battle of Resaca, Georgia, May 15, 1864; Deborah, married Hiram C. Wilkin; Matilda, married Timothy Dunham, and Henry, who died in infancy. Sarah (Salome) Beary, born Dec. 29, 1807; married, Sept. 9, 1827, William Hoskins; issue: nine children: Henry, married Phoebe Griswold; Caroline married John Shaver; Ebenezer, married Anetta Bater; William, Jr., married Jane E. Dixon; Thomas, married Electa Bachman; Louisa, married Russell Pierce; Lorenz, married Eliza Bird; Lucretia V., married Clement A. Lounsbury, and Minerva, married Collins Pierce. Deborah Beary, born Nov. 22, 1809; married, Feb. 14, 1828, to George W. Bachman; died June 9, 1880; issue: four children: Charles Bachman, born Jan. 23, 1829; married March 21, 1850, Margaret A. Willers, daughter of the Rev. Diedrich Willers, D.D., and sister of the Hon. Diedrich Willers, Jr., secretary of state of New York; Catharine, died unmarried; Charlotte, married John G. Hoster; Ellen Elizabeth, married (first) Luther Johnson; (second) Thomas Baird. William Beary, born Nov. 3, 1811; married March 26, 1837, Ann Mauger, daughter of Henry Mauger; died Aug. 5, 1893; elected mayor of Seneca Falls, New York, in 1865; issue: two children: James Perry Beary, attorney-at-law, married to Nancy Amelia Proudfoot; Edward F., married Eliza Smalldridge. Hannah Beary, born Sept. 15, 1813; married, Oct. 10, 1834, William Deppen; died Feb. 11, 1847; issue: five children (?): Ellen, married LeRoy C. Partridge, banker, Seneca Falls, New York; Margaret Ann, married James Hayt; Emma M., married John H. Crane; Mary C., died unmarried. Columbus Ruch. Margaret Beary, born Oct. 4, 1816; married, July 19, 1833, John Shoemaker; died Oct. 1, 1882; issue: five children: Horace, Lorenzo, and Laura, who died in infancy; Albert H. and Edson D., who married Sarah M. Comes, of Brockport, New York. Charles Beary, born March 12, 1820; married April 11, 1839, Sophia Locke, a daughter of Peter Locke, of Bath, Pa.; died, Jan. 8, 1875; issue: four children: Frances Elizabeth, married Justice Parmlee; Lorenzo D., married Mrs. Linnie, *nee* Ervin, of New Orleans; Columbus, no family, and Ada Lillieore, married Byron Vreeland, son of John Bogart Vreeland, of New Jersey.

Frederick Biery, the third son of Henry Biery, was born at Longswamp, Berks county, Pa., April 22, 1770. He married (first) in 1795, Salome Knauss, daughter of Captain Godfrey

Knauss, a soldier of the Revolution and granddaughter of Judge John Griesemer, a patriot and soldier of the Revolution and member of the Northampton County Committee of Safety.

Frederick Biery became a resident of what is now known as Catasauqua in 1801. The Biery homestead, a dwelling-house on Race street, located near the ancient dam, a great stone building, with massive walls two feet thick, was built as early as 1760, and probably earlier by the owners of the mill. It was remodeled by Frederick Biery in 1803 or 1804. Frederick Biery was a man of unusual business ability and soon established a thriving business, adding to his grist- and saw-mills, a fulling-mill. He also carried on farming, but his chief concern was to build up Biery's Port as a business center. The beautiful stone buildings he erected at various times near his mills are lasting monuments to his good taste. He also established a ferry across the Lehigh river and in 1824 he built one of the first chain bridges in the United States, which less than ten years afterwards was swept away by the flood of 1841.

Frederick Biery took an active part in the affairs of Hanover township and frequently held office. He was a staunch adherent of the Reformed Church, and in politics was a Federalist and Whig. He was married for a second time, April 26, 1827, to the widow Catherine Dorney, *nee* Frederick. He died Aug. 31, 1846, and was buried in the graveyard at the Shoenersville church.

Salome Biery, born Jan. 3, 1796, married John Weber, of Lower Saucon; died March 25, 1863. Issue: Owen, born April 3, 1819, married Catharine Dimmig.

Maria Magdalena Biery, born May 6, 1797, married Jacob Beil, died Feb. 10, 1872. Issue: Nine children, Rebecca married — Dimmich; Daniel, married — Clader; Henry, married — Hess; William, married — Fenstermacher; Owen; Mary, married Monroe Snyder, murdered at Bethlehem; Sally, married to — Kohl; Christina, married — Driesbach and Abby.

Joseph Biery, born May 4, 1799, married Elizabeth Laubach, daughter of John George Laubach; died Sept. 13, 1830. Issue: Five children: William Biery, born Dec. 30, 1821, married Anna Barbara Knauss, died Jan. 12, 1896. Their son, Hon. William F. Biery, represented Carbon county in the Pennsylvania legislature, 1893-1894. George died unmarried; Sally, married Peter Beil; Catharine (Kit) born Sept. 18, 1828, married Thomas Frederick, son of the Hon. George Frederick.

Hannah, died in infancy.



Daniel Biery, born Feb. 15, 1802, married April 1, 1827, to Salome Koehler. Died, July 4, 1878. Issue: Five children: Sarah; Matilda and Daniel, died young; Eliza, married John Heckman; Tilghman, married Abby Moyer.

Jonas Biery, born Jan. 28, 1804, married, in 1826, Salome Kiechel, daughter of John Kiechel. Died, November 23, 1878. Issue: Eight children—Mary, married Peter Laux, their son, the Hon. James B. Laux, was elected a presidential elector in 1892, representing the Twenty-first Congressional District of Pennsylvania, and wrote this history of the Biery family. Adeline, married Henry F. Beck. Rebecca, married Augustus H. Gilbert. Edward, married Fietta Bartholomew. Walter J. Biery, died unmarried. Frank Biery, married (first) Elizabeth Kurtz; (second) Sally Hess. Salome, died young. William, a soldier of the Civil War, married Sybilla Riegel.

David Biery, born Sept. 26, 1806, married Mary Ann Paul, daughter of John Paul and Esther Faust. Died Feb. 12, 1860. Issue: Eleven children: Caroline, married George W. Bogh; Henry R., married Maria Ruch; Susanna, married David Ruch; Hetty, married (first) Nathan Good; (second) Jonathan J. Fisher; Walter F., married Catharine Roth; Mary Ann, married Joseph Kidd; John David, married Fianna Weaver; Sophia C., married Phaon P. Good; Owen T., married Susan E. Balliet; Diana B., died in childhood; Salome E., married Augustus W. Mennig, son of the Rev. William G. Mennig.

Solomon Biery, born Aug. 17, 1808, married Mary M. Frederick, daughter of the Hon. George Frederick, died Jan. 20, 1874. Issue: Catharine, married Charles F. Beck.

Rebecca Biery, born June 28, 1810, married, Aug. 20, 1831, Nicholas Snyder, removed to Crawford county, Pa. Died Dec. 18, 1880. Issue: Abbie and Mary A.

Esther Biery, born April 19, 1813. Married John Laubach. Died Feb. 18, 1873. Issue: Stephen, Margaret, Mrs. Kohler, and Owen, died, unmarried.

Lucy Ann Biery, born Jan. 1, 1815, married, Dec. 20, 1835, to Samuel Koehler. Died Nov. 3, 1875. Issue: nine children—Sarah A. Elizabeth, married to Dr. John C. Foelker. Urias, unmarried. Esther, married James E. Hoch. Samuel J. Koehler, married Anna A. Smith. Amanda, married Martin Zellner. Theodore J., married Jane Faust. Elmira M., died, unmarried. William F., married Rosa Miller. Monroe E., married Susan Farber.

Paul Biery, born May 23, 1817, died unmarried, Oct. 9, 1841.

David Biery, fourth son of Henry Biery, was

born at Longswamp, Berks county, Pa., Feb. 19, 1772. Married, March 17, 1795, Susanna Mickley, daughter of John Martin Mickley, of Whitehall township. He died Jan. 7, 1827. His wife, Susanna, was born Oct. 19, 1773, and died Nov. 21, 1872, over ninety-nine years of age. They had ten children.

Peter Biery (see below).

Maria Margaret Biery, born Nov. 10, 1797, married Peter Kern, died March 30, 1883.

Lydia Biery, born Oct. 28, 1799; married (first) Jonas Yundt; (second) John Newhard, of Allentown.

Joseph Biery, born Jan. 21, 1802, married Salome Miller; died Sept. 18, 1860.

Catharina Biery, born July 20, 1804, baptized Sept. 17, 1804, sponsors: Henry Biery and wife, Catharina; married March 22, 1835, Jacob Scherer, who was born July 6, 1806, at Waldmor, Rheinkreis, Bayern (Bavaria), son of Nicholas and Catharina Scherer, arrived at New York, Dec. 25, 1833, died April 18, 1877. Catharina Biery Scherer, died Nov. 18, 1885. Children:

Sarah A., married Peter Brown, superintendent of the Allentown furnaces.

William Edman Scherer, born Oct. 11, 1835, died Nov. 11, 1912, married Elvina Koons.

Caroline Susanna Scherer, born Nov. 30, 1836, died Aug. 31, 1897, married Captain David Schaadt. Hon. James L. Schaadt and J. Alan Schaadt, born 1862, died 1903, are their sons.

Frederick E. Scherer, born Nov. 20, 1837, died May 13, 1907.

Henry Joseph Scherer, born March 6, 1839, died Aug. 14, 1851.

Charlotte Catharina Scherer, born Oct. 23, 1840, died Feb. 9, 1902.

Triplets born March 26, 1842:

Albert David Scherer, died Feb. 29, 1844.

Ludwig Philip Scherer, soldier Civil War, died in service.

August Carl Scherer, soldier Civil war, died Oct. 28, 1864, in hospital at Baltimore, of wounds received at Cedar Creek, Va., Oct. 19, 1864.

Mary Elizabeth Scherer, born July 5, 1849, married E. F. Knecht, a Gettysburg veteran.

Sarah (Salome) Biery, twin sister of Catharina, wife of Jacob Scherer, born July 20, 1804, married Ludwig Schmidt, druggist, of Allentown, Pa., born at Michelstadt, in Odenwald, Germany, Oct. 22, 1797, died Jan. 11, 1880: Issue: Mary Klump, married to Lewis Klump (born Sept. 22, 1819; died Dec. 11, 1889); their children: Charlotte, married to George Waldman; Charles C. Klump, druggist, of Allentown; Louise, married to Rev. W. H. Frick,

of Milwaukee; Ella Cobb; George Klump, deceased. Henry Schmidt. Amelia Schmidt Weber, widow of Augustus Weber, druggist, deceased. Lewis Schmidt. Hannah Thomee. Emma Cobble. Charles Schmidt. The above-named Salome Schmidt died Dec. 24, 1870; her daughter, the above-named Mary Klump, is living in the old drug store, which she helps to attend, at the age of over ninety-three.

Maria Magdalene (Polly) Biery, born April 9, 1808, married the Hon. Samuel Marx in 1826, died June 3, 1888. Issue: Three children: Henrietta, married (first) Simon H. Price; (second) Peter Gross; William Samuel Marx, born March 1, 1829, married May 18, 1854, Josephine W. Baldwin, of Bloomfield, N. J.; died Sept. 2, 1866. Graduate of Princeton University, 1848; elected district attorney of

H., married Ruby S. Saeger; Charles W., married Clara M. Light; Edw. S.; Sarah J., married Alfred Andrews.

Susanna Biery, born April 3, 1817, married, March 16, 1834, William H. Blumer, and died Dec. 1, 1835.

Peter Biery was born Dec. 2, 1795, and died Aug. 16, 1870. He married, Oct. 13, 1815, Mary Anna Keck, daughter of John Keck, who was born May 11, 1795, and died April 11, 1865. They had two children: Eliza, born March 14, 1817, died Nov. 1, 1901, who married Samuel Lightcap; and Eli S. Beary, born Nov. 30, 1818, died in 1886. Eli S. married, Feb. 12, 1840, Eliza, daughter of Solomon Fatzinger, who was born March 6, 1821, and died Jan. 27, 1902. They had six children: Mahlon H. Beary, born Nov. 12, 1840, died Sept. 18, 1914, attorney-at-



Biery House, Catasauqua, Built about 1760.

Lehigh county, 1856. Their son, Henry F. Marx, a graduate of Lafayette College, is librarian of the public library of Easton, Pa. Lavinia Elizabeth, married, Feb. 22, 1853, Jonathan W. Grubb, of Chester county, Pa.; Laura G., wife of Andrew P. Wachtman; Florence A., widow of Joseph Alexander, are their children.

David Biery, born July 30, 1810, married a Mrs. Arnold.

Stephen Biery, born in Whitehall township, March 28, 1813, removed to Seneca county, New York, in 1836, married Sept. 14, 1840, Sarah Ruch; died in Waterloo, N. Y., April 25, 1890. Issue: Ten children: Susan, married Harrison Troutman; Eliza Ann, married Henry W. Saeger; Barbara Ellen, married Fred. Metzgar; David Knox, married, Nov. 18, 1880, Caroline Brown; Isabel Victoria, married John A. Maurer; Mary Catherine, married Daniel R. Kennery; Stephen

law, soldier in the Civil War, wounded at Antietam, subsequently a farmer in Missouri, graduated in medicine in 1881, practiced in the West until 1891, who married Emma A. Newhard and had children: Charles N., born Nov. 2, 1865, died May 5, 1902; Mary E., wife of Wm. H. White; Anna V., wife of Stephen A. Sturtevant; Gertrude C., and M. Herbert Beary, secretary and treasurer of the Penn Counties Trust Company, Allentown. Allen F. Beary, born Feb. 7, 1842, died July 10, 1844. Peter S. Beary, who married Emma E. Schindel, daughter of Rev. Jeremiah Schindel, and had three children: Major Frank D. Beary, deputy adjutant-general of Pennsylvania; J. E. Schindel, deceased, who married Lavinia Wolfram, and had one child, Margaret, and Harry, deceased. Jeremiah S. T. Beary, married Mary A. Schmidt. Dr. Eli S. Beary, of Philadelphia, who married Rachel



Donnelly, and has three children, Edith, wife of William Troost, Martha and Eliza. Andrew George V. Beary, who married Maria Walker Allen, and had one son, Thomas B., and second, W. Dimmit Allen.

Major Beary enlisted as a private in Company son of Peter and Emma E. (Schindel) Beary, was born Feb. 18, 1869, in Allentown. He was educated in the public schools, graduating in 1885, and then attended the Murray Private Academy, at Newark, N. J., and after graduation began teaching, at the age of seventeen, in the public schools of Lehigh county, until 1904, when he became connected with E. J. Faust, as manager of his jewelry business.

Major Beary enlisted as a private in Company B, Fourth Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania: was promoted to Sergeant Major on June 8, 1896, and to Adjutant on May 4, 1898; re-commissioned April 8, 1899, retaining this rank until May 7, 1908, when he was elected major of the Third Battalion. At the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, he was commissioned Battalion Adjutant and Second Lieutenant by Governor Hastings. On May 21, 1898, he was appointed regimental commissary, and had charge of the provisioning of the regiment during the entire war. He was honorably mustered out of service, Nov. 16, 1898. He was the only member of the regiment that gained his commission during the Spanish War. He was appointed by Governor Pennypacker to organize a troop of state police to be assigned to the Wyoming Valley and organized Troop B, at Wilkes-Barre, and established their barracks at Wyoming in 1905. Upon completion of this service he returned to civil life at Allentown. On Dec. 26, 1911, Major Beary was appointed by Governor Tener, deputy adjutant-general; a signal honor, and an office sought by many officers of the National Guard. In politics Major Beary is a Republican. He has been a member of Christ Reformed church since 1893, and since 1894 superintendent of the Sunday school. He was chairman of the building committee which erected the present church edifice in 1896, and furnished gratuitously the original plans for the church. He has been chairman of the church corporation continuously since 1905. In the fall of 1905, he organized the boys' brigade of Christ Reformed church, consisting of 70 boys and is their chief instructor and drill master. He was elected in 1910, chairman of the Board of School Controllers, of the City of Allentown.

He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., and of St. James Commandery, No. 63, Knights of Malta, having been one of the organizers and its first commander. He was a

member of the Grand Lodge in 1891, and 1892. He has a large collection of war relics from Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Phillippine Islands, and an extensive private library, containing a large collection of historical works.

Major Beary married, Aug. 27, 1890, Miss Annie A., daughter of William and Rebecca (Woodward) Wolfram, of Easton. They have two children: Karl F. and Joyce E. One child, Ralph E., died in infancy.

Maria Salome Biery, eldest daughter of Henry, was born at Longswamp, Jan. 30, 1773, m. Peter Mickley, and died Oct. 29, 1868. They had eleven children.

Maria Magdalena Biery, second daughter of Henry, was born at Longswamp, March 24, 1776, m. Oct. 14, 1794, Peter Mickley, son of John Martin, and died March 13, 1859, in Adams county, Pa. They had ten children.

Anna Margaretha Biery, third daughter of Henry, was born at Longswamp, June 2, 1778, married, March 23, 1795, John Mickley, son of John Martin, and died Feb. 15, 1852, in Adams county, Pa. They had nine children.

John Peter Biery, fifth son of Henry, born July 12, 1783, died in infancy.

Barbara Biery, fourth daughter of Henry, was born at Longswamp, June 5, 1782, married, Aug. 4, 1799, Henry Burkhalter, and died Sept. 23, 1834. She had 14 children.

Abraham Biery, sixth son of Henry, born April 21, 1784, at Longswamp, married Salome Burkhalter, born Dec. 7, 1785, died April 20, 1856. He died, March 14, 1853. They had seven children:

Joseph Biery, born Aug. 8, 1802, emigrated to Illinois.

Maria Salome, b. Nov. 15, 1803, married Solomon Woodring.

Anna, born April 29, 1805, m. Thomas Faust, and had one child, Thomas B. Faust, married Mary Ann Dorney.

Magdalena, born April 4, 1807.

Delia, born Oct. 7, 1808, married Henry Frack and settled in Iowa.

Reuben, born Oct. 19, 1810, settled in Missouri.

Elizabeth, born Dec. 20, 1812, married Emanuel Kern, and settled in Iowa.

Maria Catharina Biery, fifth daughter of Henry, was born in Whitehall township, June 28, 1786, and married Peter Burkhalter. They settled in Indiana, and had twelve children.

Johan Jacob Biery, seventh son of Henry Biery, born in Whitehall township, Nov. 9, 1787, married, March 27, 1807, Salome Steckel, daughter of John and Magdalena Steckel.

Settled in Seneca county, New York, in spring of 1833. He was soldier of the War of 1812. He served in Captain Peter Ruch's Company of cavalry. Died Jan. 15, 1864.

Children: William Biery, born May 11, 1811, married (first) Feb. 16, 1833, Lydia Rebert; (second) Feb. 6, 1850, Mary Burkhalter, (third) Nov. 14, 1872, Mrs. Eliza Ann Gambee, *nee* Ireland. Died June 25, 1885. Issue by first wife only: Nine children—Henry, William, Jr.; Lucinda; Mary Jane; Ellen Elizabeth; Sarah, M.; Lydia Ann; Eli; and Jacob.

Esther, born Aug. 22, 1808, married, Feb. 28, 1833, Peter Kohler. Died Dec. 16, 1899. Issue: Four children—Sarah Jane, Jacob, Caroline, and Catharine.

Elizabeth Biery, sixth and youngest daughter of Henry, was born April 8, 1791, in Whitehall township, married Peter Steckel, and died Aug. 25, 1835. They had fourteen children, and removed to Indiana.

Another branch of the Biery family is descended from Michael Biery, undoubtedly a relative of Joseph, probably a nephew. He frequently spelled his name Bueri, which is the ancient Swiss spelling as in ancient Swiss records mention is made of Werner Bueri, who fell at the battle of Wyl, in 1445; Joos Bueri, governor of Thurgau in 1510, and John Bueri, councillor in 1601. Michael Biery was born Aug. 2, 1739, and came to America on Oct. 1, 1754, on the ship, "Phoenix." He appears to have settled in Albany township, Berks county, where he married Mary Eva Smith, daughter of Nicholas and Elizabeth Barbara Smith. Their first child, Elizabeth Barbara Biery, was baptized in Allemaengel, in the house of Mr. Strasser, on April 20, 1764, by Rev. Schumacher, but died in infancy. Michael Biery later settled in Macungie township, where his name occurs in 1766. In 1772 he was taxed in the township and in 1788 owned 118 acres of land in Macungie. His son, John, was baptized at Lehigh church on Dec. 25, 1770, when John Bieri was one of his sponsors. This John Bieri or Biere, was born March 1, 1746, in Tagenfels, the son of Hans Ulrich Biere, and Barbara Haustey. He died May 21, 1817.

Michael Biery purchased 124 acres in Salisbury township from George Ott on May 14, 1792, and on Feb. 27, 1796, purchased from George Voght, a tract of 173 acres in the same township, where he lived until his death. He served in the War of the Revolution in Capt. George Knappenberger's company as a drummer. He died Sept. 5, 1800, aged 61 years, and was buried in the old Salisbury church graveyard,

where his tombstone can still be deciphered. His will, dated Aug. 11, 1800, was probated Oct. 6, 1800. His widow survived him. They had four sons and four daughters, of whom one son and one daughter died in infancy. The surviving six children, who are all mentioned in his will, were:

Magdalena Biery, born April 16, 1766, died Sept. 30, 1831. She married Jacob Diefenderfer, born March 16, 1765, died Sept. 29, 1837.

Barbara Biery, born July 2, 1767, died Dec. 7, 1847. She married Herman Rupp, born Nov. 7, 1756, died Aug. 30, 1831.

John Biery, born Oct. 28, 1770, of whom below.

Jacob Biery, born Feb. 23, 1773. He resided in Salisbury township and with his wife, Susanna, had several children.

Catharine Biery, born 1776, married Conrad Bieber. They had a son, Henry Bieber, who married Rebecca Straub.

Henry Biery, born Oct. 2, 1783, married, Sept. 14, 1806, Catharine, daughter of John Bieber, and had several children.

John Biery, eldest son of Michael, was born in Macungie township, October 28, 1770, and died in Salisbury township, Jan. 16, 1828. He married, June 17, 1798, Catharine, daughter of Daniel and Veronica Troxell, of Whitehall township. She was born Nov. 13, 1779, and died Jan. 23, 1858. They had six sons and six daughters: Henry; Jonathan; Abraham, born June 15, 1805; John; Nathan; Daniel; Veronica, born Sept. 2, 1807, married Dec. 24, 1826; George Reinhard; Elizabeth; Catharine, born July 23, 1812, married, Aug. 9, 1829, Henry Reinhard; Annie; Lydia, and Maria.

Henry Biery, eldest son of John, was born March 3, 1799. He farmed a portion of the homestead in Salisbury until 1837, when he removed to Venango county, where he died, Feb. 15, 1881. He married Esther Slotterer, and had eight sons and three daughters. One son was Hon. James S. Biery, member of congress from the Lehigh-Montgomery district from 1873 to 1875. He was born in Venango county, March 2, 1839, and became a teacher in that county and in Lehigh county. He was admitted to the bar in 1868 and practiced law at Allentown until his death, Dec. 3, 1904. He married Annie, daughter of Elias Mertz, and had one son, Arthur L.

Jonathan Biery, second son of John, was born Feb. 2, 1801. He married Veronica Roth and had five children: John, Jacob, of Clyde, Kansas; Philip; Mrs. William Unangst, and Mrs. George Kauffman. John Biery, son of Jonathan, was born April 1, 1829, and died Dec. 13, 1905.



He was in the coal business and operated lime kilns at Allentown for many years, and was a member of Zion Reformed church. He married, in 1853, Mary A. Geidner, daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth Geidner. She was born March 18, 1831, and died May 2, 1903. They had five children: Eliza, wife of Levi Camp; Emma, wife of William Mack; Jacob G.; Hannah, wife of Charles Esser, and Charles, deceased, who married Ida Myer. Jacob G. Biery, who succeeded to his father's business, married Annie Esser, and had four children: Miriam, Roy J., Fred C., and Kathleen S.

Daniel Biery, son of John, was born Jan. 1, 1819, and died Jan. 25, 1895. He was a tailor as well as a farmer in Salisbury township and a member and official of the Western Salisbury church. He married (first) Catharine Seems, and had three children: Amanda S., widow of Lewis Benner, of 138 North Twelfth street, Allentown; Henry A., born Feb. 27, 1846, a dealer in antique furniture, at Charlottesville, Va., and Susan, married Harry Fluck. He married (second) Catharine, daughter of George Hottel, born April 6, 1828, died Jan. 11, 1910. They had three children: James W., and Anna M. and Mary J., both of Lower Macungie.

JAMES WALTER BIERY, a well-known farmer of Lower Macungie, was born Oct. 18, 1857, on the old Biery farm, near the former state fishery, in Salisbury township. He was educated in the township schools and the Kutztown Normal School, and continued with his father on the farm until 1889. After working at the fishery for a short time, he moved to the 60-acre farm of his father-in-law, which he since successfully conducted.

Mr. Biery married Lesta A., daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Wickert) Wenner, formerly of Wenersville, now living, in his seventy-seventh year, with his son-in-law. Mrs. Wenner was born April 3, 1823, and died Sept. 20, 1907. They have four children: Flora Mabel; Ellis Stanley, who was educated in the common and high schools, preparatory school and Muhlenberg College; John Wenner, a graduate of the Emaus high school, employed at Hess Bros., and Paul Harold, a student. Mr. Biery is a member of the Western Salisbury church, where he has been deacon, elder, trustee, and treasurer and superintendent of the Sunday school for ten years. He is a Democrat in politics and has served as judge of election in the township.

John Biery, son of Jonathan and Veronica (Roth) Biery, was married to Mary Geidner, a daughter of Timothy and Elizabeth (Kemmerer) Geidner. They had five children, viz: 1. Eliza, married to Levi Camp. 2. Emma, mar-

ried to William Mack. 3. Jacob G. 4. Hannah, married to Charles Esser. 5. Charles, married to Ida Myer, and had two children: Veronica and Mary.

Jacob G. Biery was born in Allentown in 1859. He obtained his educational foundation in the public schools, the Gregory Academy and the Allentown Business College. His father had been engaged in the lime and coal business and after Jacob G. Biery left school he entered his father's employ as a clerk and continued to serve him until twenty-three years of age, and was then admitted into partnership, a relationship which continued till 1903, when the father retired and Jacob G. Biery organized the Lehigh Lime & Coal Company, which he conducted until 1908, since then he is a salesman. Mr. Biery is a Republican in politics, and is affiliated with a number of lodges and clubs of Allentown.

He was married to Annie Esser, a daughter of William and Mary (Haines) Esser. They have four children, viz: Miriam, Roy J., Fred, and Kathleen.

ROY JACOB BIERY, a real estate dealer of Allentown, was born in that city, June 18, 1885. He was educated in the Second ward public schools and graduated from the Allentown Business College in 1901. He then became an assistant to his father in the lime and coal business until 1905, at which time he accepted a position with the New York Ship Building Co., at South Camden, N. J., and continued in their employ two and one-half years, when he resigned to enter the employ of Joseph F. Gorman, the large real estate dealer of Allentown. Mr. Biery continued in his employ eighteen months, and on his twenty-fourth birthday he entered the real estate business for himself, in which he has made a phenomenal success.

He and his wife are members of Zion's Reformed church, and Mr. Biery is a member of the F. O. E. On his twentieth birthday he married Lillian M. Kistler, a daughter of Joseph and Elemina (Neff) Kistler. No issue.

#### HENRY DIETRICH BIEVER.

Henry Dietrich Bieber was for many years a grocer, in Allentown, Pa. He was born near Harrisburg, Pa., in 1830, and attended the public schools and assisted his father in the conduct of a general store near Harrisburg.

He remained with his father until 1863 when he removed to Allentown, Pa., and engaged in the grocery business on Hamilton street. He continued this business for several years when he sold out. He formed a partnership with Mr. Erdman and they conducted a grocery business for two years, when he entered the employ of

Joseph Young, a hardware dealer, where he remained a trusted employer for twenty-eight years. In politics he was a Republican, and a member, elder, and trustee of St. Matthew's Lutheran church. He was devoted to his family.

He married, in 1852, Miss Rosa A. Cooper, daughter of Dr. Daniel L. and Mary Ann (Hoke) Cooper, of Lebanon, Pa. Their children were: Mary Ellen, born 1849; died in 1891; Daniel Henry, who married Louise Kern, who had two children, viz: Henry K., who died aged 22, and Claude Cooper Bieber, who married Flossie Moyer, daughter of Samuel Moyer. They have one child, Rosa A.

Henry Dietrich Bieber died July 30, 1900. Interment was in West End Cemetery, Allentown, Pa.

His father was Samuel Bieber, was a businessman at Annville, Pa., and later was engaged in the general store business, near Harrisburg, Pa.

He married a Forber and their children were: William; George; Henry, of whom above; John, of Dayton, O.; Samuel, of New Orleans, La.; Sarah (Hillman); and Lucinda (Graberd).

Dr. Daniel L. Cooper, father of Mrs. Rosa A. Bieber, was born at Philadelphia, where he studied medicine. He practiced successfully at Coopersburg, and in Hanover township, then settled at Jonestown, Pa., where he remained until his death, at the age of 76 years. Interment was in the Reformed church cemetery.

Mrs. Bieber, now at the age of 80 years, is still in possession of all her faculties, being able to read without the aid of glasses. She is a lady of culture and refinement, and a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and to which she is a generous contributor. She is the president of the Sewing Circle of that church.

#### BIGGE FAMILY.

Frederick Bigge, who was born in Stengart, Germany, died at Allegheny City, Pennsylvania. He emigrated to this country in his early youth, and became a contractor and builder of Allegheny City. He married Katherine Steitley, also born in Stengart, Germany, who is now living at No. 129 South Fourth street, Allentown. They had children: William Frederick, of further mention; Frederick, deceased; Mary, married Edward Thorner, in the employ of the American Steel & Wire Company; Herman, a draftsman, in Pittsburgh; Henry, is a carpenter at Reading; Katie and Catherine, died in infancy.

William Frederick, son of Frederick and Katherine (Steitley) Bigge, was born at Allegheny City, Jan. 10, 1878. He obtained an excellent public school education, after which he took a

course in civil engineering in a Scranton school. His first business position was with Bieber & Easton, as cash boy, and he then became a clerk in a dry goods store in Allegheny, having commenced his business career at an early age. He retained this position until 1898, when he became yard foreman in the lumber concern of Bigge & Thorner, remaining with them until 1900, when he became yard foreman for the Munn Lumber Company, in Pittsburgh, until 1902. From Sept. 1, 1902, until Sept. 30, 1903, he was construction engineer at the Schoenberger Works of the American Steel & Wire Company, at Pittsburgh. From January, 1904, to April, 1910, he had charge of the construction work at the Rankin Works of the American Steel & Wire Company, at Rankin. April 6, 1910, he was promoted to the position of assistant superintendent of the Allentown Works of the American Steel & Wire Works, where he has upward of twelve hundred hands under his supervision. In politics he is an independent voter; is a member of the Lutheran Church and of the Royal Arcanum. Mr. Bigge married Matilda, a daughter of Herman and Mary Koppman.

#### BILLIG FAMILY.

The Sixteenth Century is one of the most notable periods of all history, for then the great masses began to realize that their consciences were dominated by the priests, while their lords regarded them as vassals and mere chattels. John Calvin, born in 1509, in Picardy, France, became the great spiritual leader of the oppressed Huguenots. Between the Revocation of the Edict at Nantes in 1685 and the Edict of Toleration in 1787, the situation was terrible, and thousands of people fled in poverty to America. Among this number were the Adam, Brobst, Bailey, Billig, Frees and other families, who settled in Allemangel, in Berks and Lehigh counties, in Pennsylvania.

Johann Arnold Billig emigrated on the ship "Pink Mary," which landed at Philadelphia on Sept. 29, 1733. In the year 1752 he settled in Allemangel, and there seven years later he and his son Francis were taxable residents, the former then paying a tax of eight pounds and the latter of seven pounds. The Federal census of 1790 records "Widow" Billig as the head of a family of eight children, three being sons under sixteen years of age. She lived in Greenwich township, where members of the family still live. The Billigs are scattered over Berks, Schuylkill and Lehigh counties.

At the Grimville church, in Berks county, is buried Catharine Hoffman, who was married to



Heinrich Billig. She was born June 7, 1780, and died Feb. 17, 1826.

Johannes Billig, son of Michael and Magdalena, was born Nov. 29, 1806, and died Oct. 31, 1852. His wife, Hannah, *nee* Schlenker, was born in 1805, and died in 1882. Both are buried at Grinville church. They lived upon a large farm in Greenwich township. Their children were: William, John, Catharine (died single). Maria (married John Bleiler), Sarah (married Fred Snayberger), and Amelia (married David Hoch.)

William Billig, son of Johannes, was born May 18, 1833. He was a farmer in Greenwich township until in 1891, when he moved to Claussville, Lehigh county, and there he farmed until his death, April 16, 1893. His wife was Elizabeth Spohn, and their children were: Sarah (married Frank Kramer of Alburtis); Hettie (married S. J. Miller of Krumsville); Emma (married Geo. E. Rothermel of Guthsville); George (of Claussville), and Rosa (married James Lawrence.)

Heinrich Billig was a farmer on a tract of land upwards of 200 acres, situated in Lynn township, Lehigh county, one mile south-west of Lynnport, on the south side of the Ontelaunee creek, and this homestead is now the property of Benjamin Henry. He was a Lutheran member of the Jacksonville church. He was born March 1, 1777, and died October 3, 1859, aged over 82 years. His wife, Catharine Everett, was born September 12, 1784, and died January 4, 1842, aged over 57 years. Among their children were: a daughter (m. David Fetherolf), Polly (m. Thomas Hess), Ann (m. David Stein), David, Jonas (1805-1845, married Abigail Kistler in 1833, who died February 2, 1845).

David Billig, son of Henry, was born in Lynn township July 31, 1802. In the early part of his life he lived near Lynnvill church; but later he bought a 58-acre farm in a hilly section of the township, locally known as "Die Schweiz," and there he died December 28, 1866, in the 67th year of his age. This farm now belongs to David H. Fetherolf. He and his family were members of the Lutheran congregation at the New Jerusalem church.

His wife was Eva Catharine Rausch, born December 27, 1800, and died July 21, 1851, in the 51st year of her age. They had eight children: Henry (died at Tamaqua), John (died in Ohio), Polly (died unmarried), Catharine (m. Daniel Wessner), Mary (m. Jackson Haas), William (in Schuylkill county), Daniel, and Angelina (m. Samuel Becker.

Daniel Billig, youngest son of David, a farmer on the south side of the Schochary in Lynn township, was born October 11, 1840. In 1875 he purchased a farm of 106 acres, the homestead of Philip Roxtheimer (1792-1852), who had erected the dwelling-house on the place, but Mr. Billig put up the barn in 1880.

Mr. Billig and his family are members of the Lutheran congregation at the New Jerusalem church, which he served as deacon and trustee. In politics he is a Democrat. His wife was Luzetta, daughter of Daniel and Luzena (Greenawald) Myerly. She died December 11, 1899, aged 51 years. They had eight children: Alue S., Alice (m. Henry A. Kistler), Katie (m. Wellington Dietrich, who live in Weisenberg township), Annie (m. Robert Graver), Rosa (m. Solomon Bachman), Emma (m. Harvey Bachman), Jennie (m. Oscar Snyder), and Clara.

ALUE S. BILLIG, eldest son of Daniel, was born in Lynn township August 2, 1861. He learned the carpenter trade when nineteen years old and he has since carried it on as his regular employment. He was engaged for some years as a boss carpenter and often employed a considerable number of men in the erection of dwelling houses and barns in Lehigh, Berks and Schuylkill counties. In 1912 he built three dwellings for himself at Allentown. In 1890 he purchased a 30-acre tract in Lynn township and moved there in 1891, and there he lived until 1900, when he secured the Levi Reitz mill-property with 32 acres of land on the Ontelaunee creek. The original mill on this site was built in 1782 by Jacob Wannamacher, Sr. It stood a short distance from the present mill, the breast-work of the dam and the old race-bed being still visible. The second mill occupied the site of the present one, which was also erected by a Wannamacher, and it remained there until 1898, when it was destroyed by fire. Five years afterward, Mr. Billig erected the present mill on the same foundation. He operates a custom-mill, planing-mill and cider-press, and also carries on building and contracting, besides cultivating his farm. He is assisted by his five sons. The family are very industrious and energetic.

He and the family worship in the New Jerusalem church as members of the Lutheran congregation. In 1886 he was married to Mary, daughter of Joseph and Caroline (Heintzelman) Rauch of Lynn township, and they have eight children: George, Hattie (m. Charles Lenhart, proprietor of the Mosser grist and saw-mill, which is situated farther down the Kistler Valley), Howard D. (m. Stella Hamm, and they

have a son, Preston), Stanley W. J., Beulah (who died young), Granville, Maggie, and Gorman.

#### BINGAMAN FAMILY.

The Bingaman family originated in Germany. For generations the home of the family in the Pennsylvania has been in Berks county, Pa.

Peter Bingaman, the grandfather of our subject, was a weaver by trade, and followed that occupation throughout his life. He lived and died in Reading, Pa. His mother was a daughter of Col. Nicholas Lotz, of Reading, who was a foremost citizen of Reading and Berks county, and prominent during the Revolutionary period, rendering his country active service at the front. He married Mary Oswalt. They were the parents of nine children: Jacob, Peter, Charles, David, William, Catherine, Mary, Elizabeth and Margaret.

William Bingaman, the fifth son of Peter and Mary (Oswalt) Bingaman, was born in 1822 at the corner of Eight and Walnut streets, Reading. He received his education in the public schools of Reading and when quite young learned the barber trade, which occupation he followed all his life. In 1842 he first engaged in business on his own account, on Penn street, below Seventh, and later on the South side.

For a period of twenty years he conducted business at No. 718 Penn street, where he became well known.

Owing to continuous indoor confinement, his failing health caused him to make a change of occupation and location. He purchased a small tract of land in Exeter township, where he resided about two years and a half, when his health had so much improved that he returned to Reading and opened a shop at No. 122 South Eighth street, and later removed to 343 North Eighth street, where he continued until his retirement from business, in 1881. He died at his home on June 2, 1901, at the age of 79 years; was interred in the Charles Evans cemetery.

He was married May 27, 1845, to Rebecca Graul, born Dec. 7, 1823, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Egge) Graul. Mr. Graul was by trade a bricklayer, and assisted in building the old freight depot of the P. & R. Company.

Their children were: Emma (Mrs. Harry Morris), Charles C., of whom below; Mary A., deceased; Elizabeth, a graduate of the Reading High school, class of 1871, and became a teacher in the public schools; Thomas, engaged in the barber business on Court street, Reading, married Martha Scull; Annie A. (Mrs. Martin L. Stroh), and Katie, who died aged seventeen years.

CHARLES C. BINGAMAN, eldest son of William and Rebecca (Graul) Bingaman, was born at Reading, August 16, 1848. His boyhood days were passed in Reading, where he attended the public schools and at an early age learned the trade of barber, under the supervision of his father, and he continued in this business until he reached manhood.

In 1869 he removed to Allentown, Pa., and established himself in business on Hamilton street, where he successfully conducted a chair shop for a period of four years. In 1873 he entered the United States mail service as a railway postal clerk, which position of trust and responsibility he filled for a period of 14 years, running on various lines of roads throughout Pennsylvania.

In 1887 he resigned his position and established himself in the mercantile business in Allentown, opening a store at Fifth and Union streets. Here he conducted a grocery store for four years, at the end of this period he was appointed by Mayor Allison a sanitary inspector of the city of Allentown, Pa., he being the first appointee in this department. After a period of about one year, he was appointed superintendent of the city water works, and in 1897 he accepted the position of superintendent of the Allentown Steam Heat and Power Company, located at South Hall street. Since assuming this responsible position, the plant has been greatly improved and enlarged; at this date having twelve boilers and two and one-half miles of pipe line.

Mr. Bingaman is a person of much energy and force of character. In politics he is a staunch Republican; was chairman of the city and county committee during the McKinley campaign.

He is a member of the Knights of Malta, is liberal in his religious views, his motto being the "Golden Rule."

In 1868 he was united in marriage to Alice Wetherold, a native of Allentown, daughter of William H. Wetherold. Their children were: One who died in infancy; William, who died in young manhood; Mary (May) who married John F. Miller, an employee of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company, residing at Harrisburg, Pa.; and Maude, who died at the age of three years.

#### BITTNER FAMILY.

Andreas Bittner was born in Germany, Oct. 10, 1759, and when a mere child was accompanied by his widowed mother to America. She settled in Lowhill township, then Northampton county, Pa. There she married a second time and young Andreas Bittner was then reared in a family by the name of Holben. He learned the



weaving trade and became the owner of a large farm in Lowhill township which is still in the family name and at present occupied by William Bittner. This pioneer was a devoted member of the Lutheran faith and served as a member of the building committee that built the Weisenberg church and he had been always actively identified with the administrative affairs of the congregation. He was loyal to his adopted country; and during the Revolutionary War served as a private in Capt. Matthias Probst's Company, of the Sixth Battalion, commanded by Col. Henry Geiger, of Heidelberg township.

In due time he was married to Maria Schneider (Snyder) who was born in 1769, and died on Aug. 31, 1826. He died in his 72d year of age. They were first buried on the old graveyard at the Weisenberg church, but in 1911 their remains were removed to the new cemetery and buried on the family plot of their son, Jacob Bittner. It is said their union was blessed with ten children, but the names of only nine can be recorded, as follows: John, Jacob, Andreas, Henry, Peter, Benjamin, Daniel, Lydia, married to Sebastian Werley; and Maria, married to Dewald Werley.

John Bittner, the oldest son of Andreas, the pioneer, was a farmer in Weisenberg township and was known as a great horseman. He was married and had the following children: John, Andreas, and Mrs. Elias Snyder.

Jacob Bittner, son of Andreas and Maria (Snyder) Bittner, was born in Lowhill township, Dec. 17, 1791. He lived on a farm along the Jordan creek, situated about one and one-half miles south of Bittner's Corner until 1840. Afterwards B. Shoemaker purchased this farm and Jacob Bittner acquired what was then known as Becker's grist-mill, later the mill became known as "Bittner's Mill." It was located at the confluence of the Jordan and Sweitzer creeks in Lowhill. This property consisted of about 90 acres, and had as improvements a grist-mill, a saw-mill, a clover mill, and a wool-carding mill.

In 1867 he was succeeded by his son, Jacob, and moved to Pleasant Corner, where he lived with his son, Elias, until he died on Aug. 25, 1874, aged 82 years, 8 months, and 8 days. He was buried at the Weisenberg church, where he had been a member of the Lutheran congregation, and for many years held various offices. He was a Democrat, was overseer of the poor, school director, and frequently county delegate.

Jacob Bittner was married June 15, 1815, to Sarah Werley, a daughter of Andreas Werley. She was born May 16, 1797, and died on July 9, 1859. They had the following children:

Maria, born June 14, 1819, married Solomon

Zimmerman; Eliza, born Sept. 25, 1821, married Elias Schneider; Sallie, born March 11, 1824, married Owen Hunsicker; Jacob, born Oct. 30, 1826, married Louisa Seibert; Jonas, born Sept. 22, 1829, married Elemina Krum; Peter, married first to Lydia Long, second to Maria Werley, a twin to Jonas; Lydia, born April 6, 1832, married to Joseph Kressly; Elias.

Andreas Bittner, son of Andrew and Maria Bittner, was born shortly before 1800, and was a farmer near Weidasville. He was a member of the Weisenberg Lutheran church, and was buried in the old cemetery. He married Elizabeth Werley. Issue: Stephen, Lewis, Elias, Jonas, who settled at Akron, Ohio, after the Civil War; Sallie (Mrs. Nathan Wuchter), Mary (Mrs. Levi Shumaker), and Mrs. Charles Wieand.

Henry Bittner, son of Andreas and Maria Bittner, was born in Weisenberg township, Sept. 1, 1802. He was a farmer and owned the homestead which was located on the line of this and Lowhill township all his lifetime. He possessed 120 acres, now owned by his son, William. He never was involved in a single court proceeding, directly or indirectly. The family were members of the Lutheran Church of which he was for years a deacon and an elder. He died in his seventy-fourth year.

Mr. Bittner married Mary, daughter of Benjamin Baer, a descendant of Christopel; the latter was the ancestor of the late George F. Baer, for many years the very able and popular president of the P. and R. R. Co. Issue: Mary (Mrs. Jonas Snyder); Nathan, Amandes, William, Phaon, Anna (Mrs. Elias Hensinger), Henry, Sarah (Mrs. Willoughby Stein), and Lydia (Mrs. Harrison German).

Peter Bittner, son of Andreas and Maria Bittner, lived on a farm in the valley between Lowhill and Weisenberg churches in Lowhill township. His children were: Reuben, Frank, Jacob, Willoughby, Jonas, Edwin, and three daughters, one of whom was Julia.

Benjamin Bittner, son of Andreas and Maria Bittner, lived upon a farm in the valley above the Weisenberg church. He was married to a Miss Holben and had an only daughter.

Daniel Bittner, son of Andreas and Maria Bittner, was a miller and merchant until his removal to Allentown where he conducted the City Hotel, and afterward the Pennsylvania Hotel. He was very active in political affairs of the county, and was a county commissioner in 1861. His wife, Polly Zimmerman, bore him the following children: Amanda, married to Joseph Hartman; the wife of C. B. Maberry, who was

sheriff of Lehigh county in 1881; and Anna, who was married and removed to Ohio.

Stephen Bittner, son of Andreas, was born near Lyon Valley, Lehigh county, in 1819. He attended the common schools and for years was a teamster for Jacob Zimmerman, a merchant at Lyon Valley. Subsequently he conducted the grist- and saw-mill above Jordan Valley. He built the present mills and drew his water supply from the big sand spring. The grist-mill was often operated during the night. His sons had charge of the new mill. He carried on milling for thirty years, selling the property with sixteen acres of land in 1871. He then bought a sixty-seven acre farm between Germansville and New Tripoli, conducting it for some years, then sold it and purchased a house near New Tripoli where he lived in retirement until his decease in 1898. Interment was at the Heidelberg Lutheran church of which he was a member. He was married to Rebecca, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Peter) Wuchter. Issue: William F.; Anna M. (Mrs. Frank Hollenbach); Elmira (Mrs. David G. Williams); Edwin W.; Phaon; Masseta (Mrs. Frank P. Heil), who died shortly after her marriage); James L.; and Henry W.

EDWIN W. BITTNER, son of Stephen, was born in Heidelberg township, Dec. 15, 1854. He attended the public schools and at the age of twelve years began to work in his father's mills. During the '73 panic he labored upon the farm. From 1876-77 he was in the West doing farm work. In 1878 he lived in Philadelphia, and then farmed in Washington township for his father-in-law, eighteen years. In 1900 he began to operate the Saegersville Slate vein, known as the Bittner quarry, and has twenty-five employees. It produces only beg-vein slate. They are 260 feet deep. The output is roofing and black-board slate. In politics Mr. Bittner is a Republican, and was for six years an assessor. He is a member of the Knights of Malta and the state grange. He belongs to the Lutheran congregation at Slatedale, was on the building committee which erected the present Union church, served as a deacon and has been treasurer for many years. He also owns a sixty-eight acre farm in Washington township which is a part of the Rex homestead on which he erected all the present buildings. In 1908 he built the fine mansion in Slatedale where he resides. In 1878, Mr. Bittner was married to Leanna, daughter of Reuben and Lucy Ann (Peter) Rex. They were blessed with six children: Minnie S. (Mrs. Orville W. Bucks), Lovina (Mrs. George E. Kistler), Rosa L. A., Cora R., Sadie V., and Jane M., who departed this life at the age of four years.

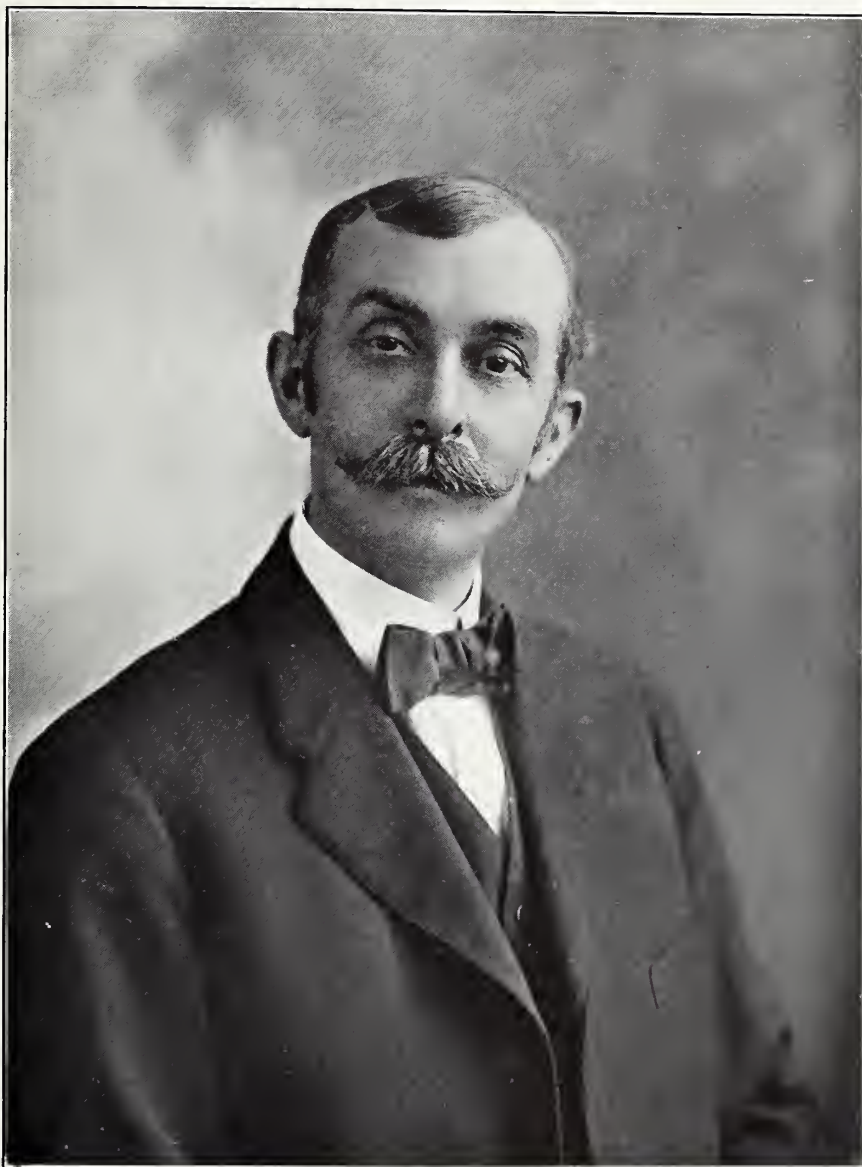
James L. Bittner was born in Heidelberg township Nov. 26, 1860. He attended the public schools and assisted his father on the farm for some time after he had attained his majority. He then worked in the Lehigh Valley car shops at Packerton. In 1899 he became the faithful sexton of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, and in 1908 put the neglected old cemetery into its present excellent condition at the cost of a tremendous amount of most arduous and self-sacrificing toil. He straightened up the leaning tombstones, supplanted the weeds, thorns and briars with green grass, using eighty loads of earth to fill up the sunken graves and level the grounds. From 1909-11 he was janitor of the church. He is a devoted church member.

Henry W. Bittner was born in Jordan Valley, Heidelberg township, Aug. 1, 1863. He attended the local schools until ten years of age, when he was hired out on farms till he was twenty years old, then he went to Philadelphia and learned telegraphy. After a year's service in the P. R. R. station at Witmers, near Lancaster, he found the work too confining, resigned, and engaged for four years in the manufacture of cigars at Philadelphia. He then embarked in the wholesale produce business on a commission basis, in which he has continued ever since. He married Jennie L., daughter of Morris Trexler, of Lehighton. They are the parents of these children: Raymond and Madaline.

Lewis Bittner, the second son of Andreas, was born in Lowhill township, July 5, 1833. He attended the common schools and remained at home until he married, when he removed to "Kline's mill," now a part of Col. Trexler's deer park. He then purchased the Lyon Valley mill, operated it for three years, then sold it, and located at Pleasant Corner, where he worked as a millwright and manufactured agricultural implements. He afterward purchased the Neffsville hotel and conducted it about five years. He died Jan. 2, 1888. He was a Republican, and a member and deacon of the Weisenberg church, where he was buried. He married (first), Amanda Bittner. Issue: Alice (Mrs. George Dressler), Adam E., and Wilson H. (deceased). He married, second, Kate Benninghoff, a daughter of Joel and Kate (Spohn) Benninghoff, of Grimmville, Pa. Issue: Harvey J., and Ellen (Mrs. Howard C. Benner).

ADAM E. BITTNER, citizen of Allentown, was born in Lowhill township, June 24, 1863. He attended the public schools and in early life worked in his father's machine shop. At the age of fifteen he began clerking in a general store at Lyon Valley for C. W. Haas and served three and a half years. In 1881 he came to Allentown and





*Adam E. Billster*





worked in Koch Brothers' shoe store. In his nineteenth year he and his brother-in-law, George Dressler, purchased the old Kramer grocery store, corner of Sixth and Hamilton streets. After five years the partnership was dissolved and he then continued in the same business at 214 North Fifth street for a period of almost twenty years. He was elected county commissioner in 1905 and re-elected in 1908. During his administration an addition to the county jail was built, the large concrete bridge at Bethlehem was constructed, the Slatington and Walnutport bridge over the Lehigh river was built, and at the almshouse an electric light system was installed, and a sewerage disposal plant was constructed; also all the turnpikes were all freed throughout the entire county. He is treasurer of the Bittner Slate Company since 1901. He was treasurer of the Retail Merchants' Association for twelve years and trustee of the Lehigh Saengerbund since 1896. He was also president of the Board of Prison Inspectors for two years, during which time many improvements were made. The addition to the Allentown jail was made in 1908. In 1911 he was appointed by the court as adjuster to close up the business of the Allentown Mercantile Company. He is at present serving his third year as city school-tax receiver. He is a Republican and has always taken an active interest in matters political. He was one of the charter members of Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., No. 406, and was its treasurer. He has been a member of the I. O. O. F. for many years as well as of the Royal Arcanum, in which he has filled every office. He is a member of St. Michael's Lutheran congregation, Allentown, and has served it as an elder.

On April 18, 1886, Mr. Bittner married Addie, daughter of Phaon and Lucy (Werley) Rabenold, which happy union was blessed with the following five children: Harry L.; Helen M., graduated from the Allentown high school; Fred P.; Adam A.; and Lucy E.

Elias Bittner was born about 1824. He was a farmer. He married Elizabeth German. Issue: Reuben, who married Drusilla Fritzinger; Louisa (Mrs. James Kerschner); Mary (Mrs. Owen Smith); Aaron, who married Louisa Friebolin; Nathan; Amanda (Mrs. Reuben Sensinger); Alvin, who settled in the West; Laura (Mrs. David Sittler); and Jane (Mrs. Andrew Snyder).

HARVEY J. BITTNER, painter and paper hanger, of Allentown, Pa., was born at Neffsville, June 24, 1884, son of Lewis and Kate (Bennighoff) Bittner, and a grandson of Andreas Bittner.

Harvey J. Bittner attended the public schools and at the age of twenty years learned the paint-

ing and paper hanging trade at Allentown, where he worked as journeyman until 1913, at which time he engaged in business for himself, employing now four skilled mechanics. Socially he has membership in these lodges: Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; Liberty Chapter, No. 245, K. of F. He is a Republican in politics and he and his family are active members of Grace United Evangelical Church and Sunday school. He was married, Dec. 21, 1907, to Ella J. Benfield, a daughter of John and Emma (Nuss) Benfield. They have a daughter, Olive Lillian Bittner.

Nathan Bittner was born in Heidelberg township. He attended the public schools and became a successful farmer. He married (first) Lucy Rauch, and (second) Emelina Hamm. He had two sons: Oliver and Henry A.

HENRY A. BITTNER was born in Heidelberg township, June 12, 1875. He attended the public schools and at an early age was for seven years hired out among the farmers of Heidelberg and Lowhill townships, after which he was employed two years in Saylor's Cement factory. He owns a farm of 54 acres on the line of the Saegersville R. F. D., which he has in a high state of cultivation. He is a most prosperous farmer and markets his produce and fruit at Mauch Chunk, making weekly trips. His entire family are members of the Heidelberg Lutheran church, which he served one term as a deacon. He is a member of Haak's Sunday school, which he served as superintendent. Mr. Bittner married, Feb. 29, 1896, Alice F. D., daughter of Cornelius Snyder. They are blessed with the following children: Ida L., Alverta M., Clarence H. (died aged eight years), and Lulu A.

Nathan Bittner, son of Henry, was born March 4, 1833. He attended the common schools and learned tanning at Saegersville. In 1861 he and his brother Phaon purchased the Benjamin Kocher farm of 185 acres, in Lowhill, from Benjamin Seibert, and conducted it until 1867, when he became the sole owner of it. He was a successful farmer, improved the house, and in 1874 erected a modern barn, which is said to be one of the finest in the county. He raised from 3,500 to 4,000 bushels of potatoes annually. His fine team of four heavy horses enroute to Allentown with big loads of potatoes, hay or grain, was very much admired. He was a handsome man, six feet tall, and weighed 200 pounds. He served six years as school director. He died March 22, 1897.

Mr. Bittner married Eliza, daughter of Nathan Bachman, born July 14, 1838, and died March 22, 1878. They had six children: Moses, mar-

ried Martha Dengler; Alice (Mrs. Henry Hausman); Amanda, and three died young.

In 1881, Mr. Bittner married his second wife, Hattie, daughter of Henry Schaadt, who died in 1871, aged 46 years. He was a descendant of Johannes Schaadt (emigrated from Hanau, Prussia, in 1751, and in 1754 took up 185 acres of land in North Whitehall township along the Coplay creek. By his second wife he had three children: Jacob W., a Lutheran clergyman at Lititz, Pa., Mabel (Mrs. Harry Spangler), and Howard.

Amandes Bittner was born Sept. 27, 1835. He was married to Miss Sallie Long, and died at Slatington.

Phaon Bittner was born in Lowhill township, Dec. 12, 1837. He attended the common schools and farmed until 1868, when he and Daniel Muse built the Pennsylvania Hotel at Walnutport, which they conducted until 1880. He then purchased Mr. Muse's interest and alone conducted the business until about 1894, his son Erwin succeeding him. He also for less than two years kept hotel in Providence, Scranton, Pa. He died at Walnutport, April 20, 1905, and was buried in the Union cemetery at Slatington, Pa. He was married to Lucy, daughter of Solomon Zimmerman. Issue: Erwin H. and Albert F.

Erwin H. Bittner, son of Phaon, was born in Providence, Scranton, Pa., Nov. 22, 1870. He attended the common schools and was his father's assistant until 1894, when he became his successor. He is a Democrat and a member of the borough council. He holds membership in the Masonic Fraternity; Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. and A. M.; Catasauqua Chapter; Bloomsburg Consistory 32° Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Pa., and Order of Red Men. He married Aug. 29, 1893, Cora M., daughter of Thomas and Hattie (Link) App. Mr. and Mrs. Bittner are the parents of an only son, Wilbur R., who was born Nov. 19, 1894, and died July 2, 1899.

Henry Bittner, the fifth son of Henry, was born in Lowhill township, Lehigh county, Dec. 2, 1844. He attended the public schools and assisted his father upon the farm until he became of age. He located at Slatington in 1868, and became proprietor of the Railroad House, conducting it until 1888, when he erected upon its site the Bittner House, the principal hostelry in the town, one of the most modern in the county, being five stories high and containing sixty-two rooms.

Henry Bittner is a Democrat. He has been a councilman, although the town is Republican four to one. He is a member of the Vigilant Fire

Company, and is treasurer since its organization. He is a member of the Knights of Malta; the P. O. S. of A.; and the Knights of the Golden Eagles. The family are members of St. John's Lutheran congregation. He was a member of the committee that rebuilt the church. He is one of the most liberal supporters of the congregation and has served it as deacon and elder. He also conducts the leading livery stable in Slatington and lives in his own fine and commodious home.

Mr. Bittner in 1867 married Ellen, daughter of Philip and Matilda (Krause) Benninger. Issue: Lillie M., born Sept. 17, 1871, and Annie, who died April 2, 1899. The latter was married to John M. Balliett and had two children: Henry and Irene, who died.

Jonas Bittner was lost. He was last seen on the Blue mountain on Aug. 20, 1878.

Peter Bittner was born Sept. 22, 1829, died in Allentown four weeks after having moved to the city on March 24, 1908, and is buried at the Weisenberg church, where he was a very active member, and served as deacon, elder and trustee. He was first a farmer but later was associated with his brother Elias for ten years in the mercantile business at Pleasant Corner. Afterwards John H. Hollenbach was his partner or ten years more in the store and hotel business. At the same time he carried on the lumber business. He was a Democrat. Mr. Bittner was married, first, to Lydia DeLong, with whom he had two sons, Cyprian, now living in Albuquerque, N. M., and David, who was for a number of years his father's successor in the mercantile business at Pleasant Corner, but later, owing to failing health, moved to Albuquerque, N. M. His second wife, Maria, was a daughter of Joseph and Catharine (Bittner) Werley. She now lives with her brother-in-law, Elias Bittner. Their children were: Oscar and Katie are deceased; and Ida, married to Benjamin Newhard.

Jacob Bittner, son of Jacob, was a miller by trade, succeeding his father in the business at Pleasant Corner in Heidelberg. He conducted "Bittner's Mill" for about twenty years and the hotel at the same place for a like period of time. He married Lucy Seibert and they had the following children: Messina, married Alfred Diefenderfer; Tilghman J.; Sallie, married John Semmel; Katie, married Francis Bittner; Wilson; Tevilla, married Frank Brobst; Silas; Calvin; Lizzie, married Victor Werley; Cora; Charles.

ELIAS BITTNER, youngest son of Jacob and Sarah Bittner, worked on the paternal farm until fifteen years of age, when his father hired him to a New Jersey farmer as a helper, but principally to learn the English language, which in his



own locality was not even spoken in schools. From the age of sixteen to twenty he clerked in the store of Owen Hunsicker to Newside. For the five years following he was associated as partner with Owen Hunsicker, at Pleasant Corner, in the hotel and general store business. After the death of Owen Hunsicker, the business was continued by Mr. Bittner and his brother, Peter Bittner, for ten more years, and at the expiration of this time Elias Bittner sold out his interest to John H. Hollenbach. He then engaged in the retail dry goods and grocery business with the sons of his former partner, Owen Hunsicker, at No. 813 Hamilton street, Allentown, under the firm name of Bittner & Hunsicker Bros. Later they removed to No. 805 Hamilton street, where they discontinued the grocery business; and in 1880 they removed to No. 729 Hamilton street, and in 1888 they began an exclusive wholesale dry goods business. Henry Hunsicker then retired, and Frank D. Bittner was admitted to the firm. From there they moved to Nos. 16 and 18 North Seventh street, and still later to Nos. 23 and 25 North Seventh street, where they are now located, having grown to be one of the largest wholesale dry goods concerns in the state outside of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

For three years Elias Bittner was a director of the Allentown National Bank; and from 1895 to 1902 he was Director of the Poor of Lehigh county, having been twice elected and once appointed by the court to fill an unexpired term. For the past eleven years he has been president of the Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He is not actively identified with business of late years but looks after his real estate exclusively. Through good and poor times his faith in Allentown real estate never wavered, as his constant building operations and purchasing of additional properties have proven. Among his many properties in Allentown are some very valuable properties.

Elias Bittner was married Sept. 11, 1857, to Mary Ann Miller, a daughter of George and Mary (Ettinger) Miller, who died on Jan. 18, 1904. Three sons blessed their union, as follows: Frank D., George E., and Dr. Albert J.

FRANK D. BITTNER, of the firm of Bittner, Hunsicker & Co., Allentown, was born in Lynn township. His boyhood days were spent at Pleasant Corner, and at the age of fifteen he came to Allentown. He attended the district school at Pleasant Corner; the Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Pennsylvania; the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown; Muhlenberg College, Allentown; and Eastman Business College, at Poughkeepsie, New York. He then returned to Allentown, and for ten years was em-

ployed as bookkeeper with the firm of Bittner & Hunsicker Bros. Subsequently he became a member of the firm, as stated above, taking charge of the finances and also purchasing the dry goods. He is an intelligent and very successful man of affairs and one of the conservative citizens of Allentown. He was one of the organizers of the Merchants National Bank, which he also serves as a director ever since. He has been actively identified with St. Michael's Lutheran church from its organization and represented it at their meetings at the synod many times, and served as superintendent of the Sunday school connected therewith for a number of years. But later he became one of the organizers of Christ's Evangelical Lutheran church at Thirteenth and Hamilton streets, Allentown, which he is serving in various capacities. He is a director of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mount Airy, Pennsylvania. Politically he is a Democrat.

Mr. Bittner married Emma R. Person, June 29, 1879, and their children are: M. Cena, born Nov. 12, 1881, now the wife of Louis R. Albright and mother of one child; Dorothy Louise, born March 7, 1904; Florence R., born June 30, 1882; Warren E., born January 26, 1885; Alma M., born May 21, 1893; and Paul F., born May 9, 1896.

George E. Bittner, the second son of Elias, was born Oct. 13, 1862. He is connected with the firm of Bittner, Hunsicker & Company; is married to Katie E. Croll and their children are: Mary, born in 1887, and died in 1903; Alfred, born in 1888, died in 1891; Edna, born in 1893, died in 1896; and Helen C., born in 1899.

Albert J. Bittner, M.D., was born June 14, 1869. He attended the public schools, was graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1890, and from the Boston University of Medicine in 1893. He then began the practice of medicine in Allentown, where he resides at No. 1029 Hamilton street. He was the physician at the county almshouse for seven years and has membership in a number of medical societies.

Dr. Bittner was married in 1898 to Martha M. Runyon, of Bloomsburg, Pa. They have three children, namely: Mark M.; Margaret E., and Robert E.

Tilghman J. Bittner, son of Jacob, was born in Lowhill township, Nov. 4, 1849. He attended the public schools and assisted his father, in whose grist mill he became master of the trade. He was a Democrat and a member of the Weisenberg Lutheran congregation. He died an accidental death in 1878, aged 29 years. He was married to Elmira, daughter of John and Catharine (DeLong) Croll. Their children were: Payson C., Elsie K., and Tilghman J.

Elsie K. Bittner was born at Bittner's Corner, Dec. 7, 1875. She attended the public schools of Schnecksville, the Keystone State Normal School, and the Schnecksville Summer Normal School. She began teaching in 1892, in North Whitehall township, and has been teaching at Schnecksville eleven years. She is a member of the Lutheran congregation at Schnecksville, and an active member of the Sunday school.

#### PHILIP BITZER.

Philip Bitzer, a native of Lauffen, near Heilbroun, in Wurtemberg, emigrated to the United States in 1853. He had first located in Trenton, New Jersey, but afterward went to Allentown, Pa., where he married Justina Sheiner. They had two children: Laura (wife of Robert F. Siegfried, a business man of Allentown), and Annie.

#### BLANK FAMILY.

The pioneer of this early settled Pennsylvania family was Adam Blank. He came to Salisbury township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, at an early period. There he owned a large farm and at his death left a large estate which was divided between his widow Margaret for whom he made ample provision in the will, and the following children: John George; George Adam; Christopher; John; Anna Margaret; Catharine; and Anna Elizabeth. The will was made Aug. 19, 1765, and was probated on Oct. 1, of the same year. It is of record at Easton, in *Will Book I, page 1*. He died between these two dates. The executors of the will were George Blank and Peter Boger.

John George Blank, apparently the oldest son of the pioneer, Adam, was born in 1729, and died in Upper Saucon township in 1799. He was married to Elizabeth, a daughter of Valentine Steimetz, and after the death of his father-in-law succeeded to and settled upon his estate. He died in April, 1799. The will refers to him as a yeoman considerably advanced in years. Items of the will follow: "My son George shall have my farm in Upper Saucon, containing 366 acres. My daughters Barbara, Magdalena and Elizabeth each shall have eight hundred pounds of lawful money. The sum of eight hundred pounds shall be equally divided between Elizabeth and Catharine Gerhardt, my granddaughters. The will was made Oct. 20, 1798, and was probated at Easton in *Will Book III, page 167*, on May 14, 1799.

The *Penna. Archives* record that Adam, John, John George, and Peter Blank served in the Revolutionary War from Northampton county;

also that Christopher Blank on June 8, 1758, owned a pack horse in Whitehall township, and that he paid a tax of sixteen pounds in 1762.

The following two items are taken from the Blue Church Marriage Records:

"Johann Blank on 4 May, 1758, and Eva Elisabeth Beil, Balthasar Beil's daughter, from Upper Saucon."

"Widower Adam Blank and Anna Margretha Weiland, Adam Schäfer's widow, were married Nov. 30, 1758."

John George Blank, Jr., lived and died in Saucon township. He reared a family of nine children, viz: George, John, Jacob, Abraham, Charles, David, Mary, Lydia and Sarah. Of these, George and David died unmarried; John's history follows. Jacob's history follows: Abraham married Mary Bahl and they had Jacob, John G., and Abraham Blank who lived in Upper Saucon; Mrs. John Laubach, of Saucon; and Mrs. John Metzger, of Allentown. Charles married Priscilla Fry and died at Bethlehem; Lydia married Nathan Eberhart, and died without issue; and Sarah married David Schneider, and resided at Emaus. John Blank, the second son of John George, Jr., married Esther Clemmer and had six children, viz: Edwin H., Charles H., George, Benjamin F., Eliza, and Elemina.

Edwin H. Blank taught school, was engaged in buying and selling carriages and wagons, conducted a stationery store, was a Lutheran, an Odd Fellow and a Democrat. He died at Allentown, where he had lived for many years, on June 20, 1902. He was married to Eliza George who died July 4, 1892. They had two children, Dr. Gilmore G., a prominent citizen and veterinarian of Allentown, and Jennie E., wife of Harry B. Schall, of Allentown.

Charles H. Blank was married to Sarah Egner and lived at Coopersburg. They had two children, viz: Eliza, and Franklin.

George Blank, the third son of John, was married to Martha Stahr, and they had nine children: William, Preston, James, Cyrus, John, George, Sylvia, Jane, and Lillie.

Benjamin F. Blank married Emma R. Stahr, and they had five children: Oscar, Eugene, Raymond, Annie, who became the wife of F. T. L. Keiter, Esq., and they have one daughter Magdeline, and Emma, wife of Dr. E. H. Heimbach.

Eliza Blank married W. P. Weidner, and has one son, the Rev. Revere Weidner, a minister of the Lutheran church in Chicago, president of a Lutheran seminary in that city, and an author.

Elemina married Simon Troxell.

Jacob Blank, the third son of John George, Jr.,



had a 240 acre farm in Saucon township and owned and operated a grist-mill. He was a Lutheran member of the Blue Church of which he and family were members of the Lutheran congregation. He married a Miss Hilderbevel, who died aged 85 years. Both she and her husband are buried at the Blue Church. Their children were: David, who died at Hazleton, Pa., in 1910; Solomon, and Jacob.

Solomon Blank, son of Jacob, was born in 1838 in Saucon township. He died during the Civil War on St. Helena Island, N. C., after he had served in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment for eighteen months. Before the war he was a cabinet-maker at Allentown, where he had owned the property on the south side of Hamilton street from Eighth to Helfrich and Bohners furniture store. He was a Lutheran and is buried in Allentown. His wife Susanna Stein died Oct. 19, 1898, aged 76 years. They had eight children as follows: 1. William, died at Sunbury, Pa., about 1902. He was a corporal during the Civil War and was confined in Andersonville Prison for six months. 2. Allen T. was wounded in the Battle of Antietam and is married to Ellen McHose. 3. Mary C. married A. P. Zellner. 4. George J. 5. Daniel N. 6. Harry A. 7. John S., merchant at 159 Hamilton street. 8. Ellen O., married to Williams A. Lee. All these children except David, who is deceased, reside at Allentown.

Jacob Blank, son of ——— and the father of Charles F., of Sunbury, Pa., was born in Saucon township; died at Emaus in 1864, in which borough he had been a wheelwright from his early life; and is buried in the Reformed church graveyard, at Zionsville, where he was a member. He was married to Sarah Groman from Salisburg township. She was born Sept. 22, 1826, died at an advanced age, died and was buried at Emaus. They had the following children:

Wilson died aged six years.  
John lives at Emaus.  
Charles F. lives at Sunbury.  
James was drowned, aged about seven years.  
George died in 1902, at Bethlehem.  
Mary A. married to James Cambourn.  
Sarah married to John Reinbaugh.  
Anna married to Paul Eisenhart.

Mrs. Combourn died in 1909, at Philadelphia, where they resided; and Mrs. Reinbaugh died in 1910, in Lehigh county.

Charles F. Blank, of Sunbury, Pa., is the senior member of the extensive milling concern trading under the firm name of Blank & Gottshall, Sunbury, Pa.

Mr. Blank was born Oct. 31, 1851, in Upper

Saucon township, this county; attended the public schools at Emaus and Allentown; worked at various avocations until the age of eighteen years, when he learned the carpenter trade at Cetronia, and followed the same as a journeyman, as well as the millwright trade which he commenced in 1875 until in 1888. He then formed a partnership with William B. Gottshall who was formerly with the Wolf & Hamaker Company, at Allentown, and like himself a miller by experience. Messrs Blank & Gottshall came to Sunbury in the employ of a Chambersburg firm to remodel the historic old "Haas Mill." They soon leased this property and successfully operated it until 1895, by which time they had completed the large mill they since occupy. Their main building is 40 by 230 feet, with a two story addition 50 by 115 feet, with other large buildings, including the engine house. The business interests of Blank & Gottshall are very large. Besides trading very extensively in all kinds of flour and feed, they are extensive dealers in cement, plaster, and similar commodities. Their principal brands of flour are the celebrated "B & G's Best," "Flaky Loaf," and "White Cloud." They are also the manufacturers of widely used buckwheat and pan-cake flour. The daily capacity of the flour-milling equipment is as follows: Two hundred barrels of wheat, seventy-five barrels of rye; 100 barrels of buckwheat and cornmeal. Besides, they manufacture about forty tons of chop daily, the B. & G. cattle and poultry food, also the B. & G. Chick and Hen Food which has an extensive sale in Pennsylvania and throughout the middle states. Their hay shed is forty by sixty feet and the grain elevator has a capacity of 40,000 bushels. The firm has shown their enterprise in the completeness of their plant which faces the Susquehanna river and it runs parallel with the P. & R. railroad tracks. The firm also has siding connection with the Pennsylvania railroad lines. An engine with a 150 horse power supplies the motive power of this great enterprise. This industry is one substantial factor in the prosperity of Sunbury, where Mr. Blank is one of the valuable, substantial, intelligent, public-spirited and respected citizens. Not only is he prominent in the business life of Sunbury and of Central Pennsylvania, but in church and the social life he occupies an important place. Both Mr. and Mrs. Blank are active members of the First Reformed Church, of Sunbury, and he is a member of Maclay Lodge No. 632, F. & A. M.

Daniel (?) Blank a descendant of Christopher (probably a grandson), owned two farms at Levans in North Whitehall township. He

built the barn upon the farm now owned by Elias Henninger. He was a member of the Jordan Reformed Church and there upon the graveyard adjoining the church he is buried. His children were: John, Peter, Jonas, Mrs. Williams Schantz and Mrs. Kemmerer.

Peter Blank, above named, lived upon a 66 acre farm, in South Whitehall township, near Myersville. He built the house in 1847 and the barn in 1859 on this farm. He served various offices in the Jordan Reformed congregation. He married Hettie, a daughter of Henry Guth. Their children were:

Flora, married John Kuhns.  
 Sophia, married Edwin Reed.  
 Rebecca, married John Snyder.  
 Richard, married Louisa Steckel.  
 Lucetta, married Joseph Hoffman.  
 Elizabeth, married Elias Kuhn.  
 Catharine, married Dr. Schiff, of Philadelphia.

Lucetta and Catharine are now deceased.

Richard Blank, son of Peter, occupies his father's homestead in South Whitehall. He was born in 1843, and at a suitable age commenced farming on the farm he has since occupied. He is a member of the Jordan Reformed Church. He married, in 1867, Louisa, a daughter of Solomon Steckel, and they have the following children: Margaret, Hattie, Annie, Flora, Edwin, John, and Peter.

Abraham Blank, son of George and Maria (Mohr) Blank, married Mary Ann Bahl. He was born in Saucon township, where he died, and was a farmer and sawyer. Their children were: Matilda, m. Mr. Hunsicker, John Metzger, and Samuel Diehl; Jacob, who died in Upper Saucon; Sarah Ann, deceased, m. John H. Laubach; John; George; and Abraham, of Allentown.

JOHN GEORGE BLANK was born May 28, 1840, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, and died at Mountainville, August, 1907. He was reared on the farm and worked in his father's saw-mill; was educated in the public school and in the Allentown Seminary. On Sept. 5, 1840, he was married to Emma Louisa Maria Kemmerer, daughter of John and Elouisa (Harlach-er) Kemmerer. He then moved to Warren county, Ohio, and later returned to the old homestead, where he had a farm and saw-mill, including large tracts of wood land. He remained till 1900, then moved to Mountainville. He was a member of Friedensville Lutheran church, which he served as treasurer, elder and deacon. In politics he was a Republican. They had three children: Mary, m. Calvin E. Davidson, a public school teacher, who has one child, John George; Amnel George; and John Ephraim.

John Kemmerer, father of Mrs. Blank, was born in Salisbury township, Jan. 30, 1800, and died Feb. 10, 1871. He married Elouisa Horlacher, born March 15, 1803, died April 6, 1891, daughter of John Horlacher and Lizzie Schaeffer. He was a farmer in Salisbury township all his life. They had the following children: Amundus, died aged 6; Reuben, died aged 70, in Salisbury; Ephraim; Francis, Theophilus; Daniel; and Emma Louisa Maria.

#### BLEILER FAMILY.

The Bleiler family had settled in Milford township as early as 1732, where in that year a child of John Bleiler was baptized. John Bleiler died in February, 1759, and his will was proven March 6, 1759. He was buried at Great Swamp Reformed church, of which he was a member. His wife, Anna Maria, is also buried there, and has a tombstone upon which only her name is inscribed. They had five children: Henry, Peter, Michael, Catharine, and Elizabeth. Henry Bleiler lived in Milford township, where he owned 194 acres of land, and had a son, Henry. Catharine Bleiler married Michael Eberhard. Elizabeth Bleiler married Philip Fackenthal. B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., of Riegelsville, is a descendant.

John Bleiler, of this family, was born June 4, 1775, and died May 8, 1823. He married Gertrude, daughter of Gottfried Diefenderfer, born 1757, died 1831. They had no children. John Bleiler mentions in his will a brother Michael, and a sister, Magdalena, as well as a deceased brother, Henry, and a nephew, Peter. Henry Bleiler was born May 8, 1753, and died June 10, 1807.

Jacob Bleiler lived on a 100-acre farm in Milford township in 1779. He was a native of Switzerland, and married Elizabeth Enghauser. Their son, Michael Bleiler, was born April 29, 1755. He served in the Revolution and after the war settled in Weisenberg township, where he owned 150 acres. He died March 29, 1818, aged 62 years, 11 months, and is buried at Ziegel church.

Michael Bleiler married three times: first, Feb. 22, 1780, Elizabeth Neidig, who died April 28, 1790, leaving five sons and one daughter; second, Nov. 2, 1790, Anna Maria Lauri, who died Sept. 2, 1806, leaving one son and three daughters; third, Elizabeth, widow of Lorentz Schollenberger. She was born Feb. 25, 1761, and died Oct. 4, 1848.

John Bleiler, son of Michael, was born March 30, 1781, and died May 20, 1839. His wife, Maria Elizabeth, was born Feb. 28, 1787, and died May 11, 1866.



David Bleiler, son of John, was born Nov. 17, 1808. He lived at Lynnville, where he was a harness-maker and also kept the Lynnville Hotel several years, but on account of ill health retired from business. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Reformed Church. He died June 21, 1877, and was buried at Lynnville. He married Sarah, daughter of John Seiberling. John Seiberling, born 1783, died 1875, was long postmaster at Lynnville. They had eight children: John and Elizabeth, died in childhood; Thomas, of Lynnville; Peter O.; Amanda; Dr. Charles A., who died June 23, 1911, aged 51 years, at Frackville, Schuylkill county; William, of Lynn township; and Jonas, died young.

DR. PETER O. BLEILER was born in North Whitehall, Aug. 1, 1852. He was educated in the public schools and Palatinate College at Myers-town, where he graduated in 1872. He taught school four years and read medicine with Dr. F. C. Seiberling, after which he entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, where he graduated in 1876. He located first at Denver, Lancaster county, where he remained twelve years. He then began to practice at Girardville, Schuylkill county, and remained there until 1900, when he located at 38 North Twelfth street, Allentown, where he died Dec. 10, 1912. Dr. Bleiler was a member of the American Medical Association and of the State Medical and Lehigh County Medical Societies. He was deputy coroner of Schuylkill county under his brother for five years and also for the same period under Dr. D. S. Marshall. He was a member of the M. E. Church and superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a member of the P. O. S. of A., and a Democrat in politics. He married, in 1871, Emma Louisa Kistler, of Lynn township, daughter of Daniel B. and Maria M. (Ebert) Kistler, granddaughter of John Kistler, and Henry and Mary (Fetherolf) Ebert, and great-granddaughter of Samuel Kistler. They had four children, three of whom, Milton Oliver, Oliver Peter, and Ray Norman, died young. Ira James Bleiler, who resides with his mother, was born May 6, 1891. He was educated in the public schools of Girardville and Allentown, the Allentown high school, and the Bethlehem Preparatory School, where he graduated in 1909. He is now a student of mechanical engineering at Lehigh University.

Paul Bleiler, son of Michael, was a farmer in Weisenberg township and had five children: Paul and Elizabeth, died at the ages of 21 and 20; Annie, married Albert Dankey; Judith, married Rev. Greenawalt, of Kansas; and Michael.

Michael Bleiler was born in Weisenberg township in 1844. He attended the local schools and Allentown Seminary, after which he farmed the

land of the homestead. He was a member of the Ziegel Reformed church and a Republican in politics. He died July 28, 1912, and was buried at Ziegel church. He married, in 1875, Mary E., daughter of Joseph Stine and his wife Abigail Weida, a daughter of Benjamin Weida. Mrs. Bleiler was born May 22, 1856, and died April 9, 1913. They had 14 children: Paul J., of Allentown, who married Mary Savage; Dr. George B.; Abby B. J., m. Solon Kutz, of Kutztown; William M., of Allentown, m. Alma Werley; Margaret; Austin G., of Wescoesville, m. Mabel Horlacher; Harvey H., of Hazleton; Calvin E., of Allentown; Thomas B.; Charles H., of Hazleton, m. Beulah Waidelich; Eva K.; Adam B.; Katie; Arthur.

Dr. George B. Bleiler was born at Seiberlingsville, Weisenberg township, July 5, 1877. He was educated in the schools of the township and of Grim's independent district, and for two years attended Morris Schmale's select school at Hyemansville. He then entered the American Business College, where he completed the commercial course on June 13, 1899, after which he was bookkeeper for the Allentown Foundry and Machine Company for one year. In 1900, he entered the Philadelphia Dental College, where he graduated in 1903 with the degree of D. D. S. He began dental practice at Allentown, where he is located in the Penn Counties Trust Company building at Eighth and Hamilton streets, where he enjoys a large and lucrative practice. Dr. Bleiler is a member of Trexlertown Lodge, No. 326, F. & A. M.; Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F.; Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. Elks; Gamma Chapter, Xi Psi Phi Fraternity; the State and Lehigh Valley Dental Societies; and of St. John's Reformed church. He married, April 14, 1906, Rose D. Schaeffer, of Reading, and has one son, Russell S. Bleiler, born July 28, 1907.

Elias Bleiler, born in 1828, was a school teacher in Lehigh county for almost a quarter of a century. He taught school in Weisenberg and Upper Milford townships until his death in a railroad accident, in 1865, at Alburts, Pa.

He was married to Mary Kepler, a daughter of John and Eliza Kepler, of Vera Cruz. Their children were: James; Elizabeth; Mrs. W. H. Faust; Oscar; Harvey, married to Viola Handwerk; Elias F.; and Lillie, married to Harry Sell.

Elias F. Bleiler, son of Elias, after his education in the public schools, learned the carpenter trade. He followed the trade and the contracting business from 1886 until 1906 in the

states of Kansas and Nebraska. In 1911 he became associated with ——— Ritter, of Lehigh county, under the firm name of Bleiler and Ritter, who are engaged in the building and contracting business.

#### REV. CALVIN AUGUST BLIEM.

Calvin A. Bliem was born April 9, 1833, in Northampton county, Pa., died in Allentown, May 14, 1911, aged 78 years 1 month and 5 days. He was the son of David and Susanna (Boyer) Bliem farmers of Northampton county, Pa. He received a good education in the public schools and also attended a college. In early boyhood he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for some years, after which he operated his father's homestead farm of 140 acres. He remained here for some years, when in the early seventies he sold his farm and removed to Allentown, locating at first on North Eighth street, where he built a home and occupied it until 1902, when he built the fine residence, No. 829 Linden Street, where he resided until his death. He built and owned several other houses.

In politics he was a Republican. He filled the office of school director in Allentown, was a public spirited citizen, possessed quiet and unassuming manners and was devoted to his church, his home and to his faithful wife.

His religion was one of admiration and worthy of emulation. It is best told in the words written at the time of his death, by the Rev. F. S. Borkey, and published in *The Evangelical*, as follows:

Rev. Calvin A. Bliem was born in Northampton county, Pa.; was united in wedlock to Matilda Sanders, in 1855, and the Lord permitted them to enjoy 56 years of happy wedded life together. He was converted when 22 years of age and soon after felt the call of God to the active ministry. In 1872 he was licensed by the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical Church as a preacher on trial and appointed Junior preacher with F. Seachrist on Lehigh circuit. He served one year, then located and gave his life to the church as a devoted layman. For many years he was a teacher in the Sunday school and served the church as a class leader. At the time of his death he was teacher of the German Bible class in the Sunday school and the leader of the Tuesday evening German prayer meeting class. He was a constant student of the Bible and a faithful leader of his prayer meeting. His members speak appreciatingly of his spiritual exhortations and earnestness in

prayer. He never missed his class on account of rain, but was always at his post. He was a faithful member of old Trinity United Evangelical Church, a great friend of his pastors, and his home was always open with a cordial welcome to all the visiting preachers of the church. Our brother enjoyed good health up to within two weeks of his death. On May 1st he suffered a stroke of paralysis, which only partially disabled him, but a second stroke followed on Thursday of the same week, which left him practically helpless in body, though his mind was remarkably clear to the end. He frequently expressed his consciousness of the nearness of his Saviour to him in his sickness and of the joyous hope of everlasting life. He quietly fell asleep May 14, 1911. The funeral services were in charge of the pastor, assisted by Bishop W. F. Heil and "Uncle" Butz. Our brother is survived by his widow and two sisters —Mrs. Amanda Laubach and Miss Mary Bliem.

Rev. Calvin A. Bliem, on Jan. 2, 1855, married Matilda Ann Sanders, born at Cedarville, Pa. May 23, 1837, daughter of George and Rebecca (Brobst) Sanders and grand daughter of John Sanders and Daniel Brobst. Of this union there was no issue. This couple lived together in happy wedlock for upwards of 56 years. Since the death of Mr. Bliem, Mrs. Bliem has been tenderly cared for by her niece, Mrs. W. L. Guth, who together with her mother make their home with Mrs. Bleim. Mrs. Bleim is a true Christian woman, a member of the United Evangelical church and an active worker in the various societies of the church. She is noted for her many acts of charity, her devotion to her late husband and to her home.

George Sanders, father of Mrs. Bliem, was a farmer. He married Rebecca Brobst and they were the parents of the following named children: Rebecca, widow of Levi Eberhart, residing in Chicago, Ill.; Amanda, who died in young womanhood; Matilda Ann, now the widow of Rev. Calvin A. Bliem; Hannah, who married Lewis Rhinehart and resides in South Allentown, Pa.; Francis, who died from shot wounds received in the war of '61; Uriah, who was also a soldier in the Civil War, who died in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Emma, widow of Harris Bortz, who makes her home with her sister, Mrs. Bliem, as elsewhere noted. George Sanders died in Cedarville, Pa., and his widow died in Allentown; both are buried in Cedarville cemetery. They were both members of the Evangelical church and pious people.



BLOSS FAMILY.

*Compiled by Clinton J. Bloss.*

The Bloss family whose descendants are especially numerous in Lehigh and in Carbon counties, trace their ancestry to the progenitor, Conrad Bloss, who emigrated from southern Germany. He sailed from Rotterdam on the ship Francis and Elizabeth, commanded by Capt. Geo. Worth, and landed at Philadelphia Sept. 21, 1742. Besides Conrad Bloss, we have record of the following coming to America and landing at Philadelphia.

Geo. Conrad Bloss, ship Lydia, John Randolph Capt. from Rotterdam, qualified Oct. 13, 1749.

Jacob Bloss, ship Two Brothers, Thomas Arnt Capt., from Rotterdam, qualified Aug. 28, 1750.

Michael Blaass, ship Neptune, Geo. Smith, Capt., from Rotterdam, last from Gosport, qualified Oct. 7 1755.

Peter Blaass, ship Chance, Charles Smith, Capt., from Rotterdam, last from Cowes, qualified Sept. 23, 1766.

It is not known what relationship existed, if any, between Conrad Bloss and each of the four persons just mentioned; doubtless some kinship did exist. Nor do we know up to the present time of living descendants from any one of them except from Conrad Bloss. Conrad Bloss, a weaver by trade, settled in Washington township, this county, then Heidelberg township, Northampton county. The exact time is not known, but as early as Oct. 4, 1749, he took out a warrant for twenty-five acres of land in Bucks county, which then embraced all of what is now Lehigh county. On May 30, 1750, he took out a warrant for a tract of fifty-six acres and thirteen perches called "Issenberg"; on May 9, 1765, he purchased from John Engel Thomas a tract called "Manheim," which was taken out by a warrant dated Oct. 19, 1757, for 139 acres; on April 9, 1767, he purchased from the heirs of Jacob Shellhammer a tract called "Berlin" of fifty-eight acres. The last three tracts are embraced in a patent that was granted April 10, 1767, to Conrad Bloss, by Thomas Penn and Richard Penn. On Aug. 25, 1765, he made application for twenty-five acres and in pursuance of warrant No. 623 dated Aug. 14, 1766, there was granted to him Aug. 25, 1766, a tract of twenty-five acres and fifty perches called "Schwabstadt."

Another warrant was taken out for twenty-eight acres and thirty-two perches on Aug. 14, 1766. The total land he owned amounted to 331 acres and ninety-five perches. In the Pro-

prietary Tax list of 1772, Conrad Bloss, farmer, is assessed one pound and four shillings. The first official act in recognition of Heidelberg as a township was made at the October term of court 1752, when Conrad Bloss was appointed constable for it. On Aug. 6, 1776, Conrad Bloss was a member of Capt. Nicholas Kern's company, in camp at Perth Amboy, N. J., which composed part of the Flying Camp of Ten Thousand men commanded by Col. Hart in the Battle of Long Island. This was the Third company in the First Battalion of the Northampton county Associators. It is history that most of the men of the First Battalion were either killed or wounded in the engagement with the British on Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776. Doubtless Conrad Bloss lost his life in this battle as we find no trace of him after this date.

The Heidelberg Reformed Church records in 1781 record his wife Anna Magdalena, as a widow, who acted sponsor for her granddaughter, of the same name, a child of her son John George Bloss. The Federal Census of 1790 record "Lanah Plose" as a widow in Heidelberg township. In the history of the Heidelberg Church by Rev. William Helfrich, he mentions Conrad Bloss and George Bloss as heads of families who helped to build the second church. Magdalena Bloss lived with her son-in-law Peter Seidel, five years prior to her death, which occurred in 1803, having attained the age of about 77 years. Doubtless she is buried on the old cemetery adjoining Heidelberg church, although no trace is found of her. Peter Seidel was appointed administrator of her estate, Aug. 8, 1803. Conrad and Magdalena Bloss had at least eight children, viz: John George, Susanna, Eva Elizabeth, Daniel, Peter, Henry, Sonia (?) and Conrad.

Concerning the other four persons who came to America; namely, George Conrad, Jacob, Michael, and Peter Bloss, no more is known at the present time than what is noted in the following: According to the Lutheran Church records of New Hanover (Falckner Swamp) Church in Montgomery county, George Conrad Bloss was married to Mary Catherine ——. On Oct. 7, 1750, their daughter Eva Elizabeth, born Sept. 7, 1750, was baptized; Frederick Bassler and wife were the sponsors. The records of St. Michael's German Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Philadelphia, state that on Feb. 24, 1754, Jacob Bender and wife Christina Sautere (Vulgo Langin) Jacob Bloss, acted as sponsors for Heinrich Jacob Moll, a son of Michael and Magdalena Moll; also, on May 15, 1758, Jacob Bloss married Rosina Sauerbreyin. The witnesses were Carl Ewald and Adam Fuchs. On

Nov. 18, 1788, a Peter Bloss was united in marriage to Ann Richardson, as is recorded in the records of the First Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia. It is doubtful whether this is the Peter Blaass who came to Philadelphia in 1766.

John George Bloss, eldest son of Conrad, was born Oct. 15, 1744. He was a farmer, miller, and distiller. On June 29, 1767, he purchased his father's farm, consisting of 278 acres and sixty-three perches, for which he paid 250 pounds. On May 20, 1800, he was granted four acres and 137 perches—this tract was called "Mayfield"—in pursuance of a warrant dated Dec. 9, 1781. By a patent dated May 20, 1800, he was granted another tract of 215 acres and 130 perches, bordering on Mahoning Creek, in Penn township, Carbon county. On Dec. 9, 1784, he took out a warrant for ten acres. George Bloss and David Wyant took out a warrant bearing date Dec. 9, 1784, for 220 acres. In 1772, he paid Proprietary tax amounting to three pounds and eight shillings. In 1785 he paid Federal tax on 283 acres of land, three horses, and five head of cattle, amounting to two pounds, five shillings and five pence. On March 7, 1806, John George Bloss sold all the land he then owned; but he continued to reside on the homestead with his son Henry until his death. His farm in Washington township, Lehigh county, he sold to two of his sons, John George, Jr., bought 137 acres, fifty perches, paid 850 pounds; Henry bought 141 acres, fifteen perches, paid 850 pounds; John Lentz, his son-in-law bought the tract of 215 acres and 130 perches in Penn township, Carbon county, for which he paid 250 pounds. During the Revolutionary War, John George Bloss served in the Northampton county militia. In 1778 he was Second Lieutenant of the Fifth Company in the Third Battalion.

In 1780 he served as a private eight days on the frontier against the Indians in the Sixth Battalion as is shown in the pay roll of Capt. Conrad Reder's company. In 1781 he served as private in the Sixth Battalion, seventh class, as substitute for John Reedy, from May 16 to July 16. Again, in 1782, he was a private in the Sixth Battalion. John George Bloss was married two times. His first wife's name is Anna Barbara ————. The following are their children:

Christian, born July 27, 1768, died Feb. 2, 1836.  
 Anna Maria Barbara, born Oct. 6, 1769.  
 Elizabeth, born May 12, 1772, died Oct. 16, 1839.  
 Maria Susanna, born Oct. 12, 1773.  
 Anna Margaret, born May 14, 1777.  
 Julianna, born Oct. 3, 1775, died Oct. 28, 1829.  
 Anna Maria, born April 17, 1779, died Jan. 3, 1836.  
 Anna Magdalena, born May 23, 1781.  
 John George, Jr., born March 20, 1783, died Oct. 4, 1862.  
 Henry, born March 9, 1789, died March 13, 1850.

John George Bloss' second wife was Elizabeth ————, who survived him at his death, which occurred April 19, 1815, after an illness of about four days. In his will which was made April 15, and probated in Allentown, May 16, 1815, his sons Christian and John George, Jr., were appointed executors.

In the old cemetery adjoining the Heidelberg church a tombstone still marks conspicuously the resting place of the last remains of John George Bloss:

Hier  
 Ruhen die  
 Gebeine der verstorbenen  
 Johan Georg Bloss ist  
 geböhren den 15ten October  
 Jur jahr 1744 ist gestorben  
 en den 19ten Aprill in johr  
 1815 ist alt worden 71 johr  
 7 monat und 4 tag.

Daniel Bloss, son of Conrad, was born in Washington township, this county. The Tax list of 1781 shows him to be a property holder. Again in the Federal Tax list of 1785, he was assessed one pound and four shillings on fifty acres of land, one horse, and one cow. On April 21, 1795, David Bloss bought from John Longstreth, Joseph Longstreth, and Abraham Duffield two tracts of land consisting of 421 acres, together with a grist-mill and a saw-mill located on Mahoning Creek, Penn township, Carbon county. After residing here six years he sold this property Jan. 1, 1802, to Joseph Mathews and Benjamin Mathews.

On June 20, 1809, there was surveyed unto Daniel Bloss 176.166 acres of land, located in Westmoreland county. Daniel Bloss took an active part in the military affairs of Northampton county during the Revolutionary War. In the years 1780 and 1782 he served as a private in the Third class of the Sixth Battalion of the Northampton county militia. Daniel Bloss was married to Elizabeth ————. The records of the Heidelberg Church record the birth of the following children:

Anna Maria, born May 26, 1775.  
 Michael, born June 9, 1781.  
 Anna Magdalena, born May 6, 1783.  
 Daniel, born Aug. 13, 1787.  
 Bernhard, born Aug. 30, 1789.  
 Elizabeth, born Dec. 9, 1792.

Peter Bloss, son of Conrad, was born in Washington township, this county. The date of his birth is not known; he died 1785 (?) He resided in this county as late as 1772, when his name appears in the Proprietary Tax list of Heidelberg township, being assessed, as a laborer, six shillings and eight pence. Peter Bloss married Rebecca ———— (?) and settled in To-



wamensing township, Carbon county. Here he took out a warrant as early as Feb. 7, 1776, for sixty acres of land. In 1781 we find his name in the tax list of Towamensing township, Carbon county. In a petition to the Council of Public Safety dated June 22, 1780, by the citizens of Penn, Towamensing, and Chestnut Hill townships for protection against the Indians, we find as signers, the names of Peter Bloss and Henry Bloss. The Federal Census of 1790 records "Rebekah Plose" as living alone by herself.

Henry Bloss, son of Conrad, was born in Washington township, this county. He settled in Towamensing township, Carbon county, about 1778. The Supreme Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on May 5, 1788, granted to Henry Bloss 217 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres of land; 117 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres of this land was located in Towamensing township, Carbon county, the remaining 100 acres were located in Westmoreland county and were taken out in pursuance of a warrant bearing date Jan. 20, 1786. On March 19, 1793, he obtained another warrant for fifty acres. In 1785 he was assessed Federal tax amounting to ten shillings on 160 acres of land, two horses, and two head of cattle. Henry Bloss married Elizabeth ———(?) In the Federal Census of 1790 there were in his family two sons and two daughters. At this time we know the name of only one of his children, namely, Catharina, born May 5, 1791; died Feb. 19, 1870. She married Jacob Mehrkam, born Oct. 16, 1796; died Dec. 21, 1870. Both are buried in the old cemetery adjoining Towamensing Church, Carbon county.

Conrad Bloss, youngest son of Conrad, was born in Washington township, this county. He was married to Susanna ———, and at an early date, also, settled in Towamensing township, Carbon county. The Federal Census of 1790 shows that there were then in his family one son and two daughters. The baptismal record of the Heidelberg Church, records the birth of the following children:

Anna Maria, born March 27, 1791.  
Maria Barbara, born Feb. 4, 1793.  
Jacob, born July 13, 1794.  
Conrad, born Feb. 5, 1796.

Eva Elizabeth Bloss, daughter of Conrad, was born in Washington township. The first mention we find of her is Dec. 10, 1771, when Eva Elizabeth Bloss and William Peter acted sponsors for Eva Elizabeth, a daughter of Michael and Catherine Greenewalt. She married Peter Seidel; they lived on a farm two miles west of Best Station as late as 1816.

Christian Bloss, eldest son of John George, Sr., was born in Washington township, July 27,

1768; died Feb. 2, 1836. According to the Lutheran Baptismal Record of the Heidelberg Church, he was born July 26, 1768, and baptized July 31, 1768; Johan Christian Bloss being his full name. His sponsors were Johan C. Schneider and Susanna Bloss(in). Christian Bloss was a miller by trade and operated a custom grist mill and saw-mill located one mile west of Slatedale, and now in the possession of John Remaley. Christian Bloss had twenty-nine acres and thirty perches of land which he cultivated in connection with his other business. On Nov. 7, 1812 he bought the farm from John Hunsicker. This property was in the hands of Christian Bloss and his descendants for one hundred years. Elizabeth Metzger, his wife, was born June 23, 1769, and died March 4, 1839. Christian and Elizabeth Bloss were life-long members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg Church, and are buried in the new cemetery adjoining the church. They had eight children as follows: Peter, Christian, Jr., George, Elizabeth, Jonas, John, Catherine and Maria.

J. George Bloss, son of J. George, Sr., was born March 20, 1783, in Heidelberg township, now Washington township. Here he owned upwards of 300 acres of land. His homestead is now owned by Oliver DeLong. He also operated a distillery upon this farm. He was in his eightieth year at the time of his death, which occurred Oct. 4, 1862. Eva Metzger, his wife, was born Oct. 10, 1770, and died Jan. 27, 1837. Their children are as follows: Lydia, born Nov. 18, 1806; died Aug. 27, 1871, married Jacob Harter, born Feb. 22, 1803; died June 7, 1882; Jacob; William, born March 17, 1814, settled at Scranton, Pa.; Christian settled in Tennessee; George and two others whose names are not remembered. J. George Bloss and wife were Reformed members of the Heidelberg Church which he served as elder.

Henry Bloss, youngest son of John George, Sr., and Anna Barbara Bloss, was born in Washington township, on March 9, 1789. On March 27, 1806, at the age of 17, he bought from his father the homestead, together with 141 acres and fifteen perches of land. This constituted almost half the original farm which belonged to his grandfather Conrad, the immigrant. Henry Bloss was a farmer and a distiller. His death occurred March 13, 1850. Salome Handwerk, his wife, was born July 18, 1791, and died Feb. 7, 1867. Their children are:

Magdalena, born Feb. 28, 1813, died Nov. 18, 1882.  
Sallie, born May 31, 1815, died June 8, 1897.  
Reuben, born Dec. 5, 1818, died March 13, 1884.  
Maria, born Aug. 7, 1822, died Aug. 19, 1842.  
Lydia, born Feb. 22, 1827, died Nov. 27, 1892.

After the death of their father, the children took possession of his farm; none of them ever married. They lived together here as one family while alive. With the death of Sallie, one line of the descendants of John George Bloss became extinct.

Oscar A. Blose, president of the Thomas Slate Co., lives in Slatedale, where he was born Aug. 2, 1871. At the age of twelve years he began to work in the slate quarry and in 1901 he was made president of the Enterprise Slate Co., which position he served five years. This company employs twenty men. In 1906 he became president of the Thomas Slate Co., later in 1908, he also was made its manager. This company manufacturing roofing slates, mantles, and blackboards, employs twenty-five men. Mr. Blose is a member of the Slatedale Orchestra composed of thirteen pieces and was also one of the organizers of the Slatedale Band composed of thirty-two pieces. Fraternally, he is a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 624, I. O. O. F., of which he is a Past Grand, charter member and Past President of Washington Camp, No. 323, P. O. S. of A., and was the first President of the Order of Red Men, Kittatinny Tribe, No. 445. He is also a member of the Citizen's Fire Co. of Slatedale. On November 29, 1895, Mr. Bloss was united in marriage to Agnes M. Rex, daughter of Benjamin and Fianna (Sauerwine) Rex. They have these children: Walter S., and Silva A.

Elizabeth Bloss, daughter of John George, Sr., was born in Washington township, May 12, 1772, and died Oct. 16, 1839. She was married to John Peter, born May 17, 1773; died March 21, 1857. They resided at Hoffman's, this county. Their children are as follows: Susanna, born 1795; Elizabeth, born 1796; Jonas, born 1798; Magdalena, born 1800; Margaretta, born 1802; John, born 1804; Henry, born 1806; Anna Maria, born 1807; Catherine, born 1809; Michael, born 1811; and William, born 1813. Elizabeth Bloss is buried in the new cemetery adjoining Heidelberg Church.

Julianna Bloss, daughter of John George, Sr., was born in Washington township, Oct. 3, 1775; died Oct. 28, 1829. Her husband, Casper Peter, was born Oct. 10, 1774, and died Nov. 15, 1841. They lived on a farm one mile east of the Heidelberg Church. Their children are, namely, Daniel, born Aug. 19, 1798; John Casper, born 1797; Godfrey, born March 19, 1800; Elizabeth, born July 15, 1802; Henry, born March 23, 1808; and Reuben, born Aug. 4, 1814. Julianna Bloss is buried in the old cemetery adjoining Heidelberg Church.

Anna Maria Bloss, daughter of John George,

Sr., was born in Washington township, April 17, 1779; died Jan. 2, 1836. Michael Wehr, her husband, was born Feb. 3, 1768, and died March 29, 1852. They lived near Best Station on the farm owned by Benjamin Wehr, their grandson. They had the following children: Daniel, Michael, William, Solomon, Elias, and Maria, wife of Jonas Kern.

Peter Bloss, eldest son of Christian, Sr., was born Aug. 11, 1792; died Aug. 6, 1828. He was a tailor by trade and single at the time of his death.

Christian Bloss, Jr., son of Christian, Sr., was born Sept. 7, 1794. He was a farmer and a shoemaker living near the Lehigh Furnace, on the farm now owned by Daniel Heinzelman, where he died Sept. 17, 1845. His wife, Margaretha Schoneberger, was born Aug. 6, 1795, and died June 28, 1847. Their only child, Aaron, born Jan. 21, 1816; died Jan. 27, 1863, was married to Maria Roth, born March 26, 1716; died Jan. 27, 1892. Aaron and Maria Bloss had three sons and two daughters, namely, Edward and Franklin, who fought in the Civil War, Franklin was born July 6, 1836, and was killed in the battle of Antietam, Sept. 17, 1862; Wilson; Sabina, born Aug. 23, 1841, died Jan. 11, 1909, married Alfred Lentz. Eliza married Phaon Schaffer.

George Bloss, son of Christian, Sr., was born Sept. 16, 1796, and died March 29, 1874. He resided near Best Station; the homestead is at the present time owned by Oliver DeLong, who is married to his granddaughter, Flora. Besides cultivating his 45-acre farm, he followed the shoemaking trade. George Bloss was married to Elizabeth Rex, born Sept. 12, 1803, and died Feb. 11, 1882. Their children are: (1) David, born Oct. 4, 1821; died Sept. 22, 1895, married first Violette Snyder, born Oct. 23, 1826; died March 16, 1875; Catherine Breinig was his second wife. (2) Stephen, born Dec. 16, 1831; died April 4, 1911, married Juliann Zimmerman, born Nov. 18, 1833; died Oct. 17, 1911.

Elizabeth Bloss, daughter of Christian, Sr., was married to Jonas Handwerk. Their children are: Elizabeth, who was married to Peter Wert, Catherine and Aaron.

Jonas Bloss, son of Christian, Sr., was born Sept. 21, 1801. Early in life, he learned the milling trade and after his father's death, he came into possession of the homestead. He continued custom milling and farming until his death, which occurred on July 6, 1869. For a number of years he served as supervisor for Heidelberg township. He was a member of the Reformed wing of the Heidelberg Church.



Jonas Bloss was married to Catherine Rex, a daughter of John and Catherine (Peter) Rex, and was born Oct. 4, 1805, and died Oct. 20, 1887. They had these children: Jonas, born Jan. 21, 1826; died May 15, 1854, married Lucy Ann Peter; Caroline, born May 15, 1827; died Nov. 29, 1892, married Nathan Harter; Peter, born June 13, 1829, a bachelor; died March 27, 1901; Joel, born Nov. 12, 1831; died May 6, 1910, married Sarah Schneider, born Feb. 28, 1833; Francis, married Sabina Moyer; Catherine, born Jan. 26, 1838; died May 10, 1873, married Paul Remaley, born March 15, 1838; died Oct. 12, 1905; Helena, married Paul Kemmerer.

John Bloss, son of Christian, Sr., was born May 22, 1804. He was the owner of a farm one mile north of the Lehigh Furnace. Besides farming, he conducted, on the same premises, a hotel for many years. His death occurred July 16, 1886. John Bloss married Maria Hartman, who was born Sept. 24, 1810, and died June 28, 1872. They had the following children, namely, Paul, married to Maria Ann Peter; Sarah, married to Emanuel Wehr, and John, married to Ellen Hunsicker.

Catherine Bloss, daughter of Christian, Sr., was born Jan. 1, 1808; died Jan. 5, 1894. She married Martin Handwerk, who was born Nov. 29, 1804, and died Aug. 21, 1885. Their homestead and farm lies about two miles northeast from Germansville, and is now in the possession of their grandson, Clinton Handwerk. Their children are: Paul, Benjamin, Peter, Feyenna, Druscilla, Maria, and Polly.

Maria Bloss, daughter of Christian, Sr., was born Oct. 2, 1812; died April 6, 1891. She was married twice. With her first husband, Elias Handwerk, born May 13, 1810; died June 3, 1842, she had two sons; namely, (1) Milton, born Feb. 20, 1835; died Dec. 20, 1903, married Sallie Ann Repert, born March 5, 1834; died July 13, 1884. (2) Frank, a veteran of the Civil War, married to Catherine Coffin. With her second husband, Daniel Paules, born Feb. 28, 1811; died July 17, 1892, she had one daughter, Maria, whose first husband was Elijah Hartline, and her second husband is William Hartline.

George Bloss, son of J. George, Jr., was born Oct. 24, 1803, and died upon the homestead, Jan. 19, 1887, in his eighty-fourth year. He obtained sixty-seven acres of the large farm which his father owned and later in life divided into several smaller farms. For many years, he was supervisor of his district. He was a member of the Heidelberg Church which he served as dea-

con, elder and trustee. His first wife Eva Handwerk was born March 2, 1805, died Jan. 13, 1834. Their children are: Edwin and Mary Ann, married to John Sensinger. Maria Peter, born Oct. 7, 1816; died April 1, 1876, was the second wife of George Bloss. Their union was blessed with the following children, namely, Catherine, William, Tilghman, Charles, Wilson, Lewis, Matilda, Leanna, Fianna, Maria, and Jane Amanda. The last three died small.

Jacob Bloss, son of George, Jr., was born July 26, 1816; died June 4, 1890. He was a farmer and a blacksmith, and succeeded his father to the ownership of the homestead in Washington township, near Best Station. This farm is now owned by Oliver DeLong and on it is a stone house and a barn over one hundred years old. Jacob Bloss, for many years, was supervisor of Washington township. He served the various church offices of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg Church. His wife, Lovina Peter, was born Nov. 5, 1825, and died Dec. 17, 1901. Their children are: David J., and Leanna, married to Benjamin Hensinger.

Joel Bloss, son of Jonas, a former resident of Washington township, this county, was born May 11, 1831. He resided on the farm the greater part of which belonged to Conrad Ebert an early citizen of this township, located one and one-half miles southwest of Slatedale. Besides, he owned and cultivated a large farm in Heidelberg township, now in possession of his son Benneville. Joel Bloss early in life learned the blacksmith trade, a vocation he followed in connection with his farming. Mr. Bloss was one of the most progressive and successful farmers in his township. He also dealt extensively in western horses, making trips personally, at different times to Wisconsin, Iowa, and Kansas, in order to supervise the buying of the best live stock. It was in December, 1902, while away on a trip to Iowa and Kansas, accompanied by his son Benneville, that he contracted a severe cold from the effects of which he never fully recovered and which finally led to his death which occurred May 6, 1910. Joel Bloss was married to Sarah Schneider, a daughter of John and Maria Barbara (Hausman) Schneider, a noted gunsmith, of Heidelberg township. Mr. Bloss was a lifelong member of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg Church of which his wife is also a faithful member. At different times he served in the capacity of deacon and elder of the church. In politics he was always a Republican. Joel and Sarah Bloss had five children, one of whom is deceased, namely, Henry W., James F., Nathaniel, born Sept. 4, 1863, died Aug. 16, 1889, Benneville J., and Alvin F.

Edwin Blose, son of George, died of pneumonia Dec. 5, 1911, aged seventy-nine years, ten months, and twelve days. By trade he was a carpet weaver, following this occupation for many years. He lived one mile west of Best Station. Maria Heintzelman, his wife, was born Sept. 4, 1830, and died Dec. 20, 1908. Edwin and Maria Blose had three sons and two daughters, namely, Alice, wife of Frank Hoffman, and Emma Jane are deceased, Henry, of Schnecksville, Moses, of Allentown, and Lewis with whom he lived since the death of his wife.

William Blose, son of George, was a carpenter and a contractor, residing in Slatedale. He was born Feb. 22, 1837, and died May 29, 1883. He erected most of the buildings of his community during his time, employing as many as eighteen carpenters. Mr. Blose was also a slate operator. In the "Hersh Hill" also known as the Blue Mountain Vein quarry, he employed twenty-five men. His death occurred by falling ninety-eight feet into the quarry which he operated. The accident was caused by the carriage slipping out of the catch and striking him as he stood along the edge of the quarry. In politics, he was a Republican, being the committee man of his district many years and frequently a delegate to county conventions. He was married to Sallie, a daughter of Henry Hoffman. They had ten children, namely, James O., and Nathaniel S.; Agnes M., Wallace G., and Ella J. are deceased; Emma C. C., Oscar A., Alpha A.; Lizzie R., deceased; and William G.

CHARLES BLOSE, of Best, a retired farmer, was born June 2, 1849, in Washington township, this county. In 1867 he learned the carpenter trade which he followed for thirty-eight years. He was a boss carpenter for the last thirty-one years, employing as many as fourteen men in erecting buildings throughout the upper end of the county. For many years, Mr. Blose was the leading carpenter and builder of his community, and always enjoyed the reputation of being an excellent mechanic. He owned a farm of thirty-four acres contiguous to his father's farm to the north. This farm he sold in 1911, after an ownership of many years. Politically, he is an active Republican; for a number of times, he was delegate to county conventions and since 1896 is assessor of his native township. In 1869 Mr. Blose was united in marriage to Violetta Handwerk, a daughter of George and Lydia (Metzger) Handwerk. Mr. Blose and family are active members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg Church, which he served both as deacon and elder. Mr. and Mrs. Blose have the following children: George F. S., Har-

vey A., of Renova, Pa., Richard A., of Washington township, Elmer H., of Neffs, Ida, married to W. G. Weaver, Daisy V., married to George Kreitz, Agnes F., married to John Remaly, Lida P., single, Chester C. and Lillie J. died in childhood.

David J. Blose was born Nov. 29, 1843. By trade, he was a shoemaker which occupation he followed many years; later, he pursued farming, moving in 1882 upon the Schneck farm at Holtenbach's Mill in Lowhill, where he lived ten years. Then he moved upon the homestead in Washington township, where he resided until 1895, when he retired and moved to Allentown at which place he died May 14, 1909. Mr. Blose built two houses in Germansville, prior to his moving to Allentown. In politics he was a Republican and served as school director in Heidelberg township. David Blose was married to Sarah Schneck. To them were born five children, namely, (1) Oscar F., (2) Ida, married Chester Wetherhold, (3) Emma, married Richard Hunsicker, and their death occurred only ten days apart. They left these small children: Stanley, Earl and Esther, (4) Clara, married James Fritz, (5) Clinton P.

BENNEVILLE JOHNSON BLOSS, son of Joel and Sarah (Schneider) Bloss, was born near Slatedale, Aug. 17, 1866. He received his education in his native township. Upon attaining his majority he was employed by the Philadelphia Sugar Refining Co. for almost a year. In 1894 he began farming in Heidelberg township. He does a great deal of trucking in conjunction with general farming. Politically, he is an active Republican, having served as auditor as well as some of the other minor offices of his township. In 1911 he served the office of mercantile appraiser of this county. Mr. Bloss, for a number of years, served in the National Guard, Company H, Fourth Regiment. Fraternally he is a member of Star of the North Commandery, No. 92, Knights of Malta. In 1890 he was united in marriage to Laura Weiss, a daughter of Daniel and Catherine (Lewis) Weiss. Their union was blessed with four sons and three daughters of whom the following survive: Harold L., Mary C. and Quinton P.

GEORGE F. S. BLOSE, of Pleasant Corner, was born in Heidelberg township, Aug. 12, 1869. He worked among farmers for twelve years and began farming at Pleasant Corner (Jordan P. O.) in 1889, where he owns and cultivates a 28-acre farm, which earlier belonged to Amos Rabenold who built the present brick house on this farm in 1854. During the winter months, Mr. Blose follows the butcher trade and enjoys the very enviable reputation of making the "fa-



mous country sausage." In politics he is a Republican and after serving Heidelberg township as supervisor one term steadfastly refused a re-nomination. As a deacon, Mr. Blose served Heidelberg Church, of which he is a member, one term. On June 9, 1889, he married Emma Billig, daughter of James and Medina (Gildner) Billig, and a granddaughter of Emanuel and Matilda (Zimmerman) Billig. They have these children: Charles G., Edna M., and Wilmer G.

OSCAR F. BLOSE, merchant and councilman, of Allentown, was born in Heidelberg township, Jan. 12, 1870. He lived upon the farm until he was twenty-one years old. In 1891, he came to Allentown and worked in a grocery store until he accepted a clerkship with Koch Bros. in whose employ he remained until 1900, when he engaged in the mercantile business at Eleventh and Linden streets. He conducts a dry goods, notions, and grocery business, employing four clerks. As a Republican, he was elected to the school board for three years and in Nov. 1911, he was elected a common councilman of the Seventh ward. He and family were members of Trinity Reformed Church, which he served as deacon and trustee; later they connected themselves with Zion's Reformed Church. Fraternally, he is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. and A. M., St. James Commandery, No. 68, Knights of Malta, Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O. F., and the I. O. U. A. M. In 1897 he married Belle Boyer, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Bickley) Boyer, of Red Lyon, Berks county. They have these children:

Pearl B.

Harold, born Feb. 28, 1899, died Nov. 29, 1910.

Helen M., born Oct. 23, 1902, died Jan. 3, 1905.

Mary B., born May 7, 1906, died May 7, 1911.

CLINTON P. BLOSE, who conducts a grocery store at 1325 Gordon street, Allentown, was born at Germansville, this county, Jan. 24, 1880. He worked upon the farm until 1896, when he came to Allentown, where he worked in the shoe factory as a cutter nearly ten years. In Jan. 1905, he engaged in his present business. On March 14, 1901, he was united in marriage to Lizzie Daniel, a daughter of Joel and Katie (Snyder) Daniel, of Green Brier, Northumberland county, Pa. They have one son, Carl Daniel Blose. Mr. and Mrs. Blose are members of Trinity Reformed Church, which he serves as a deacon. He is also president of the Christian Endeavor Society.

HENRY WILLIAM BLOSS, bank director, former slate operator, agriculturist, ex-county commissioner, and distinguished citizen of Slatedale is

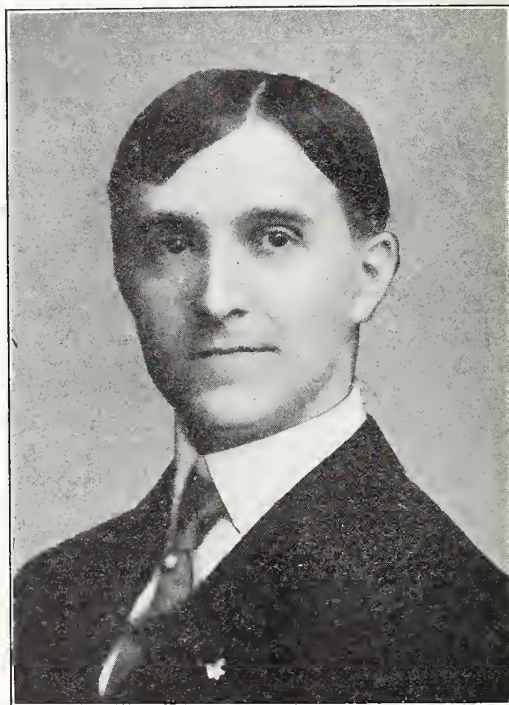
a son of Joel and Sarah (Schneider) Bloss. He was born near Slatedale, Washington township, this county, June 19, 1857. He received his early education in the schools of Heidelberg and Washington townships. Reared on his father's farm he acquired the art and science of farming. At his majority, he embarked in the lumber business in which he was interested for twenty-five years in conjunction with other enterprises with which he identified himself. At first he confined himself mainly to the buying of woodlands converting the timber thereon into merchantable lumber, later, after establishing the lumber yard in Slatedale—now owned by his brother, James—he dealt in rough and finished lumber of all descriptions. For many years he supplied the L. V. R. R. Co. with ties. His next adventure was in the slate quarrying and manufacturing business, in partnership with the late Louis Fink and William Merscher. This partnership existed for about a year. In 1893 he was instrumental in organizing the Lion Slate Company, Limited, of which he was president and general manager. This company, employing 35 men, was a very prosperous concern, having its quarries near Slatedale. In 1894 he severed his relations with this company. In 1894-95 he built the Slatedale Bakery and carried on the baking business for about one year. In 1905, he helped to organize the Washington Water Supply Company, which supplies water to Slatedale and vicinity. In 1908, he and Wilson Rex organized the Slatedale Electric Light, Heat, and Power Company, which also furnishes Slatedale and vicinity with electric energy in its various forms. In 1880 he located in Slatedale and in 1897-98 he built the handsome residence which he occupies at the present time. As an ardent supporter of our educational system, Mr. Bloss served his township as school director for thirteen years, being secretary of the board for ten years, and having done a great deal to advance education and uplift the community with good schools. In politics he is a Republican and for many years he was committeeman of his district. During Benjamin Harrison's administration, he served as postmaster of Slatedale. In the fall of 1905, he was elected county commissioner of this county and three years later was re-elected. Since relinquishing this office he is devoting his time to farming. His farm which is included in a tract of 7,000 acres of land purchased in 1902 from the executors of the estate of Abraham S. Hewitt, of New York City, is located at the Lehigh Furnace. Fraternally he is a member of the following secret organizations: Slatington Lodge No. 440, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M.; Allen Council No. 23, R. and S.

M. M.; Allen Commandery No. 20, K. T.; Caldwell Consistory 32° S. P. R. S.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Allentown Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. E.; Allentown Aerie, No. 110, F.; Slatington Encampment No. 231, I. O. O. F. O. E.; Slatington Lodge, No. 624, I. O. O. F.; Washington Camp No. 323, P. O. S. of A.; and Peters Defiance Council No. 298, Jr. O. U. A. M. He is also a member of the Lehigh County Historical Society and of the Citizens Fire Company of Slatedale. He is a director of the Lehigh National Bank of Catasauqua and of the Penn Counties Trust Company of Allentown. In 1877, Mr. Bloss was united in marriage to Elvena Louise, estimable daughter of Henry and Adilia (Stopp) Kern, of near Slatedale. She was born Nov. 27, 1859. Mr. and Mrs. Bloss adhere to the Reformed faith. Their union was blessed by the following children: Lillie Tevilla, married to Harry C. Balliet, resides in Slatedale; Clinton Joel, resides in Allentown; Carrie Adilia, single, at home.

CLINTON JOEL BLOSS, son of Henry William and Elvena Louise (Kern) Bloss, was born in Slatedale, Washington township, this county, Oct. 2, 1880. He received his early education in the public schools of Slatedale. At the age of seventeen years he began to teach the "Renninger School" in his native township, which school he taught for two terms. During the summer of 1899 and the spring of 1900, he attended the Lehigh Preparatory school in Bethlehem, Pa. In the fall of 1900 he matriculated as a student in the freshman class of Lehigh University and four years later graduated from this institution with the degree of mechanical engineer. Since Oct. 1, 1904, he is in the employ of the Lehigh Foundry Co., at Fullerton, Pa., as mechanical engineer. Mr. Bloss located in Allentown, Pa., May, 1906, and since Oct. 1, 1907, he is residing at 35 South Madison street. In the fraternal circle he is a member of Slatington Lodges No. 440 F. and A. M., No. 624; I. O. O. F., and I. O. O. F. Encampment No 231.

He is also a member of the Lehigh County Historical Society. On April 14, 1905, Mr. Bloss was united in marriage to Anna Mae Edwards, daughter of William D. and Ann Jane (Roderick) Edwards, a native of Mahanoy Plane, Schuylkill county, Pa. Mrs. Bloss was born in Lansford, Carbon county, Pa., on Dec. 29, 1885. She attended the public schools of Lansford, and graduated from the Lansford high school in 1902. In the fall of the same year she was admitted to the junior class in the East Stroudsburg State Normal school, from which institution she graduated in 1904. She taught the Lehigh Furnace primary school in Washing-

ton township, this county, for one term, 1904-1905. Mr. and Mrs. Bloss adhere to the Reformed faith. To them were born the following children: Rachel Marie, Elizabeth Catherine, Henry Clinton, and David William.



CLINTON J. BLOSS.

Henry Bloss, son of John and Rachel (Hausknecht) Bloss, was born at Weissport, Northampton county, May 15, 1833. He was a lifelong resident at Freemansburg, Pa., where he was an extensive coal dealer and lumber merchant, also a manufacturer of lumber. He was a member of the Free Masons and the Odd Fellows.

Henry Bloss was married on Aug. 20, 1854, to Rufina Weston, a daughter of John and Isabella (Knapp) Weston. She was born Dec. 6, 1835, in Whitehall township, and now resides in West Bethlehem, Pa., where she has been a member of the Moravian Church for more than a quarter of a century. Mr. Bloss died on Nov. 14, 1870, and is buried at Freemansburg. Their children follow: 1. Isabella, born May 11, 1855, is married to William Fox, of Philadelphia. 2. Westen H., born Jan. 31, 1857. 3. Alice J., born Sept. 30, 1860, died, aged two years. 4. Milton H., born July 14, 1862, resides at Pasadena, California. 5. Henry Harrison, born May 12, 1864, is an attorney at Aurora, Mis-



souri. 6. Laura J., born April 30, 1866, is married to Samuel Poole, of Crestline, Ohio.

Weston H. Bloss, the second child and oldest son of Henry and Rufina (Weston) Bloss, was born at Freemansburg, Pa., January 31, 1857. He has been one of the superintendents of the shops of the Bethlehem Steel Company for many years. He and his family are members of the Moravian Church. He has a son, Raymond H. Bloss, whose history follows.

RAYMOND H. BLOSS, M.D., a practicing physician at Bethlehem, Pa., was born at Bethlehem, September 7, 1883. He was educated in the public schools of his native city and graduated from the Moravian Parochial school at Bethlehem in 1900, and from the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, in 1906. During 1906-1907 he was the chief resident physician of the hospital at Pottsville, Pa., and on July 17, 1907, he settled at Bethlehem, where he enjoys a large and lucrative practice. He has membership in the Lehigh Valley Medical Society, the Northampton County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. Socially he is a member of Stichter Lodge, No. 254, F. & A. M., of Pottstown, Pa. He is a member of the Moravian Church.

#### BLUMER FAMILY.

The Blumer family is descended from Othmar Blumer, who lived at Luchsingen, on the river Linth, in the canton of Glarus, Switzerland, and who was church steward at Schwanden in the sixteenth century. Schwanden was a town which had many converts in the time of the Reformation and in 1528 the images were taken out of the church and the mass was abolished in 1543. Othmar Blumer had two sons: Wolfgang, governor of the province of Werdenberg in 1580, and Esaias. Othmar Blumer, son of Esaias, had a son, Peter Blumer, who was born in 1581 and died in 1669. In 1654 he was governor of the free cities. His son, John Jacob Blumer, was governor of the county of Baden in 1661. He married Agatha Zeiflin, and had five sons. His fourth son, John Henry Blumer, was born in 1663, and became pastor of the church at Grabs, in the canton of St. Gallen. Grabs is included in the province of Werdenberg, and is situated in the valley of the Rhine, among beautiful mountain scenery, not far from Wildhaus, the birthplace of Zwingli, and is mentioned in history as early as the year 948. John Henry Blumer had a son, Peter, who died an officer in the army of France, and John Jacob.

John Jacob Blumer became the pastor at Betschwanden and Grabs, and married, May 3, 1726, Salome Shindler, of Mollis. He died in 1746.

He had five sons: Conrad, born April 6, 1727, who became an officer in the Swiss regiment in the service of the King of Sardinia and died at Alexandria; John Henry, born 1728, who became a surgeon and major in a Swiss regiment and died at Breslau; John Jacob, born Sept. 28, 1729, who died a cadet in the Meyer regiment at Taggis; Fridolin, born Feb. 17, 1732, who died on the voyage to America; and Abraham.

Rev. Abraham Blumer was born in Grabs, in the province of Werdenberg, then in the canton of Glarus, now a part of the canton of St. Gallen, on Dec. 14, 1736, according to the old style calendar, or December 25th, new style. He attended the German school until his tenth year, when his father died, and his relatives having determined that he should enter the ministry, he was sent to the Latin school, where he remained seven years. He then entered the University of Basel, Aug. 1, 1754, and was ordained a minister of the Reformed Church on June 8, 1756. He became chaplain of the Swiss regiment Meyer, in the service of the King of Sardinia, on July 11, 1757, and served until September, 1766, when he left the service and became vicar to a sickly minister and tutor in languages and sciences to several young people until the beginning of 1770. At this time the desire to go to America, which he had felt in his younger years, again awakened and he determined to go on a voyage to Holland and England.

Rev. M. Planta, pastor of the German Reformed church in London, strongly urged his appointment to a charge in America in a letter dated June 26, 1770. Rev. Blumer appeared before the deputies of the North and South Holland Synods at the Hague, on Aug. 23, 1770, and was chosen a minister to be sent to Pennsylvania. He left Amsterdam, Sept. 6, 1770, and after a long and hard voyage arrived in New York in the latter part of January, 1771. In February, he appeared before the Cœtus in Philadelphia, and was placed in the Whitehall charge. On Feb. 17, 1771, he became pastor of Allentown, Egypt, Jordan and Schlosser's (now Union) congregations, in this charge, and served until May 17, 1801, a period of thirty years and three months. During his pastorate the number of his baptisms was 2,517, and he confirmed 1,137 persons. He was clerk of the Reformed church Cœtus in 1773 and 1784, and president in 1774 and 1785. He was a finely educated man, versed in the English, German, French and Dutch languages, and a master of Latin, Greek and Hebrew. He received a call from the French Reformed church of New York city in 1774, which he declined in a letter written in the French language. In 1785, he purchased 195 acres of land along the Jordan

creek, north of the present "Iron Bridge," on which a house built by him still stands.

He lived retired on his farm but was frequently called upon to officiate at weddings, baptisms and funerals among his former parishioners, who greatly admired him. It was during his pastorate of Zion church, Allentown, and probably with his knowledge, that the Liberty Bell was concealed in the church. During his pastorate, also, new stone churches were built by the Allentown, Egypt, and Union congregations. Rev. Blumer, in his report in 1785, stated that his yearly salary was £100, with £20 perquisites, and £95 expenses. He married, Feb. 25, 1772, Susanna Maria Frary, who was born in 1743 and died Jan. 1, 1825. Rev. Blumer died April 23, 1822, aged 85 years. He and his wife are buried in the old churchyard at Jordan Reformed church. They had five children, the eldest of which died soon after birth in December, 1772. The four who grew to maturity were Jacob, Salome, Henry and Susanna Maria.

Salome Blumer, the eldest daughter, was born May 24, 1776, and died April 24, 1844. She married, Dec. 20, 1807, Michael Heller, and had two sons and four daughters: Michael, Salome, Philip, Maria, Julia, and two who died in infancy.

Susanna Maria Blumer, the youngest daughter, was born June 30, 1782, and died Aug. 22, 1843. She married, Jan. 11, 1807, Anthony Musick, who was born Sept. 16, 1775, and died Jan. 2, 1837, in Philadelphia. He was the son of Samuel Musick, of Whitehall, who died in 1780, and his wife, Dorothea Musgening. Anthony Musick was sheriff of Lehigh county from 1817 to 1820. Their children were: Aaron, Josiah, Reuben W., and Henrietta.

Jacob Blumer, the eldest son, was born in Whitehall township, April 13, 1774. He was well educated by his talented father and being of a mechanical turn of mind became a clockmaker, and made many of the tall clocks now so highly prized. In the War of 1812 he was First Lieutenant of Capt. John F. Ruhe's company, called the "Northampton Blues." He was town clerk of Allentown from 1812 to 1829. He died Sept. 5, 1830, and was buried on the old Allentown cemetery with military honors. He married, June 20, 1802, Catharine Rhoads, only daughter of Judge Peter Rhoads. She was born April 26, 1780, and died Dec. 25, 1817. She was a talented and accomplished woman, the idol of her father, who gave her everything she desired. About 1795, he purchased a pianoforte for her, the first in the town, and she also had a maid, who dressed her hair in the elaborate fashion of the day and starched and ironed the large ruffles worn at that

time. Her silhouette is reproduced at the end of the nineteenth chapter in the first volume of this work. Mrs. Blumer died while several of her children were still small.

Jacob Blumer married, the second time, Mrs. Mary M. Hoffman, *nee* Scheirer. She was born Jan. 18, 1787, and died Dec. 29, 1858. After his death she married Abraham Newhard. Jacob Blumer had in the second marriage, two children: Franklin F., of Leavittsburg, Ohio; and Caroline, who married Silas Newhard, and had two children, Frank J., and George B. Newhard. In the first marriage he had six children:

Lucy A., who died unmarried, Nov. 12, 1879, aged 77 years.

Camilla, who married John Mohr, and had children: Edmund J., an attorney of Allentown, who married Eliza R. Romig, and had one daughter, Matilda; Mrs. Ann Sterner; William; Maria E., who married Charles Howell, and had one son, William J. Howell; Allen A.; Henry J.; Kate; Caroline B.; Lucy, who married Otto Kessler; Mrs. Emily Thigen; and Charles C. Mohr, formerly editor of the *Friedensbote*.

Alexander A. Blumer, born Aug. 1, 1806, died May 4, 1842. He was one of the proprietors of the *Friedensbote* from Jan. 1, 1831, until his death.

Matilda, born March 9, 1808, died Jan. 21, 1854. She married, Sept. 30, 1838, Edmund D. Leisenring, who was a prominent editor and was one of the proprietors of the *Friedensbote* from 1850 until his death in 1882, during which time he was also the editor. They had four children: Anna C., married John S. Kessler, and had two children: Lucius, deceased; and Matilda B.; Olivia A., married George H. Gerhart, and had two children: Anna M., wife of Prof. John E. Sandt, of Reading, and William; Mary J., married Aaron Amich and had one child, Edna, and Mrs. Martha Eidel.

Victor T. Blumer, born Sept. 29, 1809, son of Jacob, became a druggist with Ludwig Schmidt, but on Jan. 1, 1840, became one of the proprietors of the *Friedensbote*, with his brother, and continued as such for twenty years until his death Aug. 24, 1860. He married Eliza Rupp, who was born Nov. 18, 1820, and died July 21, 1860. They had ten children: Alexander A., born 1843, died 1873; John, of California; Mary C., born 1847, died 1848; Rosina B., wife of James F. Kerschner, of Coplay; Victor T., who died, unmarried, Dec. 29, 1904; William J., born 1852, died 1853; Eliza R.; Charles, of Newark, N. J.; George G.; and Sallie C.

GEORGE G. BLUMER, youngest son of Victor T., was born in Allentown, July 24, 1856. He was educated in the city schools and graduated



from the Allentown high school in 1874. He was then employed by Aschbach & Jacoby in the construction of the Coopersburg turnpike, after which he taught school for four years in Whitehall, Lower Macungie and Heidelberg townships. He then became superintendent of the Allentown Passenger Railway Company until the road was sold to a New York syndicate. He was salesman for the C. H. Stiles bookstore at various times, altogether a period of twenty-five years. In 1905, he was elected prothonotary of the county.

Mr. Blumer was a member of the Republican county committee from 1877 to 1907, and county chairman from 1878 to 1885 and 1906 to 1912, as well as frequently chairman of the Republican city committee. He was elected a member of city council in 1880 and served three terms. In 1888, he was elected a school director and served until 1895. He was a member of the Board of Control from 1890 to 1895, and subsequently was school director in the Eighth ward. He is a member of the St. Leger Club, Livingston Castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, Lecha Wonk Tribe, Order of Red Men; Liberty Fire Company; and of Zion Reformed church. He married, Aug. 29, 1894, Miss Katie F. Crader, and has one son, George, born June 21, 1895.

William Henry Blumer, youngest son of Jacob Blumer, was born in Allentown, Sept. 11, 1811. On Jan. 1, 1834, he became one of the proprietors of the *Friedensbote*, with his brother, Alex. A., and the firm name, which had been Grater & Blumer, became A. A. and W. H. Blumer. In 1840, his brother, Victor, became a partner, and after Alexander A. Blumer's death in 1842, the paper was carried on by V. and W. H. Blumer until Jan. 1, 1844, when Charles S. Bush purchased the interest of W. H. Blumer, who retired from the firm, having been elected county treasurer. He subsequently engaged in the banking business and was president of the First National Bank from 1864 to 1877. He died in 1881. He married, March 16, 1834, Susanna Biery, daughter of David and Susanna (Mickley) Biery, who was born April 3, 1817, and died Dec. 1, 1835. She had one child, who died in infancy. He married, second, Maria Biery, and had sixteen children, of whom five died in infancy. The eleven children who reached mature age were: Henry A., born 1838, died 1862, in the Civil War; Jacob A.; Otto; Sarah C., wife of Abraham M. Springer; Alice, married Rev. Richard Apple; Ellen A., married Jacob S. Renninger; Mary L., born 1847, died 1865; Edgar; Emily, married Solomon Gore; Elizabeth, married Peter Albright; and Thomas P. Blumer.

JACOB A. BLUMER was born in Allentown,

Oct. 21, 1840. He was educated in the public schools and the Allentown Seminary, after which he was a printer for three years. He served in the Civil War as corporal in Company E, Fifth Penna. Militia Regiment, and in 1875 was treasurer of the city.

He later became connected with the *Chronicle and News*, and remained with this paper for twenty-seven years, latterly as business manager. He married, May 14, 1868, Susan R., daughter of Edward Wieder. They have two children: Lucy M., and Emily M. The family are members of St. John's Reformed church.

Franklin F. Blumer, son of Jacob Blumer, in his second marriage, was born in Allentown in November, 1826. He learned the printer's trade in the *Friedensbote* office, and later became a tobacconist with John F. Ruhe & Sons. He served in the Civil War in the Sixth Ohio Cavalry. As a young man he emigrated to Ohio and engaged in farming. He died at Leavittsburg, Ohio, Feb. 1, 1905, and left one son, Frank Blumer.

#### EDWARD C. BLUMER.

Edward C. Blumer was born March 28, 1853, at Preuss, Germany, and came to America with his mother and two uncles in 1865, landing at Philadelphia. They located at once in Salisbury township, where he attended school and worked on his uncle Frederick's farm. He then was employed with his uncle Charles, for over ten years, who had a large vineyard and was a wine merchant. After the death of his uncle he conducted the business for several years, but now lives retired at Mountainville. He was at one time a trainer of dogs and did considerable hunting. In politics he is an independent Democrat and is unmarried. His mother, Rosina H., was born March 2, 1826, and died June 27, 1883. His uncle and mother's brother, Charles Rachel, was born April 2, 1824, and died Dec. 17, 1900. His uncle, Frederick J. Rachel, a stone mason and lumber dealer, was born March 25, 1825, and died Feb. 28, 1873. They are buried at Western Salisbury church.

#### BOAS FAMILY.

The pioneer of this family was the Rev. William Boas, who emigrated from Wurtemberg, Germany, and settled at Reading, Pa., where he became one of the first pastors of the Reformed Church. He continued to officiate as a pastor until old age compelled him to retire from active service.

He was married to Barbara Epler, of Bern township, Berks county, and they had eight chil-

children: John, Jacob, Frederick, William, Daniel, Barbara (married to Jacob Levan), Catharine (married to Abraham Wanner), and Elizabeth (married to Frederick Rapp). He died Nov. 28, 1814, aged 75 years.

His son, John Boas, was born March 17, 1774 at Reading, and died August 8, 1860, having followed during his early life the trade of hatter. He was married to Susanna Herbein, of Bern township, and their children were: John, Daniel H., and Catharine (married to Sallada).

Daniel H. Boas was born in 1800, at Reading. He married Elizabeth Sherer, of Reading, also born in 1800. He died in 1852 and she in 1858. Their children were: Mary Ann, Catharine, Elizabeth E., Susan A., Frederick S., Albert D., and Clara E. (married to Mr. Austin).

Captain Frederick S. Boas, was born at Reading, Nov. 10, 1834. He was a hat manufacturer earlier in his life, but in 1852 succeeded his father in the lumber business at Reading. In 1858 he was married to Rosa Keeley and their children were John K., (who was active in the lumber business in Reading); Mary M., and Caddie S. He was much interested in the state militia, having in 1855 become captain of the "Reading Rifles," which had attained a high reputation as a military organization. During the Civil War he organized a volunteer company, numbering 110 men, which became Company 1, in the Twelfth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was a councilman from 1858 to 1861, a prominent Free Mason, and a foremost citizen of Reading.

William Boas, the fourth son of the Rev. William Boas, was born at Reading, October 7, 1778. He married on Sept. 30, 1810, Ann Elizabeth Deshler. She was born March 23, 1791, and died Jan. 15, 1857. She was the youngest child of Charles and Catharine Deshler, the latter having been born in Philadelphia in 1754 and he married in 1778. He died Feb. 17, 1840. He had a lumber yard and a grocery store at Allentown, where the Second National Bank now stands. His lumber yard extended down to Zion's Reformed church, and his house occupied the site of the present bank. His granddaughters, Jennie and Ella Boas, still have a large "punch bowl" in which their maternal ancestor, David Deshler, served punch to Revolutionary War officers. Charles Deshler and wife died in the house which occupied the site of the aforesaid bank building. They had six children:

Charles William,	born on Oct. 3, 1811.
Elizabeth,	" " Feb. 21, 1813.
Mary Ann,	" " May 12, 1815.
William H.,	" " Aug. 19, 1817.
Twin Boys,	" " Dec. 7, 1820.
Henry D.,	" " Dec. 24, 1823.

Henry D. Boas, the youngest son, was born

on Wednesday morning, Dec. 24, 1823, and departed this life Jan. 17, 1858, aged 34 years. He is buried in the Union cemetery at Allentown. He was a tobacco dealer and had his place of business upon the site now occupied by the Second National Bank. He and his family were members of the Zion's Reformed church. Maria Leh, his wife, was a daughter of Henry Leh, Sr. She died July 5, 1865, aged 46 years and 8 months. Their four children are: Alfred H., Alice M., (who is unmarried and makes her home with her brother), Jennie C., and Ella M., who are both unmarried and occupy the parental homestead at 834 Walnut street, Allentown.

ALFRED H. BOAS, of Allentown, was born March 13, 1855, at Allentown. He began to work in the shoe factory for his uncle, Henry Leh, at the age of 12 years, and later for a period of sixteen years filled the position of travelling salesman for him. Afterward, in 1883, he became connected with the firm of Batcheler & Lincoln, of Boston, Mass., who at that time were the largest shoe dealers in the world. Mr. Boas continued in the employment of this company for more than a quarter century, having been regarded as one of the best and most successful shoe salesmen upon the road. In the year 1906 he became a member of the shoe manufacturing firm of Roney & Berger Company, one of the successful business houses of Allentown, whose history appears under the industries of Allentown.

Mr. Boas, like his forebears, is a member of the Democratic party. He was elected a member of common council from the "Bloody Third" ward, by a majority of 51 over his Republican opponent, thus becoming the first Democrat to be elected to this office from that stalwart Republican stronghold.

He and his family are members of the St. John's Reformed church. They reside at No. 30 South Fulton street. Socially he is a high degree Free Mason. He has memberships in the following bodies: Greenleaf Lodge No. 561, F. and A. M.; Allen Chapter No. 203, Royal Arch Mason; Allen Commandery No. 20, K. T., all of Allentown, and the Lu Lu Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. at Philadelphia.

He was first married to Jennie, a daughter of Charles H. Ziegenfus, of West Bethlehem, Pa. After her death he married Alice Snyder, a daughter of Geo. Snyder. To the second union was born an only son, Chas. A. Boas, who is the manager of the Roney & Berger Co.

#### QUINTUS BODDER.

Quintus Bodder, section foreman of L. V. R. R. at Slatington for thirty-five years, was born



near Freemansburg, in Northampton county, Oct. 16, 1850. He was educated in the public school at Shimersville and brought up on a farm until he became twenty-one years old; then he entered the employ of the L. V. R. R. Co. and he has continued in its service until the present time. Since 1878 he has been foreman of Section 46, embracing the branches of the company between Slatington and Slatedale, and during this time resident at Slatington. He identified himself with the St. John's Reformed Church, which he has served as deacon and elder; and he has taken great interest in its Sunday school, having served as treasurer since 1910.

In 1873, Mr. Bodder was married to Sarah C. Cassell, of Freemansburg, a daughter of Samuel, a native of Bucks county, and they have three children: Lizzie May (m. Joseph Caskie), Mary E. (m. Harry Moyer), and Willia (m. Oliver M. Stauffer, engaged as photographer at Slatington since 1900).

Samuel Bodder was Mr. Bodder's father. He was born in 1822 at the same place and learned the trade of shoemaker which he followed until his decease in 1900. He was married to Dianna Brown, daughter of Henry, of Saucon, and granddaughter of Henry Brown, an officer in the Revolution, enlisted from Northampton county, who is buried in the graveyard attached to the Lower Saucon Church, and his grave is recognized on Decoration days as containing the remains of a Revolutionary soldier. They had nine children: Josiah, William, Quintus, Peter, Eli, Cyrus, Samuel, Ellen (m. Dr. Samuel C. Keim), and Amelia (who became the second wife of Dr. Keim).

His grandfather was also named Samuel. He resided at Bethlehem and died in 1865. He was married twice; by his first wife he had five children: Samuel, Levi, George, William and Elizabeth (m. ——— Bloom, and died in 1912), and by his second wife, three children: Edwin, Uriah, and Amanda.

The father of Mrs. Quintus Bodder was Samuel Cassell, who carried on farming and blacksmithing until some time before his death in 1898, at the age of 85 years. He was married to Susan Mann, of Bucks county, who died at Slatington in 1898, at the age of 85 years. They had four children: I. M., Abraham, Mary and Sarah C. And her grandfather was Abraham Cassell, who was a farmer in Bucks county.

#### REV. JOHN PHILIP BOEHM AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Rev. John Philip Boehm, the ancestor of one of the earliest Pennsylvania families, was born in the Palatinate, Germany, in the year 1683, son

of Philip Lewis Boehm, a Reformed minister at Machenberchen, near Hauau. Rev. John Philip was a pioneer preacher and came to America as early as 1720. He brought with him "testimonials that he had been for about seven years a faithful parochial school-teacher, and precentor in the Reformed church of the city of Worms, and that he had been driven thence by the Roman Catholics for holding the Reformed faith." These testimonials, read in the light of the law and customs of those days bear eloquent witness to his talents and attainments. In the year 1725 through great pleading by the inhabitants of Montgomery county, he became the unordained pastor at Falkner Swamp, Skippack and White March.

Of Father Boehm's temporal circumstances and of his descendants another will give a sufficient account. We will simply add that he carried on an extensive correspondence and that it was his custom to preserve carefully all letters, documents and records which pertained to the business of the church. For the preservation of these valuable papers, he had made a large iron-bound chest. After his death, this chest passed from one to another of his descendants until at last it found its ways into the garret of a house on Third street, Philadelphia.

Its history was forgotten, and its contents, unappreciated, were eventually destroyed. In the words of Harbaugh, "there is no use in either weeping or growing indignant. The folly has been perpetrated. It was a small trouble and required little wit and wisdom, to burn those records of historical facts, but no amount of pains and research can ever restore them to the church." Whoso readeth, let him understand.

First: Father Boehm did not despair of small beginnings. He gathered the fragments that nothing be lost. He watched over them, ministered unto them and when God called him to come up higher, the work went on gathering strength and has continued unto the present day.

Second: Father Boehm had a high regard for sacred things.

Third: Father Boehm believed in law and order.

Fourth: Father Boehm was a noble character and stood for righteousness and the things not made of hands eternal in the heaven.

This ancestor was married to Anna Maria Sherer and they had six children: Anthony William; Anna Marie; Sebina; Elizabeth; Maria Philippina and John Philip.

The records show that John Philip Boehm became a land owner on the Saucon Creek, at what is now Hellertown, in Lower Saucon town-

ship, Northampton county, as early as February 5, 1740, A. D., and that on May 16, 1743, he took out a second warrant, containing 103 acres. The first warrant was for 200 acres. The records further show that on Sept. 13, 1743, John Philip Boehm and Anna Maria, his wife, conveyed unto their eldest surviving son, Anthony Philip Boehm, "for natural love and affection and for better perferment in the world for divers other good causes," a tract of land in Whitpain township, Philadelphia county; that by indenture dated Nov. 13, 1762, Anthony Philip Boehm obtained from the Penns three tracts in Upper Saucon township, now Lehigh county, the first tract was twenty and one-half acres; the second tract was for thirty-eight acres; the third tract contained sixty-eight acres.

## II.

Anthony William Boehm was married to Hannah Philis (——) Boehm. They had one son, Philip. Anthony Philip Boehm died intestate in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. His widow and their son, Philip, survived him. He was buried on a private cemetery on his farm. The inscription on his tombstone is as follows:

Hier Huhet in Gott  
Anton Wilhelm Boehm  
1st Geboren den 27ten April, 1714,  
in Worms;  
1st Gestorben den 6ten April, 1766,  
Alter, 52 Jahre.

Anna Maria Boehm, was married to Adam Moser. Sebina Boehm, was married to Ludwig Bitting. Elizabeth Boehm, was married to George Shambach. Maria Phillipina Boehm married to Cornelius De-wees.

John Philip Boehm, was married to Anna Maria Yost, on Aug. 2, 1753. They had the following children: Elizabeth; Philip; Daniel, who died in infancy; Mary, who was married on May 24, 1784, to William Peltz; Philip; Jacob; Daniel, who married Catharine Peltz on Dec. 2, 1792; and Elizabeth.

## III.

Philip Boehm, son of John Philip, was born December 14, 1747, and died January 10, 1816. He married Anna Barbara Deshler, who was born Nov. 2, 1747, and died October 10, 1832. Both were buried at The Lower Saucon church. Children: Anthony, Philip, John, David, Catharine, Susanna, Mary and Elizabeth.

## IV.

Anthony Boehm, son of Philip, was born Jan. 17, 1770, and died Sept. 25, 1848. On April 1, 1801, he married Catharine Geissinger, who was born Dec. 9, 1774, and died March 6, 1845. Both are buried at Apple's church.

They had five children: Mary, Susanna, Elizabeth, David and Solomon.

Philip Boehm, the second son of Philip, was born March 7, 1770, and died June 28, 1869. He married Elizabeth Wasser, who was born Aug. 18, 1781, and died Jan. 6, 1850.

They had nine children: John Peter, Thomas M., James M., Mary, wife of Daniel Frey; Sarah, wife of Stephen Balliett; Polly, wife of George Stuber; Catharine, wife of George Ruth; Juliann, wife of Hesse Billheimer, and Elizabeth, wife of George Henn.

John Boehm, the third son of Philip, married to Rebecca Fravel.

Children: Charles, Henry, Levi, Israel, Jonas, Mary, Hannah, Henrietta, and Rebecca.

Catharine Boehm was married to Jacob Kramm.

Children: Jacob, David, Joseph, Samuel, Susanna, and a daughter who was married to a Mr. Dill.

Susanna Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, June 14, 1776, and died December 19, 1846. She was married to Jacob Ochs, born in Upper Milford township, June 8, 1776, died May 9, 1866. Both are buried at the Lower Saucon church. Their children were as follows: Mary, wife of John Aché; Charles, Jacob, David, Jesse, John, Philip and Susanna, wife of Aaron Buchecker.

Mary Boehm was married to Jacob Haas.

Elizabeth Boehm was married to Jacob Miller.

## V.

David Boehm, son of Anthony, was born Sept. 13, 1812. On Jan. 5, 1843, he married Hannah Solliday, who was born in Springfield township, March 29, 1818, and died Jan. 27, 1892. They had the following children: Mary M.; William H.; Isabella S., wife of A. Benner; Jacob H.; and Emeline, deceased.

Solomon, son of Anthony, was born at Hellertown, Aug. 19, 1815. He died Dec. 30, 1895. On Jan. 28, 1844, he married Juliann Merkle, born in Salisbury township, March 28, 1819. Their five children follow: Clara Elizabeth, wife of Alfred Keck; Preston A.; William H., deceased; and Richard H., who died in infancy.

John Peter Boehm, son of Philip and Elizabeth (Wasser) Boehm, was born Oct. 13, 1800, died Oct. 26, 1887. He married Anna Maria Arner, born Jan. 3, 1805, and died March 2, 1852. Their children follow: William H., deceased; Eliza Ann; Edwin H.; Judith Ann; Catharine Ann; Franklin H.; Mary Ann; Cordilla Ann, and two sons, each named Titus H., who died in infancy.

Thomas M. Boehm, son of Philip, was born in



Lower Saucon township, September 14, 1812, and died May 11, 1892. On May 22, 1836, he married Lucinda F. Hall, who was born in Hanover township, Jan. 20, 1817, and died Jan. 3, 1894.

The children were: Mary A., wife of Aaron Fetzer; Susanna, wife of Josiah Laubach; Martin H., Amanda, Wife of William Kichline; Diana, wife of Alfred Eschbach; Cornelius, James H., Edward, and Oliver.

James M. Boehm, son of Philip, was born in Lower Saucon township, Sept. 10, 1815, and died March 7, 1891. On October 21, 1857, he married Maria Desh, who was born in Macungie township, Nov. 8, 1816, and died Nov. 6, 1893. Both buried at Lower Saucon.

Children: Wilson H., Henry M., William A., Alfred J., George W., Lucy A., wife of Charles Kichline; and Ellen, wife of Lawrence Hoffert.

Charles Boehm, son of Philip, was born in Lower Saucon township, Nov. 24, 1815. On Nov. 3, 1844, he married Martha A. Dornblos, who was born Oct. 19, 1818.

The children were John J., George F., Henry A., Isadora, and Oliver D.

Henry Boehm, son of Philip, was born in Hellertown, Pa., June 3, 1821. He married Margaret Smith, who was born in Whitehall, Nov. 23, 1820. Children: John F., Milton A., Annie I., Sylvania E., Susanna A., Henry W., Francis M., Mary E., Laura V., George B., McL., and Horace S.

Levi Boehm, son of Philip, married Mary Wagner. Children: Jacob, Lizzie, Minnie, and Mary.

Israel Boehm, son of Philip, was born in Lower Saucon, in 1816, died in Mauch Chunk, Feb. 28, 1863. Married Jan. 5, 1847, to Mahala Dodson, died in Mauch Chunk, May 3, 1899. Children: Mary, Lizzie D., born in Mauch Chunk, Sept. 18, 1849; Robert B., Hannah, born in Mauch Chunk, Dec. 27, 1858; Isaac D., Isabella, and Mallie.

Jonas Boehm, son of Philip, had these children: Isabelle, Hannah, Catherine, Sarah, Alice, Susan, Amanda, and Lucinda.

# VI.

William H. Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, Nov. 15, 1846. He married Alice C. Foelker, June 3, 1877, who was born in Allentown, Pa., April 25, 1853. Children: D. Frank, Fred S., and Homer C.

Preston A. Boehm was born April 29, 1858, at Seidersville, Pa., on May 30, 1884, he married Lizzie O. Pflueger, who was born April 25, 1867.

Franklin H. Boehm was born April, 1839, and died April 20, 1896; he married Matilda Jacoby.

James M. Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, March 3, 1850; he married Rebecca F. Musselman, who was born in Springfield township, May 29, 1846. Children: Clara C., Gertrude G., Roger R., Bertha B., Katie L., Thomas J., and Grover C.

Edward Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, April 4, 1852. In 1870 he married Matilda Ehrig, who was born in Upper Saucon township, December 23, 1853. Children: Alfred T., George E., Robert J., Cora L., Lillie E., Victor V., Lizzie L., deceased; Oliver R., Emma R., Susan S., Bertha B., deceased; William H. and Violet M.

Oliver Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, May 11, 1857; on February 7, 1877, he married Jane Kemp, who was born in Cornwall, England, October 14, 1853. Children: Addie E., May L., Ambrose C., Susan D. G., William J. K., and Martin H.

Wilson H. Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, Jan. 14, 1840; on February 24, 1861, he married Louisa Ache, who was born in Lower Saucon township, Dec. 16, 1840. Died June 6, 1900.

Henry M. Boehm was born March 20, 1847, in Lower Saucon township. On Aug. 1, 1868, he married Saraetta Ehrig, who was born in Upper Saucon township, Nov. 1, 1846. Children: Harvey P., Anna M., Wilson H., Ammon A., Celeste M., Ellen S., Carrie I., and Milton W.

William A. Boehm was born April 2, 1851, in Lower Saucon township; on Nov. 10, 1872, he married Mary A. Hillegass, who was born April 20, 1852. Children: Calvin J., Peter J., Edward R., Ellwood J., Howard W., Steward A., Charles H. (?) and Maria E.

Alfred J. Boehm was born Nov. 23, 1859, in Lower Saucon township; on Aug. 5, 1879, he married Tevilla S. Owens, who was born Jan. 11, 1861, in Lower Saucon township. Children: Sadie P., Flora C., James A., Lizzie M., and I. May.

George W. Boehm was born February 22, 1853, in Lower Saucon township; on Aug. 2, 1879, he married Isabella Young. He was born Oct. 14, 1861. Children: William J. and Harry W.

John J. Boehm was born Sept. 25, 1845, and died April 17, 1890. He was married to Emma Gallmeyer; children,—Clarence H. and Russell.

George F. Boehm was born Sept. 5, 1847.

and married Mary Bergstresser. Children: Willis and Charles R.

Robert B. Boehm was born in Mauch Chunk, Pa., Nov. 28, 1853; married to Eleanore E. McConnell, Oct. 24, 1889, born in Philadelphia, Nov. 28, 1855. Child: Hugh Arthur, born in Bethlehem, Pa., July 10, 1891.

Isaac D. Boehm was born in Mauch Chunk, Pa., Dec. 2, 1862; married April 23, 1889, to Agnes Swartz, born Nov. 28, 1861. Children: Robert B., Louise, and Elizabeth B.

John F. Boehm married Annie Sedame. Children: Grace and Walter.

Milton A. Boehm married Mary Cogan. Child—Harry.

Horace S. Boehm married Ida Kramer. Children: Madge, Julian, and Horace S.

Francis M. Boehm married Margaret J. Nickum. Children: Arthur C., Frank W., Earl, Mabel C., and Laura M.

#### VII.

Alfred T. Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, March 6, 1871. On Nov. 21, 1891, he married Annie M. Miller, who was born in Allen township, July 25, 1873. Children: Thomas S., Oliver A., and Franklin.

Wilson H. Boehm born in Lower Saucon township, Feb. 25, 1875; in September, 1899, he was married to Minnie M. Doudt, born in South Bethlehem, Pa., July 24, 1882. They have one child.

Peter J. Boehm was born in Lower Saucon township, Nov. 10, 1875; on May 12, 1894, he married Mamie Hutchinson, who was born at Hokendauqua, Pa., Dec. 18, 1873. Child:—Frank A.

#### VIII.

Arthur C. Boehm was born in Philadelphia, Sept. 8, 1879; he married Emily Ritter, born in Bethlehem, Pa.

GEORGE FRABEL BOEHM, son of Charles and Martha Ann (Dornbloeser) Boehm, late of Allentown, was born at Hellertown, Northampton county, Sept. 5, 1847. After attending the public schools, he learned the trade of a carpenter from Joseph Dornbloeser, his grandfather. He followed this about Hellertown for a number of years. He was then engaged in the furniture business conducting a store in Hellertown for several years. From there he went to New Jersey and after a time came to Philadelphia. He followed his trade at each place. On Sept. 1, 1885, he came to Allentown, and accepted employment with the C. A. Dorney Furniture Company, in whose employ he continued for a period of nineteen years. His health became so bad, in 1904, that he had to retire, and

on March 25, 1906, he died at his residence, 944 Chew Street, Allentown. In politics he was a Republican. He was an active member of Trinity United Evangelical Church. He had been a class-leader for a number of years; and while living at Hellertown he was the teacher of a Sunday school class for some time.

On Sept. 7, 1886, he was married to Miss Mary E. Bergstresser, a daughter of Reuben and Maria (Walter) Bergstresser, of Allentown. Maria Walter was a daughter of David and Anna Margaret (Wittman) Walter, of Whitehall township. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Boehm are born two sons, Willis B. and Charles R.

#### BOGERT (BOGER) FAMILY.

Peter Bogert, a grandson of Bahrrel and Anna Barbara Bogert, was born in Germany, Dec. 13, 1721; emigrated to America on the ship *Friendship*, which landed at Philadelphia, Nov. 2, 1744. He settled on the Little Lehigh in Salisbury township, now Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. There he took up 304 acres of land, most of which to this day remains in possession of his family and descendants. Among Peter Bogert's children were: Catharine, married to Frederick Mohr; and Jacob.

Jacob Bogert, son of Peter, was born August 26, 1748, died August 7, 1802. He was a farmer in Salisbury township; was married to Anna Mohry, born July 15, 1753, and died Nov. 4, 1826. Their children were as follows: Peter, John, Catharine, Magdalena, Maria E., Solomon, Anna, Margaret, Barbara and Anna Maria.

John Bogert, the second son of Jacob, was born Dec. 1, 1772, died Aug. 15, 1854, aged 82 years, 8 months and 14 days. He married Elizabeth Kline, born Oct. 28, 1767, died Dec. 18, 1867, aged 100 years, 1 month and 21 days. Both parents and some of their children are buried at the Western Salisbury church. Their children were: Jacob, Fronica, Lydia, John, and Elizabeth.

Jacob Bogert, son of John, was born Nov. 14, 1797, died March 14, 1894, aged 96 years, 3 months and 21 days. He was married to Anna Wilt, born in 1807, died in 1867.

John Bogert, son of John, Sr., was born Sept. 28, 1808, died March 11, 1874; was married to Abigail Knauss, born Jan. 26, 1812, died Feb. 27, 1890. Their children were: Sarus K., Charles H., Hiram J., Maria E., married to Tilghman Neimeyer, whose full history appears in this volume; Matthias S., and Oscar.

HIRAM J. BOGERT, third son of John, was born Nov. 9, 1836. He was engaged for 22 years in the general merchandise business with Tilghman Neimeyer, under the firm name of



Neimeyer & Company, located at the corner of Main and Second streets, Emaus, Pa. He died May 10, 1901, and is buried at the Western Salisburg church.

He was married to Amanda C. Neimeyer, a daughter of George and Margaret (Ruder) Neimeyer. They have an only son, George J. Bogert, who resides with his mother on Main street, Emaus Pa. He is the secretary of the Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Emaus, Pa.

Sarus K. Bogert, eldest son of John, was born August 28, 1832, died Oct. 2, 1906; was married to Sarah A. Moyer, born 1839, died 1909. They had the following children: Cora E., married to John J. D. Weaver; Clara, married to Edward C. Erdman; Emanuel C.; Charles M.; John M.; Clinton M., and Anna Maria Bogert.

Matthias S. Bogert, son of John, was married to Carrie Schafrath. They reside at Allentown and have one daughter, Estella B.

Oscar Bogert, son of John, is married to Maggie Clauser. They have no children.

#### JOHN W. H. BOGERT.

John W. H. Bogert was born July 6, 1855. He was reared on the farm and educated in the public schools. He worked for his father until his marriage, when he took charge of the homestead. Mr. Bogert conducts a dairy farm consisting of 143 acres. He is a member of the Salisburg Reformed church and was deacon and elder for many years.

John W. H. Bogert was married in 1884 to Miss Emma Hottenstein, daughter of John and Mary Hottenstein. They have four children: Victor, of Allentown, m. Miss Kern; Clinton; Roman, and Meta, at home.

#### HOWARD C. BOLICH.

Howard C. Bolich, manufacturer of ladies' ribbed underwear, was born at New Ringgold, Schuylkill county, May 27, 1874. His father, Charles S. Bolich, a retired farmer, resides at New Ringgold. He was married to Sarah Kindt, a daughter of Nathan Kindt, of Schuylkill county. This union was blessed with the following children: Howard C.; Cora, married to Charles Ketner, and resides at Temple, Berks county; Laura, married to Charles Moyer; William, of Philadelphia; Abbie, deceased; Clayton, a hosiery manufacturer at Newmantown. His grandfather was William Bolich, whose wife, Mary, nee Sechler, is now in her ninety-third year.

Howard C. Bolich was educated in the public schools and worked on the farm for his parents until 22 years of age, when he purchased a farm and engaged in farming. In 1892 he bought the

general store at Obold, Berks county, which he conducted for three years, at which time he was also postmaster. From here he went to New Ringgold, Pa., where he conducted a general store for six years and at the same time for a period of two years conducted a shirt factory and for four years manufactured underwear. In 1912, he engaged in the present business of manufacturing fine ladies' ribbed underwear only and selling exclusively to jobbers. His mill is located at Sixth and Lehigh streets and consists of a 30 ft. x 80 ft. two-story brick building and a 30 ft. by 40 ft. annex. He owns and occupies the old Twelfth ward school building.

To him and his good wife, Lillie Dreher, a daughter of James and Mary (Shoener) Dreher, of Orwigsburg, Pa., were born three children: Harrison, a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School, assisting his father in the mill; Charles and Clarence.

#### BORTZ FAMILY.

There were three Bortz brothers who emigrated from Germany before the Revolutionary War and landed in Philadelphia. Their names were Henry, John Jacob and George.

Mention is made in Rupp's "Thirty Thousand Names of Immigrants in Pennsylvania," of Ludwig Bortz, who was one of the first settlers in this county, but it is not known whether he was related to the three brothers above named, who arrived at a later date.

These three brothers settled in Oley township, Berks county. Later one of them moved to Millerstown, now Macungie, and another to Longswamp, which is also in Berks.

Henry Bortz was married to Lydia Reintzheimer in Germany. They spent eighteen weeks on the ocean in coming to this country. When within sight of land their oldest child died, but the captain permitted them to bring the remains to Philadelphia, where the child was buried.

According to a statement made by Rev. F. J. Schantz at the Bortz reunion in Mercer county in 1887, Henry Bortz moved from Oley to the head of the Cedar creek in Lehigh county. There he bought a mill property and built a log house, in which he resided for a time. Later he moved to what is now called Wescoesville. The exact date of this removal is not known. There was only one small stone building in the place then, but in 1797 Henry Bortz built a very large stone house, the stones of which were hauled a distance of more than two miles. He built this house for a hotel, and it is the hotel of Wescoesville to-day.

His family consisted of nine children, six sons: John, Jacob, George, Philip, Henry, Christopher;

and four daughters: Maria, Margaretha, Magdalena, and Eva who married John Michael Mosser.

Philip Bortz married Lydia Steininger and in 1805 moved to Canfield township, Trumbull county, Ohio. After residing there six months he removed to Ellsworth township in the same county. His descendants are numerous in Ohio.

John Bortz married Mary Kemmerer. He resided near the mill property at the Cedar creek, and had one son, John, and one daughter, who was married, first, to Mr. Unger; second, to a Mr. Ritter; and afterwards to John Biery.

Jacob Bortz resided near Guthsville. He was married to a Miss Guth, and had three sons: Peter, Jonas and Edwin, and several daughters, one of whom was married to Titus Kern, of Reading.

Henry Bortz, Jr., was twice married. By his first wife, Catharine Kromer, he had one son, named Nathan; by his second wife, who was a sister of Hon. John Fogel, he had a daughter named Lucy. He died in 1826. He was the owner of the hotel his father had built. In 1827 this property was sold to Philip Wescoe, after whom the village was named Wescoesville.

George Bortz went to Cumberland Valley, Bedford county, married a Miss Smith, and died there. He had no children. After his father's death, his mother, who was then ninety-five years old, rode in a heavy covered wagon from Lehigh to Bedford county, to visit her son and her daughter. Having remained there some time, she died at the age of ninety-seven and was buried at French Cove, Bedford county.

Christopher Bortz was born in 1781 and was married to Catharine Ueberroth. His family consisted of five sons: David, John, George, Jesse and Henry; and three daughters: Fyetta, Sophia and Henrietta.

Maria Bortz was married to Jacob Schantz in 1788. Mr. Schantz resided on the mill property at the head of the Cedar creek. They had three sons: Jacob, Peter and John; and six daughters, who became the wives of Jacob Henninger, Peter Mohr, Rev. John Helffrich, Jacob Fisher, John B. Shimer, and Charles B. Shimer.

Another daughter of Henry Bortz, Sr., was married to Isaac Larosh and lived near what is now East Macungie. A third daughter was married to a Mr. Schaefer. They lived for a short time in Lehigh county and then removed to French Cove, Bedford county. There Mr. Schaefer died and Mrs. Schaefer married again. Her second husband was Rev. Yeager.

Henry Bortz the elder died in 1810 and was buried at the Lehigh church. The Bortzes were of the Lutheran faith.

Owen Bortz, a son of Solomon and Maria

(Hoffman) Bortz, was born in Upper Macungie township, Jan. 5, 1820, and was reared in Rockland township, Berks county, Pa. In this vicinity he obtained a practical education in the common schools. He remained at home until he learned the trade of a miller, when he removed to Lehigh county and for seven years conducted a mill. He later became a farmer, achieving a fair degree of success, for many years and during the last years of his life gained a lucrative livelihood by engaging in the coal business at Allentown. He was a straight-forward honorable man, and numbered among the valued and substantial citizens of his community. He had five brothers: Gideon, Jonas, William, Nathan, Benneville and Edwin; and two sisters: Fianna and Caroline.

By his marriage to Hannah Wenner, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Strauss) Wenner, and a native of South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, the following children were born:

- (1). Harrison, who was born Nov. 15, 1844.
- (2). Louis Franklin, who was born Jan. 14, 1846.
- (3). William, who was born June 10, 1849, and died Feb. 9, 1854.
- (4). Maria Elizabeth, who was born May 15, 1855.

Mr. Bortz died Dec. 20, 1891, aged 71 years, 11 months and 15 days. Mrs. Bortz died Jan. 18, 1889, aged 72 years and 7 months.

Harrison Bortz was born Nov. 15, 1844, in South Whitehall township. In early life he removed to Macungie and assisted his father upon the farm during the summer months and during the winter months attended the common schools in the neighborhood of his home. At the age of fifteen years he entered the classical school at Quakertown and the knowledge thus obtained was supplemented by a course at the Excelsior Normal School at Carversville, Pa. For a period of time following his graduation from the latter named institution he was engaged in teaching school, and with the money thus obtained he entered Muhlenberg College. In the meantime he joined a corps of engineers and for a year practiced surveying and in 1869 entered the employ of the Lehigh Iron Company as outside superintendent. By his thorough knowledge of the craft of an iron master, and the efficiency and faithfulness he displayed in the performance of his duties, he was successively promoted until he became manager and secretary of the works, and after serving in that capacity for a number of years, he was appointed to the position of superintendent. With the exception of ten years, from 1892 to 1902 spent in the employ of the Coplay furnace, he was closely connected with this firm from 1869 to 1904. After severing his relations from the Lehigh



Iron Company, he accepted a position as superintendent of the Rittersville State Homeopathic Hospital, which position he held at the time of his death. He was at one time a director of the Coopersburg Turnpike Company, and the Emaus Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He was proprietor of a mining company, operating near Emaus, for several years, and also operated an ore mine in Northumberland county at the same time.

Mr. Bortz was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran church at South Allentown, in which church he was an officer and a liberal contributor. He was one of the organizers who erected this church and the Zion's United Evangelical church.

He was one of the leading members of the South Allentown Society, which at that time erected the present hall, known as the South Allentown Beneficial Society Hall.

Mr. Bortz, while not an active politician, evinced a keen interest in the success of the Republican party; was five times a delegate to the state convention, and was in 1880, a delegate to the national convention at Chicago, which nominated James A. Garfield during the greatest political convention of the Republican party. He was chairman of the county executive committee for four years and served as school director for 24 years, 21 years of which he served consecutively, in a district largely Democratic. He was a personal friend of the late Senator M. S. Quay and Governor James A. Beaver. He had large real estate possessions, but through going bail for others lost heavily. He was actively identified with Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, Free and Accepted Masons; Allen Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Greenleaf Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and the Knights of the Mystic Chain.

He was married, Aug. 24, 1867, to Emma H. Sanders, daughter of George H. and Rebecca Sanders, of South Whitehall township, and had children: Ulysses C.; Lillie, who married Wm. L. Guth; Oliver F.; and Harrison O. G.

ULYSSES C. BORTZ, a member of the firm of Bortz Bros., coal and ice merchants of Allentown, was born Dec. 1, 1867, and was educated in the public schools and later pursued a course at the Allentown Business College. Later he learned the trade of machinist and was employed at this trade for three years. In 1887 he was appointed superintendent of the Lehigh Mining Company, serving that position for two years, when the mine became exhausted. In 1890 he removed to Allentown and was employed with the L. V. Traction Company for seven years; with the John Bowne Grocery Company for seven years, and in 1905 Mr. Bortz and his brother, H. O., organized the firm of Bortz Bros., with

offices at 329 Gordon street. The firm employs six men and are the largest dealers in the city.

Mr. Bortz is a Republican in politics and he and family are members of St. Matthew's Lutheran church. He is identified with the Maccabees and the Knights of the Mystic Chain.

On July 1, 1890, he was united in marriage with Susan W. Wieder, daughter of Tilghman and Mary Amelia (Seifert) Wieder, of Emaus, and they had children: Florence, who died in infancy; Helen and Mary, twins, who died in infancy; and Ruth.

OLIVER F. BORTZ, a machinist at South Allentown, was born in 1871, and received his education in the common schools. Later he attended the Allentown Business College and then learned the machinist trade, which has since been his avocation. Mr. Bortz is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, the Knights of the Mystic Chain, and he and his family are members of St. Mark's Lutheran church. He is a Republican in politics and is the health officer of South Allentown, and also the committeeman of the borough.

His wife was Gertrude M. Good, daughter of Preston and Hannah J. Good, and their children are: Bessie G., Clifford, and Madeline A.

HARRY O. BORTZ, a member of the firm of Bortz Bros., was born Nov. 18, 1878. He attended the common schools and later the American Commercial School of Allentown. Later he learned the ribbon weaving trade and was thus employed until 1905, when he severed his relations to become a member of the firm of Bortz Bros. During the last three years of his connection with the silk business he was foreman of the Palace Silk Mill at Allentown, Pa.

Socially he is a member of Maccabees, Knights of the Gilden Eagle, Jr. O. U. A. M., and since 1896 is a member of the Pioneer Band. He is a Republican in politics and in 1910 was elected justice of the peace of South Allentown borough and also served as a delegate to different county conventions. He and his family are members of St. Mark's Lutheran church, in which church Mr. Bortz has served as a member of the choir since 1894.

In 1903 he was united in marriage with Catharine M. Kline, daughter of Nathan Kline, of Richmond township, Berks county, and their children are: Mae Erline, Harry Donald, and J. Homer.

Nathan Bortz, son of Henry, Jr., was a farmer in Lower Macungie, where he died, aged 68, and was buried at Trexlertown. He married Hettie Detweiler, who died at the age of 78 years.

ELIAS SOLOMON BORTZ, son of Nathan, a farmer and miller of Lower Macungie township

was born in Upper Macungie, Sept. 10, 1865. He was educated in the local schools and was employed on the farm until 26 years of age, when he lived for a time in Allentown. In 1893 he rented the old Riegel farm of 103 acres, owned by James J. Reinhard, located on the Little Lehigh river, which he has since conducted. In 1912 he rented the grist-mill nearby and still manages it. Mr. Bortz is one of the most enterprising farmers in this section and is a member with his family, of the Trexlertown Lutheran congregation, and a Republican in politics. He married, in 1893, Sarah, daughter of Henry Otto. They had nine children: Willis W., deceased; Minnie, Curtis, Werner, Helen, Berry, Victor, Alvin, and Willard.

David Bortz, son of Christopher, (1781-1865), born Nov. 20, 1807, was a miller in South Whitehall township. For a number of years he followed farming, but the greater part of his active career was spent in a mill near the almshouse on Cedar creek. He lived retired at Wescoesville, for a number of years before his death. He died May 1, 1873, and was buried at Western Salisbury church, of which he was a Lutheran member. His wife, Anna Maria Andreas, was born Oct. 20, 1811, and died Feb. 6, 1902. They had seven children: Caroline, married Henry Hinkel; Harry; Hettie, married Alfred Kemmerer; Frank; Matthias S.; Sarah A., married John Laross; and Elias, who died young.

MATTHIAS S. BORTZ was born in Macungie, Dec. 16, 1847. He spent his boyhood upon the farm, after which he learned the milling trade from Nathan Ebert, which he followed a number of years. He then spent a few years travelling through a number of western states, returning in 1877. In the same year he married Arabella Wenner, daughter of Charles and Judith (Gaumer) Wenner. They had six children: Alice P., married Oscar Moyer; Lizzie A., deceased, married (1st), Luther Fritch, and (2d) Irwin Herbert D.; Wm. C., of Allentown; Sadie E., married Harvin P. Mohr; and Annie M. S.

After his marriage he conducted a custom mill near the county home, until his death April 4, 1893, aged 44 years. After his death, the mill was conducted by his widow for two years, when she rented it, until the city bought Schantz's Spring, which closed the mills along Cedar creek. In 1913 the Bortz estate remodeled the mill property into dwelling houses. The mill was built in 1800, and the house about the same time. The property includes about 7 acres. Mr. Bortz was a member of the church of the Evangelical Association at Wescoesville, and served the congregation in various offices for many years.

#### DAVID S. BOSSLER.

David S. Bossler was born May 10, 1850, in Fayette county, Pa. He was a shoemaker for a number of years prior to his marriage, and later rented the farm of Richard Mohr, at Pleasant Hill, which he cultivated for fourteen years. He also engaged in farming at Quakertown, Centre Valley, and Coopersburg. In 1897 he purchased a farm in Upper Saucon township, which he conducted until his death. Mr. Bossler was a member and trustee of the Mennonite Church. In politics he was a Republican. He died Sept. 1, 1913.

He married, Aug. 2, 1873, Sarah Clauser, born Aug. 23, 1850, daughter of Nathan and Katie (Young) Clauser, of Fleetwood. They have the following children: Preston, born Aug. 9, 1875, m. Cora Meitzler, of Allentown; Ellen, born Oct. 6, 1878, m. Samuel Hartman, of Allentown; Allen, born Sept. 18, 1880, deceased; Alice, born Jan. 29, 1884, resides at home. Mrs. Bossler is a woman of culture and refinement and lives in Upper Saucon township, where her daughter resides with her.

Jacob Bossler, father of David, married Barbara Schelly. Their children were: a son, died in a hospital in the Civil War; David S.; Eliza, resides at Coopersburg; Rebecca, died aged 14 years. The grandfather of David was a carpet weaver and lived in Upper Saucon township.

#### BOWER FAMILY.

Charles G. Bower, born in 1793, in Germany, emigrated to the United States early in the nineteenth century. At the age of eighteen years he settled at Kern's now Slatington, Pa. Here he worked at the harness maker's trade, which he had learned in the Fatherland. He moved to Berlinsville, Northampton county, where he worked at the same trade until 1832, when he settled at Lehighon, and conducted the same business successfully up to the time of his death in 1861. His death was accidentally caused by a runaway horse. He was married to Elizabeth Wentz, a daughter of George Wentz, a native of Heidelberg township, Lehigh county. She was born in 1803, and died Feb. 13, 1899. They had eleven children, of whom eight attained years of maturity. They were: Harrison, of Lehighon; Elven, of Mauch Chunk; George, of Lehigh county; Nelson, of Darlington, Wisconsin, where he held the office of Sheriff and later postmaster; Franklin; Lucy, married to Reuben Hunsicker; Elizabeth, married to William Warner; Luzetta, married to Phaon Clauss.

George Bower was born at Lehighon, Dec. 3, 1832. He received his education in the pub-







Harry F. Bower



lic schools of Lehighton and the Binghamton College, of New York. When eighteen years of age he commenced to teach in the public schools. He taught at the following places: Mossersville, Saegerville, Schnecksville and Weissport. In 1858 he engaged in the meat business at Catasauqua. In 1880 he was elected Sheriff of Lehigh county, at which time he turned his meat business over to his sons. Besides holding the office of sheriff, he filled the following offices in the borough of Catasauqua: Burgess for one term, borough councilman for nine years and school director three years.

In 1851 Mr. Bower was married to Amelia D. Clauss, a daughter of Daniel Clauss, of Fogelsville. They were the parents of ten children, of whom nine attained to years of maturity, viz: C. D. W., mentioned later; Elmira E., wife of B. B. Linn; George W., of New York; Emma A., married to Jacob Applegate; Mamie M., married to J. D. Tillman, of New Jersey; Frank S.; Laura E., married to T. M. Jenkins; Annie M. and John M. They also reared an orphan child, Lizzie, now the wife of C. D. W. Bower.

C. D. W. BOWER, a son of George Bower, was born in Lehighton, Jan. 17, 1856. When three years of age his parents moved to Catasauqua, where he has resided since. After graduating from the high school in 1873, he learned the butcher trade with his father and in 1878 purchased the shop from his father. He was the first butcher in Catasauqua to open a meat market, and for some time conducted a very large business. In 1898, he was elected burgess of Catasauqua on the Democratic ticket in a strongly Republican town. Mr. Bower is prominently identified with the Masonic organization since 1881. He is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M., and was Master in 1887 and 1888. He was a charter member of Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278, Royal Arch Masons, which was instituted in 1883. Since 1888 he is a member of the New York Consistory. In the same year he also became a member of Lulu Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Philadelphia. In 1895 he was High Priest of Catasauqua chapter.

In 1885 he was married to Elizabeth Bradley, a native of Glasgow, Scotland. She was reared in the family of George Bower. She died Nov. years; Evan E.; Leonard G., died aged four years; Ruth and Helen died in infancy, and Elizabeth. Mr. Bower was married the second time in 1900 to Annie L. Peters, daughter of Richard Peters. Issue: Paul G.; Marie and Richard, twins; Harold W.; James W., and Elenor.

FRANKLIN BOWER, son of Charles G. and Elizabeth (Wentz) Bower, was born in Car-

bon county, May 7, 1839. For a number of years he and his brother George carried on the butcher business at Catasauqua. Later he conducted the business alone. In 1869 he located in Whitehall township and continued the business there. In 1879 he moved to Allentown, where he lived until his death Jan. 21, 1900. He had learned the saddler trade from his father but never followed it to any extent. He was an influential Democrat and was elected High Sheriff of Lehigh county in 1892, administering the office with marked ability and universal satisfaction. He lived retired for six years before he died. He and his family were members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and was a member of Porter Lodge, F. & A. M., of Catasauqua, for many years.

On August 6, 1865, he was married to Mary Case, a daughter of George and Susanna (Brader) Case. She was born June 29, 1847, and died April 6, 1880. They were the parents of the following children:

Annie E., born Nov. 3, 1865, married Lafayette Young. She died in August, 1912. She was 16 years old when her mother died and at that tender age assumed full responsibility of the house and did the work so well as to win the lasting gratitude of the entire family; Jennie S., born Dec. 18, 1866, married Irwin Heberling; Charles G., born August 11, 1868; Harry F., born March 25, 1870; Edward C., born Feb. 21, 1872; William F., born Dec. 18, 1873; Elwen P., born Aug. 29, 1875; Robert H., born Sept. 1, 1877.

Of the above children all were born in Whitehall township except two, Mrs. Heberling and Charles G., who were born at Catasauqua.

Charles G. Bower, the oldest son of Franklin, was born August 11, 1868, at Catasauqua. He attended school at Pleasant Hill, now West Catasauqua. In 1879 he came to Allentown and for a time afterward worked upon the farm for Edwin Lichtenwalner and for nearly thirty years was employed by the C. A. Dorney Furniture Company, and for two years was employed by the Kurtz Furniture Company. In 1913 he moved upon a small farm in Washington township, where he follows truck farming.

In 1887 he married Annie Burley, a daughter of Thomas Burley, an Englishman. They have a daughter, Mary, married to Bert Meyers; Frank and Elvin. Another son, Lawson, died aged two years.

HARRY F. BOWER, the High Sheriff of Lehigh county, was born March 25, 1870, in Whitehall township, and is the fourth child and second oldest son of Franklin Bower. He received his education in the public schools of Whitehall town-

ship and in Allentown, to which place his parents moved in 1879. As a boy he worked in the brick yards, and in 1884 he learned typesetting under Haines and Ruhe, of the *Allentown Democrat*. For four years he was a ribbon weaver, after which he became deputy sheriff of Lehigh county under his father. For nine years he was motor-man for the Lehigh Valley Traction Company, resigning this position to enter the employ of the Prudential Insurance Company, with which he remained until he assumed the duties of Sheriff of Lehigh county, to which office he was elected Nov. 7, 1911, having received a majority of 3,500 votes cast over his Republican opponent. In October, 1891, he became a member of the National Guard as a private of Co. B, Fourth Regiment, under Captain James L. Schaadt. In 1895 he was promoted to Regimental Commissary Sergeant, and upon the outbreak of the Spanish-American War he was appointed Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant, which commission he served until he was mustered out of service Nov. 16, 1898. Mr. Bower holds membership in the following organizations: Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M.; Allen Camp, No. 6, Sons of Veterans; Carrol Council, No. 170, O. U. A. M.; Alton Castle, No. 149, K. of M. C.; Constantine Lodge, No. 1113, I. O. O. F.; Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; Order of Buffaloes, Herd No. 6; Spanish-American War Veterans; Pioneer Fire Company; Lehigh Democratic Club.

In 1895, Mr. Bower was married to Ella V. Moyer, a daughter of Jesse Moyer, of Rockdale, Pa. They are members of the Trinity United Evangelical church, Allentown.

Edward C. Bower, the third son of Franklin, was born Feb. 21, 1872, in Whitehall. He attended school at Fullerton and Allentown; worked in the brick yard when a young man, later in the Adelaide Silk Mill for about twenty-five years; was appointed a mounted police officer of the Fourteenth ward in April, 1912, and served until his death, Sept. 19, 1913, at the St. Luke's Hospital, Bethlehem. He was married to Ida Brong, and had five children, two of whom died small. The widow and the following three children survive: Mabel, married to Lester Arbogast; Lucy and Irwin.

WILLIAM F. BOWER, alderman of Allentown, was born in Whitehall township, Dec. 18, 1873. At an early age he entered the employ of the American Steel and Wire Company, and worked for this company fourteen years. Mr. Bower is a stalwart Democrat; has served as county committeeman of his district for a number of years; has served one term as common councilman; was for three years a police patrolman in Allentown

under Mayor James L. Schaadt, and for two years was Chief of Police under Mayor Alfred J. Yost, when he resigned to accept the commission of alderman of the Second ward, to which office he was elected in May, 1907, and in 1913, was re-elected without opposition receiving the endorsement of both the Republican and Democratic party. He has a suite of rooms on the second floor in the B. & B. building. He is a member of the following organizations:

The Lehigh Democratic Club; the Pioneer Fire Company; the Pioneer Band; Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Camp No. 6, Sons of Veterans, and Spanish-American War Veterans. He served as corporal of Co. B, Fourth Regiment, at Porto Rico. Mr. Bower is a tall, well built man, and in his early years was popular in athletic circles, having held the championship in boxing in the Lehigh Valley for some years. He was especially well known among the sporting element in the army, which almost idolized him. He had fought a draw with Patty Sheen, and fought Daniel M. Date in four rounds. He and his family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church of Allentown. He is also a member of the Y. M. C. A.

In 1893 he was married to Kate L. Kehm, a daughter of Jacob and Maria (Derr) Kehm. This union was blessed with the following children. Helen M., married to Frank Molitore, a professional baseball player; Esther L. and William L.

Elven P. Bower was employed for a number of years with the Ebbecke Hardware Company, and is now a clerk with the M. S. Young Hardware Company. He is married to Amanda —. No issue.

Robert H. Bower is a ribbon weaver at Allentown. He is married to Annie Wieder. They have a son Paul and another who died in infancy.

Jennie S. Bower is the wife of Irwin Heberling. They have these children: Mabel, a public school teacher; Frank, a clerk at the Terminal Depot; Florence, at home; Lucy, a public school teacher; and William, a student.

#### BOWEN FAMILY.

John Bowen was for many years one of the most prominent residents of Allentown, Pa. He was closely identified with the development of the city. At his death, Jan. 12, 1902, he left behind him an unstained record and an honorable heritage to his family. He was born Sept. 12, 1838, in Whitney, Herefordshire, England. He received common school education, and came to America with his father, John, in 1850, and settled at Mauch Chunk, Pa., where the father





*Wm. P. Bower*





was a teacher for two years when he returned to England.

The son located in Lowhill township, Lehigh county, and there worked on a farm; taught school, etc., and when 20 years of age decided to migrate to California. He travelled from Allentown to Pittsburgh and from there by boat and rail to Kansas City, Mo., being accompanied by Capt. Creitz, a native of Lynn; then became

In 1865 Mr. Bowen returned to Allentown, Pa., via Panama. He soon formed a partnership with Charles Christman, in the cattle business. In 1868 they established in a small way, a grocery store on Hamilton street, and after the death of Mr. Christman he had various partners, always under the name of John Bowen and Company. In 1888, he purchased the Hagenbuch Opera House and conducted there a gro-



JOHN BOWEN.

a driver of an ox team, conveying government supplies to the United States Army posts at Salt Lake City, being three months on the journey, and suffered great hardships en route. After undergoing many privations he reached his destination. After various up-hill experiences he prospected for gold and silver in Idaho, Montana, California, and other states, and many were the escapes from being killed by Indians having been attacked four times.

cery store alone, from that period until his death in 1902.

He made many improvements to the store and it became the leading store of its kind in the city. He erected and sold about 100 houses in the West End; was one of the organizers of the Lehigh Valley Trust and Safe Deposit Company, becoming a director, and in 1898 he was elected its vice president; was a trustee of the Presbyterian church, and also of the Y. M. C.

A. He made several trips to England, the last one in 1881 when he brought his mother and brothers—Thomas, William, of Akron, Ohio, and Arthur P., also his sister, Elizabeth and family, back with him. His mother died in Lorraine, Ohio, in October, 1895.

Mr. Bowen married Emmeline Klein, daughter of Joseph and Anna (Wetherhold) Klein, the former named was a son of Jacob and Susanna (Gross) Klein and the latter a daughter of Joseph Wetherhold, who was married three times.

Joseph Klein, father of Mrs. Bowen, was born in Lowhill township, Lehigh county, Pa. He attended the public schools and completed his education at a private school in New Jersey. He then assisted his father in his grist mill, where he learned the trade of miller.

He had an inventive mind. He secured patents on articles of value, among which were a machine for cleaning grain and a washing machine. In later life he removed to Allentown and established a general repair shop, and worked until he was nearly 88 years old.

He was a member of the Lutheran church and in politics was a Whig, later a Republican. Their children were: Emeline (Mrs. John Bowen), Maria, who married Henry Faust; and Henry A.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowen were the parents of seven children, all deceased but two: (1) James Klein Bowen, born Jan. 3, 1871. He was educated in the public schools, Muhlenberg College, and took a course of law in the University of Pennsylvania; was admitted to the Philadelphia bar in 1897, and soon after he came to Allentown and was admitted to the Lehigh county bar. Here he practiced his profession until his father's death, when he assumed the management of his father's business. He is now the owner of the John Bowen Grocery Co., which operates four stores, one wholesale and three retail stores, located at Allentown, Bethlehem, South Bethlehem and Catasauqua. He is also the treasurer of the Allentown Bobbin works.

He married Letitia Barnes, daughter of Avon and Anna (Washburn) Barnes. Issue: Elizabeth and Marian.

2. Sallie Bowen, born in Allentown, Pa., married Rev. Milton U. Reinhard, whose history appears elsewhere in this work. Their children are: John, born Jan. 30, 1902 and Hannah B., born Sept. 6, 1904.

Mrs. Emeline Bowen, widow of John Bowen, resides at 921 Hamilton street, Allentown, which was the homestead of Joseph Kline and he occupied it for 45 years. She is an estimable lady of pleasing personality.

#### BAUMAN OR BOWMAN FAMILY.

John Dieter Bauman, the ancestor of this family in America, was a native of Germany and arrived at Philadelphia on October 2, 1727. He first settled in Marlboro township, Philadelphia county, where he secured 200 acres of land and owned and operated a grist-mill. In the year 1751 his name, with that of his wife, Eva Elizabeth, appears as sponsor at the baptism of a son of George Klein, in Lower Milford township. About 1755, he removed beyond the Blue mountains, to Northampton county, to what is now Lower Towamensing township, Carbon county. Here he cleared a tract of land and lived until his death in 1762, leaving a widow and four children: Bernard, Henry, Mary, and Sabilla.

Henry Bauman, son of John Dieter and Eva Elizabeth Bauman, was born Sept. 29, 1751. He followed farming and lumbering and lived in a large stone house which he built two miles north of Lehigh Gap, near the Towamensing church, and which is still standing. His family was occasionally threatened by the Indians, and in one instance Mr. Bauman sent his wife and children to a place near Easton for safety, while he remained alone in the wilderness. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He died Nov. 27, 1824. Mr. Bauman married Catharine Dreisbach, who was born March 5, 1754, and died August 28, 1825. They had four children: John Dieter, Henry, Anna Mary, and Susanna B.

Henry Bauman, son of Henry and Catharine (Dreisbach) Bauman, settled at what was known as Hassertville, where he died at the age of ninety-two years. He married Miss Kuntz and had ten children: Daniel, Adam, William, Joseph, Sarah, wife of Reuben Hagenbuch, of Lehighon; Susanna, wife of a tavern-keeper, near Kresgeville, named Berlin; Mrs. Butler, of Nesquehoning; Rachel, wife of Jonathan Haintz, of East Penn; Mary, wife of August Lehr; and Rebecca, wife of Dr. Yarrington, of Easton.

Anna Mary Bauman was born Feb. 4, 1776, and died March 28, 1864. She married Jacob Snyder, who owned a mill on the Aquashicola creek. He died in 1813. Their children were: Mary C., wife of John Kuntz; Daniel; Jacob; John; Stephen; Simon; and Solomon Snyder.

Susanna B. Bauman was born Oct. 27, 1768 and died March 28, 1842. She married Christopher Kern and had nine children.

John Dieter Bauman, eldest son of Henry and Catharine (Dreisbach) Bauman, was born about 1772. He was reared upon the farm and became a farmer and lumberman, while, like his father and grandfather, he spent much time in hunting and trapping. In 1796 he settled where Bow-







BISHOP THOMAS BOWMAN, D.D.



manstown now stands, where he built a log dwelling. He also owned and operated a grist-mill on the west bank of the Lehigh below the chain bridge, the water power for which was cut off by the building of the canal.

In 1808 he built a large and substantial stone house and, obtaining a license, conducted it as a hotel until his decease. This hotel was on the line of the old turnpike leading from Berwick to Easton, and it was a stopping place for travellers on that highway. He was a commissioner of Carbon county for three years and an active, enterprising, and leading man of his county. He was interested in giving his children a liberal education and all were sent to institutions of higher education. He died in 1853. He married, on May 17, 1796, Margaret Newhard, born Sept. 2, 1779, the daughter of Peter Newhard and his second wife, Catharine Miller. They had twelve children, all of whom married and attained mature years: Kate, who married Jonas Peter, of Heidelberg; Jacob; John; Susanna, who married Jonas Andreas, of East Penn township; Jonas; David; Sarah, who married Daniel Keiper, of Allentown; Peter; Henry; Rebecca; Dennis, and Josiah.

Jacob Bowman, the eldest son of John Dieter, was born March 28, 1799, in Towamensing township. He was reared upon the farm and received a liberal education as an equipment for a useful career. He became at first a merchant, conducting a general store for many years in the lower end of Lehigh Gap. He sold out in 1844 and removed to Lower Towamensing township, where he conducted a farm, grist-mill and general store. He was an enterprising man and was one of several who kept up a summer school for the benefit of their community. He was an old-line Whig, and later a Republican, and was a member, trustee, and class leader of the Evangelical Church. He died Oct. 17, 1877, and was interred at Snyder's church. He married, June 9, 1829, Elizabeth Weiss, born Dec. 5, 1808, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Solt) Weiss, and grand-daughter of Col. Jacob Weiss, a revolutionary officer. Mrs. Bowman died in 1883. They had ten children, three who died in infancy, and Amelia, wife of Cornelius Snyder; Eliza, wife of John Seem; Sarah, wife of Judge Levi Wentz; Bishop Thomas Bowman, D.D.; James; Ellen, wife of Perry Wannamacher; and Wesley W. Bowman.

BIOGRAPHY OF BISHOP THOMAS BOWMAN,  
D.D.

*By Rev. James L. Tonkin.*

Bishop Thomas Bowman, D.D., son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Weiss) Bowman, was born in

Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pa., May 28, 1836. He was the fourth child and the first son born to the family. Very early in life he took a great liking to books, and realizing the value of an education, immediately set out to acquire that mental culture, so essential to a successful public career. Being a hard worker and an apt student, he soon finished the work in the common schools, and was sent to an academy at Easton, Pa., where he completed his course with honor both to himself and the parents who had placed so much confidence in him, and had so largely guided his principles, conduct, and habits.

Upon the completion of his course at school he entered the employ of his father, serving as a clerk, in a store at Aquashicola, Carbon county, Pa. After serving in this capacity for a few years, being diligent in his work and showing so many good business traits, at the early age of 20, he took complete control of his father's mercantile business, and continued it with success until he entered the ministry.

On April 26, 1856, he was married to Diana Young, daughter of Joseph and Rebecca (Wentz) Young, which union was blessed with one daughter, Tillie Louise. Mrs. Bowman came from a prominent Northampton county family. Her father was treasurer of Northampton county in 1856.

Bishop Thomas Bowman was reared in a Christian home. His parents were devoted and faithful members of the Evangelical Association for many years. At the age of 18 he was soundly converted to God in a revival meeting held at Weissport, Pa., and about one week later was received into the church by the Rev. Christian Mayers, one of the pioneer preachers of the Evangelical Association. In his church activities, as well as in his business, he put himself into the work, and it was not long before the people discovered that he was possessed of extraordinary talent and ability and his rise in the church was almost phenomenal. He served as Sunday school superintendent and class leader for a number of years. In those days the preacher had large circuits, and one evening the regular pastor failed to fill his appointment, the congregation insisted that Mr. Bowman should occupy the pulpit that evening. He reluctantly consented to preach. Afterward the people urged him to accept the call to the Christian ministry, which came to him so forcibly that he could not reject it. He had been engaged in a lucrative business, with bright prospects of making a fortune, and at the same time, had been offered an annual salary of several thousand dollars to represent a Philadelphia firm, he sacrificed all these business prospects and entered the ministry in the East Pennsylvania Confer-

ence of the Evangelical Association, at a salary of \$100 a year, to work for the good of man and the glory of God. His recommendation for license to preach was secured by his pastor, the Rev. John Schell, and he was licensed to preach at the twentieth session of the East Pennsylvania Conference, held at Lancaster, Pa., April 9, 1859, and was stationed on Lehigh Circuit, including what is now known as Lehigh, Bucks, and Northampton counties. On this circuit there were about fifteen appointments, or preaching places, he traveled this circuit faithfully for one year, meeting with great success, hundreds of people were converted and added to the church during the year.

This was the beginning of the ministry and church activities of a man who became one of the great minds and historic centers in the annals of the Evangelical Association.

At the next annual session of conference he was stationed on Northampton Circuit, this circuit embraced the territory between the Blue mountains and Easton, Pa., and between the Lehigh and Delaware rivers. After two years of faithful service on this charge the membership was doubled. His next appointment was in the city of Allentown, where he served as pastor of the Linden Street church, and the Mingo Mission, now known as Emmanuel church, in the First ward. It was during his pastorate here that the Civil War broke out, and he took a firm stand against slavery and in favor of the federal government. In so doing he made some enemies but he also made hosts of friends. His sermons on the subject of slavery were pungent, and his church was crowded to the door almost an hour before the appointed time for preaching. On one occasion the church was too small to hold the vast crowd that had come to hear him. He came out of the church and using the steps in front of the church as a pulpit, thousands congregated on the street and listened to the sound logic and oratory of this man who denounced the detestable traffic in human beings. Several of his sermons, on this subject, were published in the *Lehigh Patriot*. To show the love and esteem in which he was held by the citizens of Allentown, it was announced that a special offering would be received for him at an evening service, and notwithstanding the money stringency of the time there were contributed 117 one-dollar bills by persons who were not members of his church. Some wonderful revival meetings were held in the Linden Street church resulting in the conversion of many of the best people in the city, and during his pastorate the membership was trebled.

His next appointment was Reading, which

was then a mission, consisting of 35 members. This was an unusually hard field, but instead of being discouraged he went about his work in a cheertful and optimistic way and at the end of two years, he had completely renovated the church, increased the membership to 150 and the charge was changed from a mission to a station.

From Reading he was sent to Pine Grove, Schuylkill county, Pa., and served this appointment for two years, after which he was sent to Philadelphia, where he met with extraordinary success. He conducted revival meetings which resulted in the conversion of a large number of people. The congregation did not have a church edifice of its own but rented a place for worship. During his pastorate he collected over \$12,000 toward the erection of a new church. From Philadelphia he was sent to Schuylkill Haven.

It became evident that a man of his ability would not remain in the pastorate very long, and at the close of his first year's work at Schuylkill Haven, he was elected presiding elder and stationed on Pottsville District. During his first year on this district, at Hamburg, Pa., he conducted the most remarkable and most successful camp-meeting in the history of the church; almost two hundred souls were converted and that many tents were pitched and occupied. At the end of the four-year term he was re-elected and stationed on the Easton District. He not only looked after the church interests on this district but started work in New Jersey and in New York City.

Because of his successful efforts as a minister and his administrative abilities the church called him to a higher sphere of usefulness. At the General Conference held at Philadelphia, in October, 1875, he was elected to the Episcopacy, which he has served longer than any other man in the history of the church. During his incumbency he has presided at all of the conferences in the United States and Canada. He has made eight Episcopal visits to the European Conferences, which cover Germany, Switzerland, and Russia. In 1881 he was elected a delegate to the first Ecumenical Council of all the Protestant religious bodies of the world, held in London, England. In 1892 he visited Japan and inspected the work of the church in that country. He has been a member of the General Board of Missions of his church uninterruptedly since 1871; he has been a member of the Board of Publication since 1872, and was president of the board for ten years; he has been a member of every General Conference of the church since 1867. He served very efficiently as president of Northwestern College, located at Naperville,



Ill., for a number of years. He has been president of the board of trustees of that institution since 1888: he was principal of the Theological seminary located at Naperville, Ill., for 18 years and since 1908 has been principal emeritus. He was also elected chairman of the commissions appointed by the Evangelical Association and the United Evangelical Church to form a basis of union for the re-union of the two churches, and he has consistently labored for the accomplishment of this desired end.

Bishop Bowman possesses a strong personality, is of medium height, heavy set, has a full developed chest, silvery hair, a kind face and an open countenance. His gracious and dignified bearing, his frankness of mind, and his well-balanced temperament, amidst the tempestuous experiences through which he has passed, are strong characteristics of this man. He has established principles and firm opinions, but he has a like respect for the claims of others. He is a leader among men, and his well-defined plans and purposes have made him a great central figure and personage in the history of the church in which he has been an active, and honored member for nearly three score years.

WESLEY W. BOWMAN, of Slatington, was born at Miliport, Carbon county, April 7, 1849. At an early age he followed a clerical pursuit, and at the age of fifteen years he entered Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport; from there he attended Freeland Seminary, finishing his education at the Fort Edward Collegiate Institute, Fort Edward, N. Y., at the age of 26 years he was elected as the cashier of the First National Bank, of Lehigh, organized in 1875.

He served the above responsible position until 1888, at which time he removed to Slatington to engage in the slate business with his father-in-law, Henry Kuntz. They operated the famous Franklin quarry, which is the original, largest, and best developed quarry in the entire slate region. In addition they also operated a number of other successful quarries about Slatington, employing large forces of men. They also operated three blackboard factories, which, for some years, were the largest in the community.

Mr. Bowman retired in 1905, and resides on Lower Main street, in Slatington. He and family have been active members of the St. Paul's Evangelical Association. Mr. Bowman having served it in all its offices.

On June 15, 1871, he was married by his brother, Bishop Thomas Bowman, to Zenia F. Kuntz, and their children are:

Prof. Charles B., who married to Lucretia Kuske, and resides at Naperville, Ill.; and Ray-

mond K., married to Miriam Breyfogel. They reside at Reading, Pa.

John, second son of John Dieter, lived at Paryville, and married Sarah Dinkey.

Jonas, the third son, lived at Mahanoy City, and married Catharine, daughter of John Kuntz.

David, the fourth son, lived at Mahanoy City, and married Susan, daughter of John Lentz, a hotel keeper of Mauch Chunk.

Peter Bowman, fifth son of John Dieter, and his twin brother, Henry, were born July 10, 1814, at the old homestead. He attended school every winter for three months and later learned the carpenter trade. He was elected the first treasurer of Carbon county in 1844, and in 1847 and 1848 represented Lehigh and Carbon counties in the legislature. He became a contractor and builder of railroads, collieries, street railways, and mine-slopes, and later a prospector and coal operator. He was also engaged in the mercantile business at Tamaqua in 1849. In 1862 he removed to Mahanoy City, where he died, Dec. 4, 1901. He married, Jan. 16, 1840, Polly, daughter of Conrad Romich, of Hanover township, Luzerne county, who was born Oct. 3, 1820, and died May 6, 1866. Their children were: Isabelle, Milton, Mark D., Robert J., and Mary.

Isabelle Bowman married Daniel D. Dillman, a prominent lawyer of Schuylkill county. She was a musician and artist of ability, one of her oil paintings having been on exhibition at the New Orleans Exposition. *Augusta A. Dillman*, daughter of Daniel D. and Isabelle Dillman, graduated from the West Chester State Normal school and was for a number of years a teacher in the grammar grades of the schools of Mahanoy City. She is a Chataqua graduate, class of '98, a member of Liberty Bell chapter, Daughters of the Revolution, of Philadelphia, and is historian of the Bowman and Dillman families. She married Thomas L. Thomas, a wholesale grocer of Mahanoy City, and has two children: Muriel Isabel and Vivian Mary Thomas.

Walter D. Dillman, son of Daniel, formerly with the Lehigh Valley Engineer Corps at Sayre, Buffalo, Rochester, and Mauch Chunk, and the Harbison-Walker Co., of Pittsburgh, is a civil and mining engineer at Altoona, Pa.

Milton M. Bowman (1843-1903), was an active, enterprising, citizen of Mahanoy City, at one time its mayor, and engaged in extensive coal operations with his father. Later he was employed at the Duquesne Steel Works. He married Miss Emma Hoffman, of Reading.

Mark D. Bowman (1844-1902), was superintendent of several coal operations and had charge

of the construction of various collieries. He was also surveyor for the boroughs of Mahanoy City and Shenandoah.

Robert J. Bowman (1849-1913), associated with his brother, Mark, in the engineering business and was mayor of Mahanoy City for a term.

Mary Bowman, daughter of Peter, married George F. Silliman, of Altoona, and has a daughter, Dorothea.

Lynn E. Bowman, editor of the Lorain, Ohio, *Times-Herald*, is a grandson of Peter Bowman, and has children, Paul, Virginia, and Priscilla.

Henry, twin brother of Peter Bowman, lived at the old homestead. He was a carpenter, was interested in coal operations and became the inventor of metallic paint. He married Lavinia Peters, and died at the age of seventy-five years.

Rebecca Bowman, youngest daughter of John Dieter, was born Oct. 10, 1816, and died Jan. 24, 1903. She married James Dinkey, who was born Feb. 3, 1817, and died May 6, 1876. They resided at Easton.

Dennis Bauman, son of John Dieter and Margaret (Newhard) Bauman, was born April 10, 1819, at Bowmanstown, then a part of Northampton county. He assisted his father at an early age, upon the farm, and received his educational equipment as then afforded by the common school and later attended for two successive winters a boarding school in Bucks county. He then mastered the art of a surveyor, making this vocation his principal occupation for nine years, being appointed also as deputy surveyor of Carbon county by Gov. Shunk. From 1849 he served six years as prothonotary and was then chosen as one of the associate judges of the county, serving for five years. About 1855 he became a member of the firm of Bauman Brothers & Co., which established and operated an anthracite blast furnace at Parryville, Pa. In 1857, the Carbon Iron Co. was organized and incorporated. Mr. Bauman served as its president from 1857 to 1876, when the great financial panic forced the closing down of the industry, the Carbon Iron & Pipe Co. succeeding to the property. After this time Mr. Bauman attended to his private interests. He became connected with the Carbon Metallic Paint Co., and the First National Bank of Lehigh, and was a director for upwards of twenty-five years and for a time its vice-president. He was the first chief burgess of Parryville, when that town was created a borough, which position he held for several terms. He became a member of Mauch Chunk Lodge of I. O. O. F. in 1849. He has been an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a loyal Sunday school supporter since

1858, and has filled many offices of honor and trust in these organizations. He is a grand old man, and is now, in his 96th year, living in retirement at Allentown.

Mr. Bauman married Mary, a daughter of Henry Kress, a farmer, who resided near Cherryville, Pa. They had five children, namely: George; Elizabeth, married to James B. Deshler, Esq., of Allentown; James M.; Albert L.; and Robert H., who served as commissioner of Carbon county, and is now a retired citizen of Allentown.

Josiah Bowman, the youngest son of John Dieter and Margaret (Newhard) Bowman, was born at Bowmans, May 4, 1826. His early occupation was that of a farmer and contractor and he was also connected with the paint mills, for which he hauled merchandise. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, in which he served as deacon and elder, and was also poor director of Carbon county. He died in September, 1900. His wife was Louisa, daughter of Ferdinand Berkemeyer. They had these children: Alvin H.; Penn; Henrietta, who married Lewis Balliet, and has a son, John; Margaret, who married Abel Boyer, of Slatington; and Lillie, who married Harry Aaron, deceased.

ALVIN H. BOWMAN, a stock and bond broker of Allentown, son of Josiah, was born at Bowman's, Carbon county, Jan. 16, 1870. He received his early education in the public schools and later attended the Allentown Business College. He located in Allentown in 1888 and entered the employ of William H. Ainey; then occupied a position as clerk for the Lehigh and Coplay Iron Co. for one year, and later located at Bethlehem, where he was employed as a silk weaver, continuing there until 1893, when he engaged in the retail provision business. The ensuing year he returned to Bowman's and was employed as a clerk in the general store of his brother, Penn, and in 1900 again located at Allentown and entered the employ of Pascoe and Crilly, for whom he secured the right of way for the trolley line from Mauch Chunk to Lehigh. He again returned to his trade and in 1902 entered upon his present business with offices in the Allentown National Bank building.

He was granted a patent on "penny in the slot" chewing-gum machines, on Sept. 21, 1912, which were specially devised for vending chewing gum on trolley cars. In order to promote his interest in the machines, he organized and incorporated the National Automatic Sales Company under a New Jersey charter. Mr. Bowman is president, and E. W. Rick, secretary and treasurer, of the company. Mr. Bowman is a member of the F. O. E. and K. G. E. He married, in 1891, Sallie H., daugh-



ter of Charles D. and Annie (Eddinger) Deshler, of Allentown. They have no children.

Penn Bowman, son of Josiah, was born in Carbon county, May 21, 1864. He was engaged in the general store business at Bowman's from 1889 to 1904, and later operated a planing mill and was a builder at Bowman's. In 1912, he removed to Allentown and became connected with the National Automatic Sales Company. He is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Bowman married Miss Agnes M., daughter of Edward and Mary (Boyer) Boyer, of Aquashicola, Carbon county, Pa.

John Bowman was a farmer and lived in Saucon township, Lehigh county. He was a member of the Lutheran church and was buried at "Blue" church. His wife was a Miss Geisinger, who also was buried at "Blue" church. Their children were: Jacob H., who died at Allentown and is buried on Union Cemetery; Charles, who lived at Bowman's Crossing, Salisbury township, died in 1912, at the age of 82 years, and is buried in South Allentown; and Mary, who married James Sutton and resides in South Bethlehem.

Jacob H. Bowman, son of John Bowman, was born in Saucon township, March 27, 1826, died at Allentown, November 3, 1868, and was buried in Union Cemetery. He was a miller by trade and became a soldier in the Civil War. He was in the commissary department and served three years in the 47th Regiment, Company G., Pennsylvania Volunteers. His wife was Lavinia Diehl, daughter of John and Maria (Groman) Diehl. She was born August 27, 1826, and died June 5, 1893, and was buried in Union Cemetery. Their children were: John O., Esq., of Philadelphia; Mary E., who married Charles W. Kline and resides in South Allentown; Josephine, who married Prof. C. F. Herman, deceased, and resides in Allentown; Jacob H.; and William, of Philadelphia.

JACOB H. BOWMAN, of Allentown, dealer in cement and limestone properties, was born in Allentown, August 21, 1857. He learned the plumbing trade when sixteen years old and continued at his trade in Allentown for ten years, and then engaged in real estate. In 1904 he became the organizer of the Allentown Portland Cement Company at Evansville, Pa., where through the supervision and direction of Mr. Bowman, an industry was established, at a cost of \$2,000,000. The firm employs 500 men. Mr. Bowman served as director, secretary, and treasurer of the company.

Mr. Bowman is a member of William G. Hamilton Lodge, No. 500, F. & A. M., Phila.; T. B. Freeman Chapter, No. 243, R. A. M.,

Mary Commandery No. 36, K. T., and a member and director of Lulu Temple, Philadelphia, A. A. O. N. M. S.

He is a member of the Lutheran Church. In 1885 he married Emma T. Hartman, daughter of Joseph Hartman, of Allentown. They had two children, one son and one daughter, both deceased.

#### HORACE BOYD.

Horace Boyd the former general superintendent of the Thomas Iron Company was born at Catasauqua, August 31, 1862. He is a son of Alexander R. Boyd and grandson of Copeland Boyd, of Goshenhoppen, Montgomery county. Alexander R. Boyd was born in Goshenhoppen in the year 1826 and was engaged in the manufacturing of paper at Bethlehem until after the great flood, when he accepted a clerkship with the Crane Iron Company and continued in their employ for a period of twenty-five years. After leaving the Crane Company he became the treasurer for the Chestnut Hill Iron Company at Columbia, Lancaster county, Pa., in whose employ he continued until 1880; when he removed from Columbia to Hellertown and was employed by the Thomas Iron Company as accountant, in which capacity he continued until the time of his death. His remains lie buried at Bethlehem. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. While residing at Catasauqua he served as borough treasurer for a number of years. In politics he was a staunch Republican. He was married to Mary Fuehrer, a daughter of Henry Fuehrer who survives him and resides at Easton. He had three children; Ellen, the wife of Edwin Thomas; Horace; and Mary L., married to Edward H. Tait, of Easton.

Horace Boyd received his early training in the schools of Catasauqua. He removed with his parents to Columbia where he was engaged in the iron business from whence he went with his parents to Hellertown where he became the superintendent of the Saucon furnace and continued until Oct. 1, 1890, when he resigned. He was reappointed superintendent and on March 3, 1903, was transferred to Hokendauqua and was made manager. In 1908 he became the general superintendent of the Thomas Iron Company, and continued in that position until in 1913. He now resides at Easton, Pa.

Mr. Boyd was married October 18, 1887, to Emma E. Diehl, a daughter of Joseph and Mary (Weaver) Diehl, of Hellertown, Pa. They have one child, Marion E.

Mr. Boyd is a Republican in politics, a member of the First Presbyterian Church, and of Porter Lodge No. 284, F. and A. M.

## MARTIN H. BOYÈ.

Martin H. Boyè, M.D., was born at Copenhagen, Denmark, Dec. 6, 1812, when Frederick VI was king. His father was a chemist and superintendent of a large pharmaceutical establishment, and was superintendent of the Royal Porcelain Manufactory at Copenhagen. In 1831, he was admitted to the University of Copenhagen, where he passed with distinction the Philological and philosophical examinations. He afterward entered the Polytechnic School, studying analytical chemistry and physics under Oersted, Zeise and Fodchhammer, and he graduated from that institution in 1835.

In 1836 he came to New York, where he remained till 1837, when he removed to Philadelphia, and attended the lectures of Dr. Robert Hare, professor of chemistry in the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, assisting him also in his laboratory. In connection with Dr. Forman Leaming, he translated into English several essays of Belles-lettres on chemical subjects. In 1838, he was appointed assistant geologist and chemist in the first geological survey of Pennsylvania under Prof. Henry D. Rodgers, whom he accompanied on a tour of investigation through the anthracite coal regions. On this trip the party was joined by the noted Canadian, Dr. Pappenheim. At Mauch Chunk they were conducted to the "Summit Mines" by David Thomas, who had not long before arrived from Wales to start and superintend the smelting of iron by anthracite coal. Mr. Boyè had subsequently assigned to him the exploration of the South mountains or Lehigh hills, which as a continuation of the New Jersey highlands, extend from Easton to Reading through the counties of Northampton, Lehigh and Berks, and the mapping down of the boundary lines of the different geological formations of which they consist and with which they are in contact. This work was in part performed during the intense political excitement attending the gubernatorial contest between Ritner and Porter in these counties, particularly in Berks.

Young Boyè was thrown into close relations with the distinguished scientific family of Rodgers. In 1839 and 1840 he was associated with Robert E. and James B. Rodgers in analyzing limestone, coal, iron ores, etc., for the geological survey, as published in the reports. While engaged in these analyses he discovered in connection with Prof. Henry D. Rodgers, a new compound of platinum chloride with nitric oxide, which was reported to the American Philosophical Society, and in January, 1840, he was elected to membership in that society, being at that time the youngest member of the society.

A few months later, in April, 1840, about a score of scientists met at Philadelphia and organized the American Association of Geologists, subsequently re-named the American Association of Geologists and Naturalists, out of which in 1848, was formed the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The importance of this movement can hardly be over-estimated, as the American Association has always been true to its name, a powerful factor in advancing science.

This initial meeting in 1840 is, therefore, one of especial interest to scientists. Of that little company who met at Philadelphia, young Boyè, then only 27 years old, was probably the youngest; Edward Hitchcock, of Amherst, was president; and Lewis C. Beck, of Albany, secretary of the association. No official record of the first members can be found, but the recollection of the survivors gives the following additional names: Prof. Vanuxem, Henry D. Rodgers, Conrad, Charles B. Trego and Alexander McKinley, of Pennsylvania; Emmons and Mather, of New York; James C. Booth, of Delaware; Dr. Hayden, of Virginia; and probably Prof. Johnson, of Philadelphia. The list was prepared by Bela Hubbard a few months before his death and revised by Dr. Boyè.

In the summer of the same year, Mr. Boyè, in connection with J. J. Clark Hare, discovered the first violent explosives, perchloric ether, which he proved was ten times as powerful as gunpowder. He also found a remedy against its unexpected explosion by dilution with alcohol. He was thus in an important sense a pioneer in the vast field of smokeless gunpowder, which has since been so diligently investigated. In the summer of 1841, he resumed field work, examining the bituminous coal regions along the Kiskimetas and Allegheny rivers and Beaver creek.

In 1842-44 he attended the regular course of medical lectures at the University of Pennsylvania, at the same time conducting a chemical laboratory in connection with Prof. James C. Booth, and wrote for Booth's Chemical Encyclopedia the article on "Analysis," and others, and performed many scientific analyses. In connection with Prof. Booth, he read a paper on "The Conversion of Benzoic into Hippuric Acid," at the one hundredth anniversary of the American Philosophical Society. In 1844, Mr. Boyè graduated at the University of Pennsylvania as a doctor of medicine, but he never practiced that profession. At the same time the collegiate department of the university conferred on him the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

In 1845, Dr. Boyè was elected professor of natural philosophy and chemistry in the Central high school, of Philadelphia, and held this posi-



tion till February, 1859. Of his work at this time, one of his pupils, later president of Lehigh University, Dr. Thomas M. Drown, wrote that Dr. Boyè first inspired in him a love of chemistry. During this period Dr. Boyè wrote a treatise on "Pneumatics or the Physics of Gases" (published 1859; also a small introductory treatise on Chemistry, or the Physics of Atoms"); he also delivered many public lectures.

The extraction of oil from cotton seed had already been undertaken, but the product was almost black and very thick. In 1845, he invented a process of refining, which produced a bland and colorless oil adapted for cooking or for salad dressing. Toilet soap made from it equaled or surpassed the best castiles. In 1847-48 he began the manufacture and refinement of this oil on a large scale. This oil, some of which was preserved from 1848, and some was manufactured for the occasion, subsequently gained the award of first premium at the centennial exposition of 1876 at Philadelphia. Dr. Boyè was a member of the Franklin Institute.

His early work in the field gave Mr. Boyè a practical familiarity with the picturesque region of eastern Pennsylvania, and enabled him to select for the home of his mature and declining years one of the loveliest nooks; he called his home "Keewaydin," a name of the northwest wind from "Hiawatha." In 1890 he removed from Philadelphia to Coopersburg, where he since resided, engaged in what Washington termed the most notable and useful avocation of man, agriculture.

In early life, Dr. Boyè paid little attention to politics but when the slavery question became prominent, he became a "Free Soiler," and later was an ardent supporter of Lincoln and subsequent Republican candidates. Although always of a conservative disposition, he was a staunch supporter of law and order. During the riots of 1844 in Philadelphia, he joined with a number of other men of standing and formed a military company under the leadership of Horace Binney, Jr., to sustain the authorities in restoring order.

At the age of 81 years, Dr. Boyè made an extended trip to Alaska. He also later at the age of 85, visited Honolulu and witnessed the transfer of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States. Enroute he made stops in Louisiana, Texas, Arizona and California.

Dr. Boyè died March 5, 1909, and reached the venerable age of 96 years, 2 months and 29 days. He had a world-wide reputation as a scientist and was of the generation contemporary with Agassiz, Cuyot, Joseph Henry, the Rogerses, T. Romeyn Beck, Morse and Hitchcock.

Dr. Boyè was preceded in death by his wife

and a son, and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Lewis De Schweinetz, of South Bethlehem, and Dora, wife of Emanuel Oppenlander, residing at the old homestead.

#### BOYER FAMILY.

The Boyer family is among the prominent families of Lehigh and Northampton counties, and its history form an interesting chapter in the early annals of Pennsylvania. It has had a number of successful "Family Re-unions" and its various branches have been carefully traced and compiled by the family historian, Rev. C. C. Boyer, of Kutztown, Berks county. The origin of the family in Eastern Pennsylvania starts with Andreas Beyer, or Beier, who emigrated with four sons, John Jacob, John Philip, Philip and Martin, from the Palatinate and landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 1738.

John Jacob Beyer settled near the Lehigh Gap in Northampton county, (now Carbon) where he took up land in 1755 and carried on farming when the great incursions and massacres of the Indians arose. This land was previously owned by Charles Straub, and Boyer erected a log house for the protection of the first settlers of that vicinity. During those dangerous times he and his son Frederick were working in a field along the mountain when they were suddenly attacked by a party of Indians who violently seized the father and scalped him and took the son a captive together with a young daughter and led them to Canada. On the way in the long and difficult journey the brother and sister became separated and the sister was never afterward heard from.

Frederick Boyer, the brother, was discovered as a prisoner under the French and Indians for five years and in an exchange was sent to Philadelphia and from there soon found his way back to the Lehigh Gap. He secured the land of his father and married Susanna Mehrkam, a daughter of Conrad, who resided in that locality and subsequently took part in the Revolution; and they became the parents of eight children: John, George (born in 1768, died in 1861 at the age of 93 years, and married to Christiana Kline with whom he had three children, Adam, William and Jacob); Henry (married to Magdalena Strohl and had three children, Henry, Joseph and Reuben); Andrew (married to Mary Grunsweig and had five children, John, Andrew, Daniel, Frederick, and a daughter who became the wife of ——— Buck); Mary, Susan, Catharine and Elizabeth.

John Boyer, the eldest son of Frederick, was born Nov. 4, 1780, and he married Elizabeth Schneyder (born Sept. 13, 1784) and had

with her five children: John A., Jacob, Samuel, Daniel and David.

John A. Boyer, the eldest of the five sons of John, was born March 30, 1806. He was recognized as a man of more than ordinary ability, possessed of marked character, and filled the office of Justice-of-the-Peace for fifteen years; and during the year 1827 was employed in the construction of the Lehigh canal. He was married to Elizabeth Christman (born March 30, 1806) and they had thirteen children: Lavina (married Robert Muschlitz), Franklin, Abel, Edward, Elizabeth (married Henry Kuntz), Mary (married Stephen Boyer), Priscilla (married Samuel Kostenbader), Matilda (married Alfred Keatz), John, Henry, Levi, James, and a son (who died in infancy).

ABEL BOYER, son of John A., a successful merchant at Slatington, was born at Millport on June 1, 1858. He was reared on a farm and when twenty-two years old learned the trade of painter and paper-hanger which he followed for a number of years; then, in 1902, he entered the employ of Edwin Rauch, who was engaged in the hardware business, and continued with him for one year when he and his brother Henry purchased the business and carried it on for five years under the name of Boyer & Bro., then, in 1908, he purchased his brother's interest and since that time he has conducted the business in his own name. He carries in stock a full line of general hardware and has a large patronage,—his store being recognized as the leading one in Slatington and vicinity for factory and quarry supplies. Mr. Boyer has come to be prominently identified with all local affairs for the general welfare of the community. He was one of the organizers of the Union Cemetery Association and has served as its president since 1900.

In 1889, Mr. Boyer was married to Maggie Bowman, a daughter of Josiah and Louisa (Berkemeyer) Bowman, of Bowmanstown, and they have five children: Pansy M. (a school teacher for a time at Slatington, but now a teacher in the Masonic Home at Louisville, Kentucky); Mabel E. (milliner at Slatington); Bessie M. (graduate from the Stroudsburg State Normal School, with the Class of 1912); Linda L. (a student at the Normal School mentioned); and Nettie B. (still at home, a pupil in the local public school). Mr. Boyer and his family are actively identified with the St. John's Reformed Church at Slatington, which he has served for a number of years as deacon and elder and also as treasurer; and he has also taken much interest in the success of the Sunday-school, and the public school, serving now as a director from the Third Ward of Slatington.

#### BOYER FAMILY.

The Boyers, as the original spelling of the name Beyer or Bayer indicates, are Rhine Bavarians. The records show that this family dates back into the earliest tribal history of Germany and France, in both of which countries they hold an honorable place to-day. Many of them became Protestants both in Germany and France; persecution drove them to America. About thirty-five Boyers, as the ships' list show, came to Pennsylvania before the Revolutionary War. From the well known fact that the earlier settlers "sent for their relatives and kin," we gather that the Boyer settlers of Pennsylvania were blooded relatives in Europe. There are thousands of them now in Philadelphia, Reading, and in the States of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Virginia, Kentucky, Missouri, Illinois, etc.

Philip Beyer, who came over in the ship "Winter Galley" in 1738, was the European ancestor of Dr. Charles Clinton Boyer, of Kutztown. Philip Beyer, as the connection of events proves, found his way into Bern township, Berks county, where, as the list of Berks county taxables shows, he owned property in the vicinity of what is now known as St. Michael's church, before 1775. This church was founded a few years before Philip died, and it is likely that he is buried in the cemetery of St. Michael's, but the brown headstones found over the earliest graves of the church reveal nothing concerning him. The early church records, together with the list of Bern taxables, seems to prove that there were at least four sons, namely: Michael, Henry, John and Christopher. The mother's name, at this writing, has not been ascertained. Philip disappeared from the tax list in 1780.

Christopher Beyer, in all probability the youngest son of Philip Beyer, was born in Bern township, Berks county, about 1740 or 1745. He became a member of the Lutheran Church. To his marriage with Katharine Reifschneider were born children as follows: Christopher, born in 1765; Jacob, 1767; Henry; Christian, 1781; Daniel, and two daughters. In 1785, or soon afterwards, the family removed to what is now Brunswick township, Schuylkill county. The elder Christopher's name appears for the first time on the tax list of Brunswick township in 1791. He lived in a log hut, probably constructed by himself, against a hill side in the rear of what is now known as Friedens Church, about a mile north of McKeansburg. Whether or not he was the schoolmaster of the congregation is a little uncertain. Missionaries stopped at his house and preached in his barn, as Rev. H. A. Weller records in his history of Friedens Church. He was certainly closely identified with this con-



gregation, as we infer from a fragment of church records to which his name is signed. His name disappears from the tax list in 1811, or soon afterward. He and his wife lie buried in Boyer's Row, Friedens cemetery, but the brown headstones that marked the graves were rudely removed when the present church building was erected.

Jacob Boyer, second son of Christopher and Katherine (Reifschneider) Beyer, was born in Bern township, Berks county, Jan. 14, 1767, and became a member of Friedens Church (Lutheran). In 1802 he owned a large farm in Lewistown Valley, about four miles north of Friedens church. He died April 1, 1829, and lies buried in Friedens cemetery. His wife, Susanna Schaeffer, born Jan. 14, 1775, died Nov. 4, 1849, in the home of a daughter, and is buried in the cemetery of the Lutheran church, East Germantown, Ind. Their children were: Jacob, Samuel, Joseph, Daniel, Mary, Elizabeth, Susan, Kate and Hettie.

Samuel Boyer, second son of Jacob and Susanna (Schaeffer) Boyer, was born in Lewistown, Schuylkill county, Feb. 12, 1801. He was confirmed in the Lutheran Church and on Nov. 9, 1823, was married by Pastor Schofer to Lydia Bensinger, daughter of Michael Bensinger. When his father died six years later, Samuel, who was a blacksmith by trade, took the father's farm, which, as the deeds show, comprised about 300 acres. On the Yost farm, which he owned soon afterward, he carried on milling. He was prominently identified with the founding and maintenance of the Lutheran Church at Lewistown. In 1873, when he was serving as township supervisor, he died in the Bauscher home, where he had called to warm himself on a bitterly cold morning. His wife, Lydia, born Feb. 29, 1808, survived him until 1894. They are buried at Lewistown. The sons and daughters of this marriage were: Israel, Samuel, Emanuel, Joseph, Benjamin, William, Jacob, Daniel, John, Catherine, Elizabeth and Caroline.

Joseph Boyer, the fourth son of Samuel and Lydia (Bensinger) Boyer, was born Jan. 27, 1831. When he began to go to school the free school bill of 1834 and 1835, framed by Lawyer Breck and saved by Thaddeus Stevens in Governor Wolf's administration, had just been put into operation by Secretary of State Thomas Burrows. The Lewistown school fell in line in 1837. The teachers, however, were poorly qualified. Joseph's best teacher was a Mr. Huey. The school terms were short, about three months, and the branches about the same as those of subscription schools. The rod was freely used, and the

pupils were hardly able to understand the importance of an education. The English language was not in high repute in the valley as yet, and German spelling, together with the trapping system in the "paragraph reading" of the German Psalter, was about all that counted for much in serious study. There were no blackboards and few books. The long plank benches were arranged around the walls of the room, with benches for the smaller boys and girls in the middle of the room. The old frame schoolhouse, however, in which Joseph Boyer received his education, has long since been replaced. Joseph was a miller by trade, but lived on a Lewistown farm the greater part of his life. He was confirmed in the Lutheran church of Lewistown. In 1856 he married Magdalena Gunsette, daughter of Christian Gunsette [who came from Alsace with his father Philip Henry and his mother Margaret (Houser) Gunsette in 1828] and Mary (Lintz) Gunsette (a Lehigh county girl). To this marriage were born: Charles Clinton, Alice Minerva, George Harris and Frank Samuel. Joseph Boyer served his township eight terms as supervisor of roads, took an active interest in the political affairs of his times, and lived to enjoy a ripe old age. At this writing he is 83 years old and his faithful helpmate died June 29, 1910.

REV. CHARLES C. BOYER, PH.D., the oldest son of Joseph and Magdalena (Gunsette) Boyer, was born at Lewistown, Schuylkill county, Pa., August 6, 1860. He was educated at the Center Square Academy; graduated in 1885 from Muhlenberg College with second honors; studied theology at the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, but was called to the chair of Latin and Greek at Kutztown, Pa. He completed his theological course under Rev. G. B. Hauchers, Ph.D., was ordained with his class in 1888; then while teaching, preaching and writing, he completed six years of post-graduate work, and graduated from Wooster University in 1894, receiving the title of Doctor of Philosophy, *cum laude*. Dr. Boyer is connected with the Keystone State Normal School off and on since 1888; is the vice-principal since 1900. As an institute instructor and lecturer he has traveled through Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, as well as over his own state. He is an eloquent and able speaker; is a master in the art of thinking.

As an author Dr. Boyer has won fame. He wrote "Concrete Psychology," "Principles and Methods of Teaching," "Waymarks of General History," "Modern Methods for Modern Teachers," and a comprehensive genealogy in many volumes on "Boyers in America." He is a member

of the National Education Association; the Pennsylvania German Society; Berks County Historical Society, etc.

In 1889, Dr. Boyer was married to Margie Wright, daughter of Calvin D. Wright, of Pottsville, Pa. Mrs. Boyer is a lady of culture and a gifted musician. Unto them is born one son, Karl Wright Boyer.

George H. Boyer, M.D., of Allentown, was born Sept. 6, 1866, in Walker township, Schuylkill county, Pa., and is the third child and second son of Joseph and Magdalena (Gunsette) Boyer. He attended the public schools and the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown; taught school eleven terms; graduated in medicine, in 1902, from the University of Maryland, Baltimore, and located at Allentown, where he had built up a very large general practice. He holds membership in the Lehigh County, the Lehigh Valley and the Pennsylvania State Medical Societies, and the American Medical Association. He resides with his family in their fine residence at No. 528 North Sixth street, Allentown.

He was married in 1890, to Jennie L. Hauser, a daughter of John F. and Emma S. (Seiberling) Hauser, of Tamaqua. Her paternal grandparents were Israel and Lydia (Heiser) Hauser, who also lived at Tamaqua. Mrs. Boyer's maternal grandparents were Peter and Catharine (Hartman) Seiberling, of West Penn township, Schuylkill county. The following children are born unto them: Miriam C., Ruth E., John F., Grace E., Gladys H., and Dorothy A. Boyer.

FRANK S. BOYER, M.D., the youngest son of Joseph Boyer, was born in Walker township, Schuylkill county, Pa., Sept. 7, 1875. At the age of nineteen years he began teaching school, after teaching three years, in 1894, he entered the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown. The following year he taught again and graduated from the above institution in 1898. Afterward he again taught school for seven successive years. In 1905 he entered the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, and graduated in 1909. In the same year he was elected *interne* in the Allentown hospital and the following year (1910) he located at No. 16 North Second street, Allentown.

Dr. Boyer holds membership in the Lehigh County, Pennsylvania State Medical Societies, and the American Medical Association. He was one of the first medical inspectors of schools in the city of Allentown, which position he holds since February, 1911; is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M., Allentown; Saucuna Lodge, No. 606, I. O. O. F., Hellertown;

F. O. E.; Tigers of the World, and Loyal Order of Buffaloes, all of Allentown.

On July 22, 1911, he was married to Carolina G. Belzner, daughter of George and Catharine (Fritchie) Belzner, of South Bethlehem, Pa.

Frederick Beyer or Boyer came to America about the year 1733. He came from the Palatinate and was a member of the Reformed church. He settled on the banks of the Lehigh River a short distance from what is now Rockdale. Here he took up several hundred acres of land. While working in his meadow he was killed by an Indian. He was married and had a son Henry who after he grew to manhood became the possessor of the homestead. He was married to Margaret Hanky to whom were born four sons and three daughters. Among his sons was John who was born December 26, 1781. In 1802 he was married to Elizabeth Reber. He purchased a farm about three miles north of his native home on which he resided for several years. Later on he purchased land nearer to his old home where he spent the greater part of his life being a farmer and dealer in cattle. After the Lehigh Canal was finished he was engaged in running boats from Mauch Chunk to Philadelphia. After the death of his wife, he resided with his son, Solomon, at Rockdale, with whom he removed to Allentown in the spring of 1871, and died on the 20th of February, 1874. His remains were buried in the cemetery belonging to the Union Church, in North Whitehall. Many of the children died young. Those who survived were: Elizabeth (married to Daniel Woodring, who died February, 1842), Polly (married to Abraham Woodring), Solomon, Daniel (who lived near the old homestead, and married Salome Klotz), George (who moved when a young man to Western Pennsylvania, where his descendants are now living), Elizabeth (married to Abraham Schneider), Maria (married to Andreas Walp), and Salome (married to Christian Horn).

Solomon was born Oct. 29, 1816, in Heidelberg township. During his boyhood days he attended school at the Union Church, which required a daily walk of four miles. He early sought employment as a boatman on the Lehigh and Delaware Canals, and continued thus engaged for six successive seasons, after which his attention was diverted to the pursuits of a farmer. In 1842 he purchased the hotel and store at Unionville, and managed both for two years, when he resumed again the labor of the farm. The same year Mr. Boyer erected a hotel and



store at Rockdale Station, North Whitehall township, where he became landlord, merchant, and postmaster. In 1857 he purchased the East Penn Furnace, which was sold after an ownership of six years. After an active business life extending over a period of many years, he sold the property at Rockdale Station and retired to his comfortable home in Allentown. Mr. Boyer was married, Oct. 29, 1843, to Miss Lucy Ann, daughter of John Miller, of North Whitehall township, whose birth occurred March 11, 1825. Their children are: Flora E. (Mrs. John H. Beck), Anna Maria (Mrs. E. R. Newhard), John P. (married to Miss Lydia Hunsicker), Amandus O. (married to Miss Ella Kern), James Oliver (deceased), Agnes M., Ida R., Lillie C., and Sallie J.

He was a director of the Allentown National Bank and of the Carbon Manufacturing Co., and devoted some time to real estate.

Amandus O., while superintending the working of what is known as the Henninger iron-ore bed, in North Whitehall township, was instantly killed by a cave-in. He was at the time managing a pumping donkey at the bottom of the pit. Mr. Boyer in addition to his furnace interests, was for many years engaged in the purchase and sale of real estate. He continued these operations on his removal to Allentown, and also became owner of various iron-ore beds, which he still continues to work. In October, 1869, Mr. Boyer, his son, John and his son-in-law John H. Beck started with several hundred hands for Texas, where he graded five miles of the Memphis, El Paso and Pacific Railroad, after which he removed to Arkansas, and graded eight miles of the Little Rock and Fort Smith Railroad.

WILLIAM H. BOYER, farmer of South Whitehall, was born near Rockdale, Oct. 20, 1854. He received his education in the public schools of his native place, the schools in Allentown and the Allentown Business College. He stayed with his parents on the farm until 1871 when they moved to Allentown. For several years he worked at the cigar maker trade. In 1876 he became associated with his father in managing ore beds at Trexlertown, Guths Station, Shoenersville, Lehigh Mountains and Hecktown. He began his family life near Trexlertown and in 1878 he moved to Henningers ore bed and in 1880 he moved to Allentown. In 1884 he moved to South Whitehall where he and his father purchased the Daniel App farm of 98 acres. Here he has resided ever since with the exception of six years during which time they lived in Allentown. For twenty years Mr. Boyer sold fertilizers being one of the first fertilizer salesmen of this section.

In politics he is a Democrat and in 1911 he was elected Road Commissioner. He is a member of Salems Reformed church in Allentown. In 1876 he was married to Mary A. Herman a daughter of Joseph and Rufena (Herring) Herman. Their children are as follows: Bessie J., widow of George S. Peters who was killed on the trolley road in the South Allentown bridge in 1907. Issue: Miriam L.; Lucy R. (a graduate of the K. S. N. S. 1898, married to Howard Kramlich, of Siegfried. Issue: William B.; Miriam S., a graduate of the Allentown High School 1903; Solomon J., a graduate of the Allentown High School 1903, and Muhlenberg College 1907, now teaching in South Whitehall township; Annie H., married to Dill J. Albright, of Allentown; William H., a graduate of the Allentown Preparatory School and for two years a student in Muhlenberg College; Christine R., a graduate of the Allentown High School 1908.

After achieving financial success, he removed to Allentown, purchasing a commodious home, devoting some time to buying and selling real estate.

He was a Democrat and a member of the Reformed church, and was an elder and treasurer thereof. He died Feb. 17, 1897, and Mrs. Boyer died Oct. 25, 1901.

JOHN P. BOYER, son of Solomon and Lucy A. (Miller) Boyer, was born May 25, 1850, in Whitehall township, Lehigh county. He acquired his education at the public schools, Kingston Normal School and Business College.

In 1869 he accompanied his father to the south, and assisted in grading for railroads, in Texas and Arkansas. He returned to Allentown in 1870, engaging in the manufacture of cigars; was treasurer of the Allentown Axle Works for some time. He operated the Eagle Hotel for eight years, retiring in 1893.

In his active life he was prominent in the affairs of the city, but never sought office. He was a Democrat; very domestic and devoted to home and family; a member of Salem Reformed church.

He married, Nov. 15, 1873, Lydia Hunsicker, daughter of John and Polly (Kistler) Hunsicker (John being one of sixteen children of Peter Hunsicker, who was an extensive farmer in Lynn township. He died, aged 86 years). The children were: Allen J., married Lizzie Acker; Edna M., married Dr. Harry Snyder; and Stanley S., of whom below.

Stanley S. Boyer, son of John P. and Lydia (Hunsicker) Boyer, was educated in the public schools. He is mail carrier and resides with his father on South Tenth street.

ALLEN JOHN BOYER, son of John P. and Lydia (Hunsicker) Boyer, was born July 16, 1874, in Allentown. He was educated in the public schools and Dorney's Business College. His first employment was as a stenographer in the office of the Hart Steamship Co., at Philadelphia. He next returned to Allentown, and was employed in various clerical capacities and is now the financial secretary of the Clover Club of Allentown. In politics he is a Democrat. In religion a member of Salem Reformed Church.

In 1900 he married Lizzie Acker, daughter of Oscar Acker, of Allentown.

#### GEORGE E. BOYLE.

George Emmett Boyle, real estate and insurance agent, of Allentown, was born in the city, Sept. 10, 1880. He was educated in the common schools, high school, and American Commercial School, where he took a course in stenography. He was employed as a stenographer in Philadelphia for one year, after which he returned to Allentown, and opened a laundry at 307 North Second street. He subsequently turned the business over to his brother Joseph, and accepted a position as stenographer in the L. V. R. R. Company general offices in South Bethlehem, where he remained seven years. He then studied law for over a year with C. R. James, Esq., and in 1903 opened a real estate and insurance office at 822 Hamilton street and a branch office at 228 Ridge avenue. He conducts an extensive real estate and rental business and at present is engaged in developing a tract of eighteen acres in the northern part of the Sixth ward, which he purchased from F. A. R. Baldwin, Esq. The tract furnishes an outlet for the present congested condition of the east end of the city, in the real estate of which section Mr. Boyle is especially interested.

He has been energetic and active in Democratic politics and has served two terms on the Board of Control and two terms on the section school board. He is past president of the Knights of Columbus, A. O. of Hibernians, and the Temperance Society, and has been the representative of the Knights of Columbus at State and National conventions. He is an active worker in the Catholic Church and is president of the Holy Name Society. He married, in 1906, Catharine V., daughter of John and Catharine (Roddy) Kimmet. Mr. Kimmet was first mate on a merchant vessel and travelled all over the world. They had four children: George K., John G., Francis, deceased, and James.

Mr. Boyle's father, Neil Boyle, son of George, was born in Glenties, County Donegal, Ireland. He came to America soon after his marriage and settled in Lehigh county, where he was an iron worker at blast furnaces and the Allentown Iron Company. He died at the age of 56 years, and is buried in the English Catholic cemetery, of which church he was a member. He married Annie Mundy, who died in December, 1912, aged 65 years. They had eleven children: Hugh, employed in the Baldwin Locomotive Works, Philadelphia; Francis J.; Neil C.; George E.; Con. A.; Jos. M., deceased; Annie T.; Mamie M., married Charles H. Houtz; Rita, John, and James, who died in infancy.

#### HENRY D. BRADER.

Mr. Brader's father, Lieut. Allen J., was born in Allentown, in 1835, attended its public schools, and belonged to Co. K, 54th Regt., Civil War Volunteers. He died Oct. 17, 1898, and is buried at Miller's church. He married Amanda M., daughter of Reuben and Mariana (Gross) Newhard, and they had two children: Henry D., the subject of this sketch, and Ellen, wife of Monroe Carl.

Henry D. Brader was born in Allentown, Aug. 11, 1859. He attended the public schools of Allentown, and Newark, N. J. He was first a cigarmaker, then a butcher, and for the last fourteen years has been conducting his own farm at Laury's.

In 1884, Mr. Brader married Alice, daughter of Samuel Miller and his wife, Mary Jane, nee Ritter. This happy union was blessed with five children: Estella J. (Mrs. Milton Strauss), Nellie I. (Mrs. Samuel Bibighaus), Samuel R., Ralph A., and Iva M. E.

Mr. Brader is a Democrat and has served six years as school director and three years as assessor. For fourteen years he has been either a deacon or elder of the Reformed congregation at Miller's.

#### EDWIN A. BREGENZER.

Gottlieb Friederich Bregenzer was born April 28, 1827, at Schorndorf, in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. In the year 1866 he emigrated to Pennsylvania and for two years he lived in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, Pa., where he helped to dig a large tunnel. In 1869 he came to Allentown, and being a "blaster" by experience, he accepted a position as foreman in a stone quarry in Hanover township. He re-



sided at Rittersville for a number of years and there he died, April 24, 1905. His death was due to cancer and he was bedfast for four weeks.

On July 4, 1868, he married Waldburga Koenig, who was born Feb. 28, 1842, and she departed this life, June 30, 1899. They are buried on the family plot at Rittersville. Two sons were born to them, to wit: William H., born May 12, 1874. He is married to Emma Gehman, and they reside at Coopersburg; and Edwin A.

EDWIN A. BREGENZER, of Rittersville, is a silk manufacturer and real estate operator. He was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, Aug. 11, 1876. At the age of thirteen years he began working in a silk mill at Bethlehem. In 1899 he was made a loom fixer and shortly afterward was promoted to be foreman of the night shift, a position he served for three years, then he became the day foreman. Two and one-half years later, in 1906, the firm of Klotz and Bregenzner was established which became the first industry at Rittersville. In 1910, Mr. Bregenzner erected his fine residence in Rittersville. He and family are active members of the Lutheran congregation at Rittersville.

Edwin A. Bregenzner was married Sept. 9, 1899, to Miss Hattie S. Hoehle, a daughter of Thomas and Augusta (Flores) Hoehle, of Rittersville. Unto them is born a son—Raymond M. Bregenzner.

#### BREISCH FAMILY.

The Breisch family came to this country from Germany, and has been resident here for some generations.

Thomas Breisch was for many years foreman in a brick factory. Later he was employed as a motorman for the Lehigh Valley Traction Company, and then entered the employ of the Spangler Machine and Foundry Company. He is now living retired at No. 637 William street, South Allentown. He married Sarah, a daughter of Jonathan and Catherine (Bartholomew) Rinker, and they had children: Ella; Howard William, of further mention; Charles; Sallie; Alfred; Anna; Harrison; Katie; William; Carrie.

Howard William, son of Thomas and Sarah (Rinker) Breisch, was born in Allentown, Jan. 28, 1876. He had but very limited opportunities for acquiring an education, only attending the public schools until he was eight years of age, then found employment in the Saylor Brick Works, where he worked eight and a half years. He was in the Allentown Rolling Mills but a

short time when he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Traction Company, as a laborer for two years. One and a half years were then spent in the employ of the Sensenbeck Brick Yard, and he has now been with the Dorney Furniture Company for the past sixteen years. He went there as a laborer, rose to the position of fireman, and was advanced to that of engineer in 1906. He is a Republican and a member of the I. O. O. F., and of several other fraternal orders. Mr. Breisch married, in 1895, Emma, a daughter of Peter and Catherine (Moser) Stein, and they had children: Lillian; Ruth; Walter; Stanley; Aureada; Clara; Forest J., died in July, 1913; and James, died in infancy. The family attend Christ Reformed church.

#### BREINIG FAMILY.

George Ludwig Breinig, the ancestor of this family, was born in Germany, Jan. 31, 1733, and came to America on the ship *Lydia*, arriving at Philadelphia on Oct. 13, 1749. He settled in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, where he farmed a tract of land and where he was assessed nine pounds tax in 1762. He had a brother, Philip, born in 1730, who came to America on Oct. 4, 1752, and who also lived in Weisenberg, where he was a sponsor in 1757, and who, on Sept. 1, 1757, enlisted as a private in Capt. Jacob Wetherhold's company of rangers in the French and Indian War.

George Ludwig Breining resided in Weisenberg township until May 10, 1771, when he purchased from Peter and Catharine Trexler for 700 pounds a tract of 100 acres and a stone dwelling-house in Macungie township, situate on what was then called "the great road leading to Philadelphia." He added to this tract by the purchase of additional land and resided there until his death. He was one of the judges of election at Allentown, on July 8, 1776, when delegates to the first constitutional convention of the state were elected. In the War of the Revolution he was colonel of the Second Battalion of Northampton county militia, as shown by muster rolls dated May 21, 1777 and May 14, 1778. On Nov. 5, 1777, his battalion is mentioned in service at Billingsport. In 1786, he was commissioned a justice of the district of Macungie and Weisenberg townships. He died May 12, 1812, and is buried at Lehigh church. His wife, Christina, was born July 8, 1734, and died Oct. 31, 1816. They had seven children: Christina, born 1760; Susanna, born 1762; George, born 1765; Jacob, born 1767; Peter, born 1771; Mary, born 1773; and Rosina, born 1777.

George Breinig, the eldest son, was born June 7, 1764, and died April 20, 1823. He married Anna Elizabeth Egner, who was born Nov. 4, 1767, and died Nov. 4, 1848. He received the old homestead which he farmed until his death. He had four children, three sons, and one daughter. His son, George Breinig, removed to Allen township, Northampton county, in 1832, where he purchased the Beisel farm of 254 acres. Among his children was Simon Breinig, born Oct. 29, 1827, who bought his father's farm in 1862, the greater part of which is now cut into building lots at North Catasauqua. Simon Breinig was married, in 1861, to Eliza C. Dech. He died Dec. 7, 1905, and left one son, Joseph S. G. Breinig. Jesse Breinig, another son of George, Jr., had two daughters, one of whom died young, and the other, Susan, married Dr. David O. Mosser and had three children, Olivia, Ida, and Hannah, who married Dr. Belden, of Akron, Ohio.

Benjamin Breinig, son of George, Jr., was born in Upper Macungie township, Dec. 6, 1793. In 1819, he removed to Whitehall township and purchased a 109-acre farm, west of Egypt, subsequently enlarged by additional purchases, to 250 acres in what is now the center of the cement belt. This farm had for almost a hundred years been owned by the Burkhalter family and is now owned by the Lehigh Portland Cement Company. He was a prosperous and substantial farmer and a member of the Egypt Lutheran church, where he held office and was buried. He died April 16, 1879. His wife, Esther Cope, was born in Montgomery county in 1802, and died in 1879. They had three children, Edwin L., Francis, and Clinton.

Edwin L. Breinig was born June 8, 1826, and spent his boyhood days upon the farm and in the schools of the township. He became a farmer and cultivated his fine farm of 88 acres until 1884, when he removed to a house he had erected, now owned by his eldest son. In politics he was a Democrat and was school director some years. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Egypt, where he served as deacon, elder, and trustee. He died March 6, 1903. Mr. Breinig married Catharine Schwartz, daughter of John and Hannah (Keck) Schwartz. They had ten children: Oliver B., Ida, who died at the age of twelve years; Rev. Alfred J. L.; Lillian; Clinton, who died young; Cora, wife of Oscar Kuhn; Laura; Ada, wife of Rev. Albert Lobach; Preston H.; and Gertrude, who died young.

OLIVER B. BREINIG, eldest son of Edwin L., was born April 24, 1857. He was reared upon the farm and educated in the public schools. In

1884 he began farming the homestead of 88 acres, upon which he has made many improvements, and which is now a valuable property. In politics he is a Democrat, and has been a school director for twelve years, holding the offices, at various times of president, secretary, and treasurer of the school board. He was also a township commissioner and school tax collector. He is an active member of the Egypt Lutheran congregation, of which he has been deacon, elder, and trustee. Mr. Breinig married, Nov. 1, 1883, Ida H., daughter of Abraham and Maria (Erdman) Mickley. They had two children: Edwin A., of Egypt, who married Emma Ludkie, and Raymond F., a graduate of the Whitehall township high school, class of 1912. One son, Harry, died in infancy.

Rev. Alfred J. L. Breinig, son of Edwin L., was educated at Kutztown Normal School and Muhlenberg College, where he graduated in 1884, after which he attended Mt. Airy Seminary, from which he graduated in 1887. He became pastor of the Lutheran congregations at Trevorton and Augustaville and later at Bowman's, where he remained thirteen years; also serving the congregations at East Penn, Forest, and Albrightsville. Having been stricken with paralysis, he resigned his pastorate and removed to Allentown, where he died six days after his removal to the city, on April 8, 1906, aged 45 years. He married Sarah Keefer, and had three children: Benjamin E., Clarissa H., and Margaret M.

PRESTON H. BREINIG, youngest son of Edwin L., a native of Whitehall township, was educated in the schools of Egypt, the Keystone State Normal School, graduating in 1891, and Muhlenberg College, from which he graduated in 1896, subsequently receiving the degree of A.M. He specialized in mathematics, began teaching in 1891, and for the past ten years has been principal of the Whitehall township high school. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation at Egypt and has been for some years superintendent of the Sunday school. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Francis Breinig, second son of Benjamin, was born Oct. 27, 1828, and died Jan. 31, 1896. He was a farmer and married Mary Laubach. They had no children.

Clinton Breinig, third son of Benjamin, was born April 15, 1831. He and his brother, Francis, owned 160 acres of their father's land, now owned by the Lehigh Portland Cement Company. He cultivated this land about thirty years, when he retired and moved to Egypt, where he died June 25, 1900. He married Amanda Erdman and had five children: Maggie and Frank,



deceased; Lewis C.; Minnie and Claude C. Lewis C. and Claude C. are letter carriers in the Allentown postoffice. Claude C. married Miss Daisy Glose and has three children: Paul, Naomi, and Clifford.

Jacob Breinig, second son of Col. George Ludwig Breinig, was born May 27, 1767, and died March 16, 1823. He became the owner of about 20 acres near Breinigsville, where he built a house about 1810 and a barn in 1814, which

May 19, 1793, and died March 12, 1836. He married Clarissa Strock and had children: John Lewis; Reuben H.; Maria, and Amanda, who died in childhood; Elemina, wife of Solomon Bachman, and Anna Eliza, who is now 85 years of age, is the widow of Benjamin Stettler, and resides at Allentown. The widow of John Breinig subsequently married Isaac Larash.

JOHN LEWIS BREINIG, a son of John, was born near Emaus, June 4, 1827. He died on Ascen-



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are still standing. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Lehigh church, where he was a deacon and elder. He married Barbara Butz, who was born Jan. 10, 1769, and died Dec. 30, 1851. They had seven children: John; William, who died, aged 20 years; Jonathan; Jacob; Elizabeth, wife of Nathan Grim; Hettie, wife of Jacob Shimer, and Maria, wife of Solomon Fogel.

John Breinig, eldest son of Jacob, was born

sion Day, May 27, 1897, on the Lehigh mountain, while out gathering ferns, while a resident at Allentown. His last words were: "Please do not disturb me, I am going home." He is buried on Fairview Cemetery. When a young man he had learned the trade of merchant tailoring with H. Leh, at Allentown, and later became associated with him in business. Afterward Mr. Breinig and Valentine Neligh formed a partnership under the firm name of Neligh & Breinig,

and located at the corner of Church and Hamilton streets, conducting a successful merchant tailoring and clothing establishment for several years. Later H. M. Leh purchased the interests of Mr. Neligh and the firm then became known as Breinig & Leh. At a later date John Lewis Breinig, Henry M. Leh, and Hiram Leh formed a partnership and conducted business as H. Leh & Company, adding the wholesale shoe business. This firm conducted a large clothing and shoe manufacturing business at the old stand of H. Leh & Co. During the panic of 1873 they dissolved partnership and Mr. Breinig and H. M. Leh continued the clothing business under the firm name of Breinig & Leh. This firm constituted the pioneer clothing house of the city and from it originated the firms of Koch Bros., and Koch & Shankweiler.

Frank W. Koch, the organizer of Koch Bros., was a clerk and learned the clothing business with this well-established and reliable house. Wilson Shankweiler was also connected with this firm as a cutter for many years, and then became a member of the firm of Koch & Schankweiler.

John Lewis Breinig was married (first) to Pauline Bachman, born June 30, 1834, died on July 4, 1888. They had five children, namely: Amelia, married to H. S. Rice, of Millville, N. J.; Alfred W., of Allentown; George F., history follows; Louisa A., married to Wesley Harper, of Allentown; Annie M., married to Irwin Moyer, manager of a large wholesale drug establishment at Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Breinig married (second) Mary Anna Faust, who died July 11, 1895, aged 48 years. She had been the widow of Thomas Faust.

GEORGE E. BREINIG, a leading business man, clothier, and bank director of Allentown, was born Dec. 3, 1859, in Allentown. He was educated in the public schools of the city and later was graduated from the Allentown Business College. At the age of seventeen years he learned merchant tailoring and cutting and in the centennial year (1876) he began working at the trade with Breinig & Leh. He continued in the employ of this firm until the retirement of his father, which was due to ill health, and the firm became known as H. M. Leh & Co. Mr. Breinig continued with H. M. Leh & Co. as chief cutter until 1888, when he and A. P. Bachman, (for many years connected with the Allentown National Bank), formed a partnership and adopted the firm name of Breinig & Bachman and occupied the old "Democrat Building," located at 632 Hamilton street. They continued business at this place until 1891, and then purchased the building then known as the "Pretz

Building," from the Allentown National Bank and erected the first "B. & B. Building," which stood until Friday, Oct. 13, 1893, when a disastrous fire totally destroyed this and three other buildings, incurring a loss of \$250,000. A week following this disastrous fire the firm of Breinig & Bachman again resumed business at 632 Hamilton street and continued there until the fall of 1894, when they erected the five-story building, of dimensions 40 x 113 feet, at Sixth and Hamilton streets. This firm employs forty-five people and is one of the largest and best established houses in the Lehigh Valley. During their career the firm erected fifty-five residences in this city and is one of the most progressive and public spirited business houses of Allentown.

Mr. Breinig is a director of the Citizens' Deposit & Trust Company since 1911, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a Republican in politics and from 1908 until the commission form of government was instituted in 1913, served as a member of the city council from the Seventh ward. He is active in religious affairs and since 1885 is the esteemed superintendent of the Zion's United Brethren church Sunday school, located on Linden street. He has now held this office for more than a quarter century. He takes a deep interest in the administrative affairs of the church and served as a member of the trustees and official board for many years. He also serves as a trustee of Lebanon Valley College, at Annville, Pa., since 1900.

In 1882 he was married to Celia E. Weber, a daughter of Solomon Weber, who died on July 12, 1899. They had no children. He was married (second) to Alice, *nee* Weber, a sister of his first wife, then the widow of Rev. Charles S. Seaman, who died in 1890, survived by three children, viz: Mary, Edna, and Charles.

Jonathan Breinig, second son of Jacob, was born Jan. 31, 1802, and died in April, 1880. He was a farmer and cultivated the farm now owned by his son, Charles. He was a Republican in politics and in religion a Lutheran. He served as deacon and elder at Lehigh church, where he is buried. He married, March 29, 1825, Elizabeth, daughter of Peter and Maria B. (Mosser) Schmoyer, who was born March 31, 1805. They had nine children: Sarah, born Jan. 22, 1826; Charles; James, born Jan. 8, 1831; Anna Maria, born 1833, died 1854; Eliza, born Sept. 3, 1836, married Daniel Bittenbender; Rebecca, born Aug. 17, 1839, married Francis Yeager; Hettie, born 1842, died 1844; Caroline, born 1845, died 1848, and Catharine, wife of John Geissinger.

Charles Breinig, son of Jonathan, was born







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at Breinigsville, Nov. 10, 1828. He attended the pay schools and later the public schools of the vicinity, and in 1861 began farming the homestead, which came into his possession in 1881. This tract, containing 105 acres, is still cultivated under his direction. Mr. Breinig is a member of the Lutheran congregation at Lehigh church, where he has been deacon, elder, and trustee. He married, in 1861, Eliza, daughter of Charles and Maria (Fegley) Ruth, and had ten children, three of whom, Charles, Annie P., and Warren R., died in childhood. His children who attained maturity are: M. Louisa, who married Victor Bower; Ellen J., wife of Morris Larash; Maria; Emma, wife of George Schwartz; Addie, who married (1) Uriah Schmoyer, and (2) Aaron Lobach; George and Harry, who reside with their father.

Jacob Breinig, third son of Jacob, was born July 22, 1804, and died Jan. 9, 1885. He married Catharine Trexler, who was born Oct. 16, 1807, and died Nov. 27, 1883, and had children: William, of Breinigsville; Elvina; Angelina, born April 12, 1834, died Aug. 9, 1884, married Abiel H. Trexler; Jane, married Aaron Mosser.

Peter Breinig, youngest son of Col. George Ludwig Breinig, was born Feb. 22, 1771, and died Dec. 8, 1827. He became the owner of a 120-acre farm and was the founder of the village of Breinigsville, where he built the tavern, which he conducted some years. He married May 20, 1792, Magdalena Egner, who was born Sept. 3, 1772, and died Nov. 28, 1841. They had eight children, namely:

Maria, born 1794, died 1874, married Benjamin Heist.

Peter, born 1796, died 1875, married May Ann Cope, born 1801, died 1872, and had two sons, Thomas C. and Dr. P. B., of Bethlehem.

Elizabeth, born 1800, died 1873, married Joseph H. Weidner.

Isaac, born 1803, died 1874, married Mary Meitzler, born 1810, died 1888, and removed to Allentown.

Rebecca, born 1808, died 1877, married a Mr. Jennings.

Ann, born 1809, died 1844, married Aaron Erdman.

Jacob, born 1811, died 1896.

Dr. David E., of New York, born 1818, died 1882, who married Anna Sophia Miller.

Jacob Breinig, third son of Peter, was born in Breinigsville, June 14, 1811. He was educated in the local schools and at a school in Norristown, N. Y. He engaged in business at Breinigsville, but in 1845, removed to Philadelphia,

where he was the junior member of the wholesale grocery firm of Miller, Eninger & Breinig, which did a prosperous business until the panic of 1857. In 1858 Mr. Breinig removed to Allentown, and engaged in the business of manufacturing paints and fertilizers, which has been conducted since 1867 under the name of the Allentown Manufacturing Company. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran church, of Allentown. He died on Jan. 4, 1896, aged 84 years. His wife, Mary Rebecca Miller, a daughter of Peter Miller, of Montgomery county, died in 1888. They had three sons: Milton and Edmond, who died in early manhood; Alfred J., whose history follows:

ALFRED J. BREINIG, who died at Allentown on Nov. 22, 1912, was born at Breinigsville, Aug. 6, 1838, and with his parents removed to Philadelphia in 1845. He was educated in the public schools of Philadelphia, and was graduated from the Central high school with the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1858, at the age of seventeen years. He taught school at Trexlertown, Lehigh county, during the winter of 1867-68, and in 1867 he came to Allentown, and the following year entered his father's business, which he conducted successfully until his death, on Nov. 22, 1912. Mr. Breinig managed the business of the Allentown Manufacturing Company from its early beginning until it became a most prosperous concern, whose reputation extends throughout the Middle Atlantic States, where the name of Breinig is most favorably known. During his early residence, in Allentown, he was an active member of St. John's Lutheran church, serving the offices of elder and deacon; later he associated himself with the Presbyterian church, of Allentown, in which he was a teacher of the young men's Bible class, but later became the superintendent of the Sunday school and a ruling elder in the church. He was one of the organizers of the Lehigh County Sunday School Association, and was the honored president of this noble association for fifteen consecutive years. About 1875 he organized what was then known as the Allentown Christian Association out of which grew the Allentown Y. M. C. A. He also introduced gospel services in the Lehigh county jail, as early as 1867, and later at the county almshouse. The religious work in the jail under the able leadership of Mr. Breinig was continued successfully up to his decease and his associates still continue the work inaugurated by him.

The forty-second annual report of the board of prison inspectors of the Lehigh county prison under the caption of "religious work," prints the following: "We should have to consider this

annual report incomplete without referring to the very valuable and conscientious labors of the Christian commission, under the inspiration and able direction of Messrs. Alfred J. Breinig and Thomas Weightman, in behalf of the spiritual upbuilding of the inmates. Of the very helpful and highly appreciated features of the jail work, were the inspired sermons, the Bible readings, and the spiritual songs. In many of these services the inmates manifested the greatest interest. To all these Christian workers the Board hereby extends its best thanks for their valuable services, together with the assurance that untold good was accomplished in a quiet, but very earnest way."

Mr. Breinig was one of the organizers of the first Allentown Board of Trade, becoming its secretary and holding that office some years. While acting as secretary, the Adelaide silk mill was organized through the financial efforts of the Board, and other large industries were brought to Allentown which materially benefited the city and community. The exemplary life of Mr. Alfred J. Breinig has been an inspiration to many of his fellow men and the permanent good he has accomplished can only be told by Him who keepeth all records. He believed the true measure of a man's life was faithfulness, rather than success, and kindly helpful words and deeds. It is related that one of Mr. Breinig's associate workers in the jail, told an inmate of his (Mr. Breinig's) death, whereupon the inmate replied: "Oh, no, Mr. Breinig did not die, he was only taken home to God."

In 1862 Mr. Breinig was united in marriage to Miss Naamah Erdman, a daughter of Isare Erdman, formerly a business man and an exemplary Christian gentleman and temperance worker. Mr. and Mrs. Breinig had two children: Paul E., who is the vice-president of the Allentown Manufacturing Co., Harriet M., who married George R. Witte, formerly a missionary of Brazil, now a resident of Northfield, Mass.

Mr. Alfred Breinig died at his late residence at 1103 Walnut street, Allentown, Pa., on November 22, 1912, and is buried on the fine burial plot of the family on Fairview cemetery, at Allentown.

#### BRENSINGER FAMILY.

Christian Brensinger (Brentzinger) the head of a family, lived in Longswamp township, Berks county, in 1790. Among his sons were William and Casper, the latter was a farmer in Weisenberg township. His wife was Eliza Lentz and they had a son, William, born in Weisenberg in 1841. He was a farmer near Alburts for many years, but now lives retired in

Upper Milford township. He is a member of the Reformed church, which he served as a deacon and elder.

He married Catharine Adams of Weisenberg township. Their children follow: (1) Oscar William of whom below; (2) Rev. Morris H., born Sept. 10, 1864. He is a minister of the Reformed church, residing at Fleetwood. He married Ella J. Butz, and they have Gertrude, Ruth, and Naomi; (3) Lizzie, married George Kocher, a painter, of Allentown; (4) Howard of Allentown; (5) Ella, wife of Oswin Bittenbender, of Lower Milford.

OSCAR WILLIAM BRENSINGER, a painter and decorator of Allentown, was born Sept. 24, 1862, in Weisenberg township. He was reared upon the farm, and afterward was employed in Macungie township up to the age of 25 years. At this time he became a salesman for the McCormick Harvester Machine Company, selling the implements for this company for 5 years, throughout Pennsylvania.

He afterward established himself in the lumber business at Fleetwood, being associated with his brother, Howard, under the name of Brensinger Brothers. Three years later he sold out his business, and removed to Allentown in 1896, and worked at the painting and decorating trade as a journeyman eight years. In 1904 he engaged in that business for himself. He resides at 1135 Oak street.

Mr. Brensinger and his wife are members of the First Mennonite church since 1909, and he has served the church as trustee for three years. He is also active in the Sunday School, and is a teacher of a Bible Class.

He is a member of the Progressive party; of the Friendly Lodge, No. 85, I. O. O. F., and is a Past Grand and was the Representative of the lodge to State Conventions; of the Knights of Malta, and of the P. O. S. of A.

He was married in Sept., 1855, to Elmira Nuss, a daughter of Jacob Nuss.

William Brensinger, son of Christian, was a teamster at the Lehigh Furnace, along the mountain in Washington township. He is buried at the Heidelberg church. His wife, Sallie, *nee* Smith, bore him the following children: Julia (m. Henry Fritz. They lived at Mertztown); Thomas; Marcus lived near Pinegrove, Pa.; James; Edwin was a candy maker and at one time lived in Allentown, but died at Slate-dale; and Maria (m. Levi Shirey. They lived at Reading).

Thomas Brensinger, the oldest son of William, was born in Washington township, this county, in December, 1827, and died in October, 1912, in his eighty-sixth year. He fol-



lowed the carpenter trade for many years, after which he became the foreman of a school slate factory, serving this position almost twenty years, and during these years he lived with his family at Slatedale. Later he engaged in the mercantile business at Steinsville and several years later he removed to Slatington where he continued about four years, then moved to Berlinsville and conducted a store there nearly twenty years.

When he was about forty years old he became a member of the Evangelical church to which he remained loyal and steadfast unto his death, having served the church at Slatedale in various official positions.

He was married to Sallie, a daughter of Henry Geiger. She died in November, 1877, at the age of 43 years and is buried at Slatington. Their children were: Mary (m. W. Snyder, of Berlinsville); Lewis F.; James, who died aged 23 years; Jeremiah died aged 22 years; and Ellen, who died aged 23 years.

LEWIS F. BRENSINGER, a merchant of Allentown, was born at Slatedale, May 15, 1854. He began clerking in the general store of the late Francis Shenton, at Slatedale, at the age of fourteen years and continued in his employ for five years. He then took a commercial course in the Kingston Seminary, at Kingston, Pa., graduating in 1874. Afterwards he accepted a position with the "Old Corner Store," located at Seventh and Hamilton Streets, Allentown, A. M. Springer & Company being the proprietors of the above store. The site is now occupied by Koch and Person. About one year later, Mr. Brensinger associated himself with L. Williams, of Slatington, and there they conducted a general store for five years. He was then married and became the manager of his father-in-law's (David Williams') general store in Slatington. About two years later the senior Williams gave the store to his two sons and to Mr. Brensinger. The three conducted the store under the name of Williams, Brensinger & Co., until the death of David Williams, after which Mr. Brensinger bought the interests of his two associates. In the year 1895 he moved to Allentown and continued in the mercantile business. Since Feb., 1912, he conducts a store at the corner of Sixth and Green Streets, and this store and building was built by Mr. Brensinger in 1900. He had lived on that corner before and carried on the store business there for three and one-half years.

He and family are members of the Trinity U. E. church, which he served as exhorter for many years, and he was an assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, but since 1911 he is the esteemed teacher of the German Bible Class.

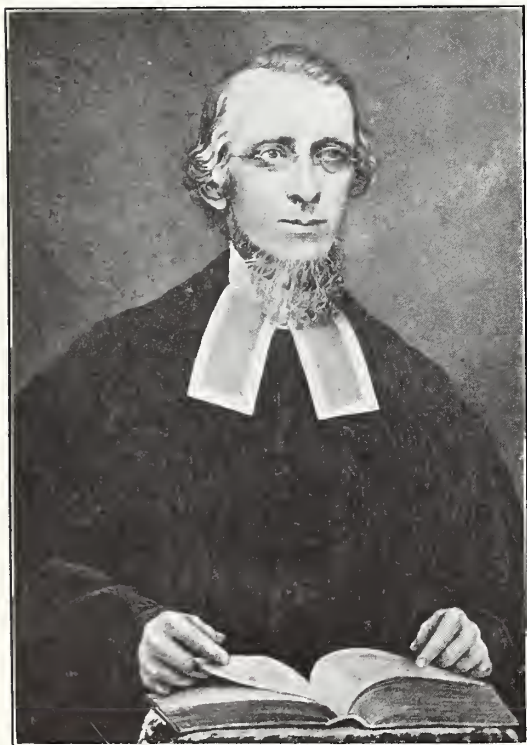
On May 25, 1879 he was married to Alavesta Williams, a daughter of David Williams, a pioneer slate operator of Slatington. Their children are: Florence M.; Raymond D.; Walter L.; and Eleanor.

Raymond D. Brensinger of the firm of Ritter & Brensinger, wholesale milliners, at Allentown, was born at Slatington, Aug. 28, 1882. He was clerk in his father's general store located at Eighth and Gordon streets for two years. Afterward he accepted a position as clerk with the Lehigh Portland Cement Company and after serving them for three and one-half years he resigned the position to become assistant manager of the Enterprise Millinery Company, and three years later he entered a partnership with G. J. Ritter and they are located at 42 North Eighth street. They employ eight people. Mr. Brensinger is a member of Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O. F.

#### REV. SAMUEL KISTLER BROBST

was born November 16, 1822, in Kistler's Valley, Lehigh county, Pa. His parents were faithful Bible-loving members of the Lutheran Church. The Brobsts and Kistlers belong to the oldest German settlers in Pennsylvania; they emigrated from Western Germany early in the eighteenth century. Samuel Kistler Brobst was baptized by Father Knosky in the Jerusalem Church, in Lynn township. He was a great grandson of Philip Brobst, whose sons, Valentine, Martin and Michael, as well as George Kistler, his maternal great-grandfather, were among the founders of this early Lutheran congregation. The children of these two pioneer families were among the first to be baptized and confirmed by the Rev. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg. He attended the parochial school connected with the church, where he became acquainted with the elements of Christian knowledge. He was confirmed by Pastor Isaac Roeller in 1837, and then changed his abode to Washington, Western Penna., where he learned the trade of a tinsmith with a relative. Being of studious habits, he did not spend his leisure hours on the street, but studied his Bible. His intercourse with Christian people, especially with Dr. Brown, the principal of Jefferson College at Cannonsburg, who had taken an interest in the lonely youth, awakened in him the ever-increasing desire of entering the ministry of the gospel. In 1841 he became ill and had to return home. As soon as he felt stronger he went to Allentown, where he attended the Academy in order to study High German. His poor health compelled him to take another rest under the roof of his widowed mother; but he could not

remain idle; weak as he was, he taught school in Kistler's Valley and organized a number of Sunday schools institutions yet unknown in the rural districts. As soon as he felt a little stronger he went to Kutztown, afterwards to Mercersburg, and at last to Washington, Western Penna., where he, whilst a student, became instructor of German. One of his pupils was James A. Garfield, the lamented president of the United States. The faculty of Washington College wanted to retain him as German professor, but he declined because he wanted to become a preacher of the gospel. Another offer made by the American Sunday school Union to



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become its German agent in Eastern Pennsylvania, at a high salary, was likewise declined for the same reason. His love for the Lutheran Church, which was the ruling passion of his life, moved him to despise all claims for honors and preferment. Having been licensed to preach by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania in 1847, he was ordained at Pottsville in 1850, together with G. F. Krotel who likewise became eminent in the Church for his distinguished services in various capacities. He had now reached the goal of his holy ambition, but his poor health denied him the privilege of being the pastor of a church;

only during the last nine years of his life he had a congregation of his own, St. Peter's Church at Allentown, Pa., which he served with the utmost devotion. But he did not become discouraged; he took temporary charge of vacant churches, and was always ready to act as a supply for his brethren in the ministry. The great work of his life, which made his name a household word in the Lutheran Church, was his remarkable activity as an editor and publisher of church literature for thirty years. He knew and felt the great want of church papers which at that time were almost an unknown quantity in the American Lutheran Church. He devoted himself to this important and indispensable line of work with an energy and endurance commanding all admiration, and which had most blessed results. Dr. Passavant, that venerable worker of half a century had been the means of making him acquainted with English church papers whilst both were young men in Western Penna. He had not forgotten the impulse received at that time, but put himself to work as soon as he became convinced that he was called to be a preacher by the word of the pen and the paper. His first venture was the *Jugenfreund* in 1847, the first German Lutheran Sunday-school paper in the country, which at the time of its founder's death in 1876, was read by 50,000 people, and is still flourishing. In 1853 the first *Lutherische Kalender* made its appearance; in 1858 the *Lutherische Zeitschrift* was started. All three publications are still doing good work, and are rendering telling service to the Church. *Die Theologische Monatshefte* and *Missions-Blatter* were also published by him for a number of years. Pastor Brobst was a familiar figure on the floors of synodical meetings. The sickly, modest man was a strong and courageous champion of genuine Lutheranism, and his influence became a power for good. He was especially strong in his advocacy of Lutheran education and Home Missions. His name is inseparably connected with the founding and history of the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary of Mt. Airy, Phila., and of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa., the Emigrants' Mission, New York City, etc. He supported all movements toward the conservation of the Church according to the principles of the Reformation, regardless of the enmity and abuse heaped upon him by many who could not, or would not, keep pace with him. He never thought of himself, he suffered heavy losses, he denied himself all well-earned rest and comfort, and when he at last was laid upon his deathbed he thought only of his work, prayed for the Church and praised his Lord until his last breath. He was called to his heavenly rest, in the Church



triumphant, two days before Christmas, 1876. The Lutheran Church in America is bound to speak of him as a minister of blessed memory, who while dead, yet liveth. He is survived by his widow, Mary E. Brobst and daughter Sarah L., both residents of Allentown,—Miss Brobst being well known for her activity in music; and one son, Samuel J., for many years church organist in Allentown, and presently holding a similar position in Fairmont, W. Va.

**BROBST FAMILY.**

Philip Brobst emigrated from Wurtemberg, or Lower Saxony, to America in 1720. He settled in what is now Albany township, Berks county, and there followed his trade of potter in connection with farming, the latter engrossing most of his time. "In 1740 Parson Muhlenberg gave them a small tract of land on which Philip's three sons and some new settlers, built a church and school house, which is occupied from that day to this for the worship of God, by the name of 'Allimingle Church.'"

Philip Brobst made his will in 1747 and it was probated March 21, 1760. It made provision for his children as follows: Michael 100 acres of land and a good grist mill belonging thereto; Martin, a tract of 50 acres and a good new grist mill; Valentine, his just portion of the estate; Eva Catherine, 50 pounds in money, and Dorothy (wife of Johannes Fetherolf), fifty pounds in money.

Philip Brobst and wife Cerine ———, had six children: (1) Martin; (2) Michael; (3) Valentine; (4) Mrs. N. Kutz; (5) Mrs. C. Hechler, and Dorothy (Mrs. Jacob Fetherolf).

In 1759, in Albany township, Michael Brobst was tax collector, and on the list of taxes paid were: Michael Brobst, 14 pounds; Martin Brobst, 14 pounds, and Valentine Brobst, 16 pounds.

Martin Brobst, son of Philip and Cerine (or his son), married a Miss Fuss. They had a son, John, who married a Miss Fries; Christian, who married Miss Marks and a daughter who married a Mr. Brobst and removed to Ohio.

The will of Martin Brobst was probated June 9, 1766, and Anna Elizabeth Brobst was named as executrix. This document mentions several children.

Michael Brobst, son of Philip and Cerine Brobst, married Elizabeth Albright. They had twelve children, all baptized and ordained members of the Lutheran Church, except two daughters, who died very young. Mr. Brobst died in 1769 and Mrs. Brobst died in 1767.

Christian Brobst, the youngest child of Michael and Elizabeth (Albright) Brobst, was born Sept.

14, 1767, and baptized Oct. 25, 1767. In 1795 he removed to Catawissa, Pa., having nothing but his carpenter's tools and household goods, as he lost his portion from his father's estate, in worthless Continental money, which he stated "brought him the more to depend altogether on his Heavenly Father." In 1799 he built a mill and was obliged, thereby, to contract a large debt. Nevertheless, "I paid the first debt to Him, whom I owed the most." He devoted the first money the mill brought in, to aid in "building a church, in which with my family and neighbors, we could worship God."

Christian Brobst was married by Rev. Daniel Lehman, in 1789 to Barbara Drum.

Valentine Brobst, son of Philip and Cerine Brobst, remained at the old home, and like his brothers engaged in farming and milling. Among his children were Valentine and Martin, the latter named removed to Catawissa, Pa.

Valentine Brobst, son of Valentine, engaged in farming and then went to Reading, where he became proprietor of a hotel. He was one of the largest land owners in the county, possessing valuable coal land in Schuylkill and Northumberland counties. He died in Reading. He married ——— Leavy. Issue: Christian, and seven daughters.

Christian Brobst, only son of Valentine Brobst, was born Nov. 29, 1787, in Albany township, where he engaged in farming until 1824 when he became a hotel keeper at Rehrersburg. He died Dec. 14, 1828. He married Miss Kreider. Issue: Valentine, Michael, Henry, William, John and Eliza.

Matthias Probst, on Dec. 12, 1792, made his will, which was probated Jan. 15, 1793. He was a resident of Lynn township. Northampton county. His wife's name was Anna Elizabeth. They had children: Michael, Samuel, Daniel, Maria, Magdalena and Catherine Barbara Probst. The son, Daniel, was born after 1771.

Gorge Probst made his will, verbally, Dec. 12, 1795, to Jacob Wannemaker and Jacob Oswalt. A son "Matthias and others" are mentioned. He was taken ill and died so suddenly that there was no time to execute a written will. It was probated the same date as given, by John Arndt, register.

John F. Brobst was a farmer in Lynn township, near Wanamakers, Pa. His homestead is now owned by Lloyd P. Kistler. He married Lydia Kistler. Both were buried in a private grave yard, near Mossers Mill, below Wanamakers. Issue: (1) John, (2) Jacob, (3) Rev. Samuel K., (4) Daniel, (5) Benjamin, (6) Sally (Mrs. Jonas Koenig), (7) Elizabeth (Mrs. David Ettinger), (8) Mary (Mrs. Daniel

Brobst), (9) Louisa (Mrs. Noah Seip), (10) Polly (Mrs. Joseph Wanamaker), (11) Annie (Mrs. Wanamaker), and (12) Lovina (Mrs. Jonas Kistler).

John Brobst, eldest son of John and Lydia (Kistler) Brobst, had children: (1) Jacob, married Lydia Lutz; (2) Daniel, married Miss Gangewere; (3) Samuel, married Sarah Brobst; and (4) Nathan, married Polly Brown, of Washington, Pa. They had 16 or 17 children, all deceased but one son, who resides at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Daniel Brobst, the fourth son of John F. and Lydia (Kistler) Brobst was a farmer in Kistler Valley. He married Wilhelmina Issamoyer. Issue: (1) Alfred, (2) Emma, and (3) William, of Whitehall township.

—— Brobst was the father of these children, namely: Polly, married to —— Greenawald; Elizabeth; Catherine; John; Jacob, Michael; Samuel and Daniel, who married Mary Brobst, daughter of John F. and Lydia (Kistler) Brobst, of Lynn township.

Daniel Brobst married Mary Brobst. Issue: Reuben, married Orrie Bachet; Perry, married Emma ——; Louisa (Mrs. Levi W. Werley); Sarah (Mrs. George Donner); Carolina (Mrs. Edmund Miller; Catherine (Mrs. John Shollenberger); Mary (Mrs. Jonas Wuchter).

Another Daniel Brobst was born Aug. 15, 1777, and lived in the vicinity of Cedarville, where he died on Feb. 28, 1854. He was married to Christina Fusselman born in 1785 and died in 1862. Both are buried in the Evangelical cemetery at Cetronia, where their son, Levi, and his wife, Lydia, are also buried. Levi was born in 1813 and died in 1882; and his wife was born in 1815 and died in 1896.

Benjamin Brobst, the fifth son of John F. and Lydia (Kistler) Brobst, was born about 1827. He was reared on the farm and educated in the schools of the day. He became a farmer in Lynn township and subsequently at Tamaqua, Pa., and Allentown. He married his cousin, Caroline Kistler. Issue: (1) James K., (2) Josephine, (3) Elizabeth, (4) Rosa, (5) Mary, (6) Sarah, (7) Amanda, (8) Milton, deceased, (9) Oliver, (10) Allison, (11) Carrie, (12) George, deceased, (13) Ada Brobst.

James K. Brobst, married Martha Yost. Issue: Pierson, Edith, Mamie, Wilbur, Elva and Warren, (deceased). Josephine, married Jacob Klingaman. Issue: Clara, Howard, Dora and Ada all deceased and Arthur and Leon Klingaman.

Elizabeth (deceased), married Thomas Groman. Issue: Helen, Margaret and Reba Groman.

Rosa (Mrs. Herman Stuckert); Mary, married Francis Wolf. Issue: Helen Wolf. Sarah (deceased), married Frank Besch. Issue: Howard Besch. Amanda (deceased), married Lewis Dell. Carrie, married Robert Rice. Issue: William, John, Mark, Dorothy, and Hilda Rice. Ada, married Joseph Stroman. Issue: Joseph Stroman.

Samuel Brobst was reared upon the farm and was educated in the common schools of the day. He became a farmer on about 200 acres of land, above Trexler Station, in Albany township. Among his children were, viz: William, David, Solomon and Henry Brobst.

Solomon Brobst, son of Samuel Brobst, was a hotel keeper. At various times he kept the hotel at Stein's Corner, Seiberlingsville and Seipstown. During his later years he followed the trade of a saddler, which he also conducted in connection with his hotel at Seipstown. He was a Democrat and took an active interest in political affairs. He married Rosa Derr, daughter of Jeremiah and Rosa (Werley) Derr. Issue: (1) Addie M., (2) William F., (3) Minnie J., (4) Robert E., (5) Lizzie M., and (6) Annie Brobst.

William F. Brobst, son of Solomon and Rosa (Derr) Brobst, was born Dec. 27, 1873, at Seiberlingsville, Pa. In 1891 he established a general store at Sweitzer, in Weisenberg township. There he continued for six years. He then purchased the long established hotel stand at Lynnvill, of Dr. F. C. Seiberling. It was erected in 1807 by Valentine Stoll. In 1901 Mr. Brobst razed it and on the site built the present modern building, of 16 rooms. He also erected a shed and cider mill, where 35 to 50 thousand gallons of cider are made annually. In 1902 he established a store which he conducted until Jan. 1910, when he sold it to his brother, Robert E. Brobst. He planted a park of 100 trees of North Carolina poplars. He also conducts the Brobst Horse Bazaar, and handles some 200 head annually. He is a director of the Berks and Lehigh Fire Insurance Co. since 1904. He has been the Democratic committeeman since 1904. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church.

He married March 7, 1896, Sevilla S. Kline, daughter of John and Louisa (Weiss) Kline. Issue: (1) Harvey, (2) Howard, and (3) Beulah E. Brobst.

Jacob Brobst lived in Lynn township where he was born and carried on farming until he died at the age of nearly 82 years. Previous to his ownership, the place was known as the Leiby homestead. It is now owned by Alvin J. Brobst, his grandson. He was a Democrat in politics and held various township offices; and for a time he served as supervisor of the township. He was a



Lutheran member of the Ebenezer Church at New Tripoli and served as an elder.

His wife was Leah ———. She was buried in the old grave yard and her husband in the new cemetery at New Tripoli. They had seven children: Polly (m. Eli Krum), Reuben, Amanda (m. first to Isaac Ulrich, then to Henry Hiskey), Rebecca (m. Reuben Weaver), Leanda (m. David Hamm), Isaac, and John.

Isaac K. Brobst, son of Jacob, was born on the homestead in Lynn township. He was a miller by trade and served for a number of years under John Ulrich, at what was known as Ulrich's Mill, situated between New Tripoli and Lynnport and farmed the homestead until he died. He was aged 59 years. He was a Lutheran member of the Ebenezer Church and served as a deacon and elder.

His wife was Mary Rau, daughter of Marcus and Rachel (Fenstermacher) Rau, of Lynn township, and they had eight children: Sarah (m. Jacob Gilbert), Alvin J., Henry, Missouri (m. Elmer Hamm), William, Oliver, Francis, and Alvena (m. Thomas Reitz).

ALVIN J. BROBST, eldest son of Isaac K., farmer of Lynn township, was born at Bennighoff's mill November 8, 1865. He was brought up as a farmer and then worked for some years in a slate quarry. In 1897 he began farming as a tenant in Lynn township and continued to do so until 1900 when he bought the homestead of 50 acres, situated between New Tripoli and Lynnport. He is a Lutheran member of the Ebenezer Church and since 1907 has served as a deacon. In politics he is a Democrat.

He was married in 1886 to Ellen, daughter of Stephen and Sallie (Weaver) Stahle, and they have four children: Lena M. (m. George Kunkel), Ida L., Wilmer S. (m. Annie Mayer), and Claude I.

#### BRONG FAMILY.

John Nicholas Brong came to America from Germany during the early part of the eighteenth century. With him came his wife and children, among whom were George and Stophel. The father was killed by the Indians. Stophel enlisted Jan. 13, 1776, as a soldier in the Revolutionary War in Second Pennsylvania Regiment. After the war he located in Northampton county, now Monroe county. Rev. William H. Brong, a minister of the Reformed Church, traces his family line to Stophel. George Brong, a son of John Nickle Brong, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War; enlisted Aug. 6, 1775 under Capt. Henry Hagenbuch. He was the father of the following children: Sallie; John

George; Peter, buried at Allentown; Caroline; Joseph, buried at Rittersville; Catharine; Susanna, and Elizabeth.

John George Brong, son of George, was the owner of a forty-acre farm at Fullerton, a part of which is still owned by his grandson, M. Henry Brong. By trade he was a weaver and wove all kinds of linsey woolsey, bed coverings, and formed faith. To them were born the follow-linens. He was married to Marian George, of Northampton county. Mrs. Brong was raised by Casper Moyer, of Hanover township. To Mr. and Mrs. Brong the following children were born: 1. Owen, born Oct. 26, 1828. Issue: Sarah, Reuben, Matilda, William David. 2. Christiana, married, first to Philip Dietz; second time, to James Hahn. 3. Tilghman. 4. Levi. Issue: George, Mary, Milton, Minnie, and Emma.

Tilghman Brong, son of John George, was born Oct. 3, 1834 in Fullerton and died Aug. 9, 1900. He learned the carpenter trade, which he followed for a number of years. For twenty-eight years he was engineer for the Allentown Iron Company. He was a member of Zion Reformed church, Allentown, which he served as a deacon. He was married, first, to Sarah Mayor, daughter of George and Sarah (Hilderbeitel) Mayor, of Allentown. This union was blessed with one son, M. Henry. His second wife was Susanna Funk, of Salisbury township.

He was married the third time to Rebecca Lilly, of Moor township, Northampton county. They were the parents of the following children: Ellen, married to Milton Bartholomew, of West Bethlehem; Lizzie, married to Eugene Kostenbader, now deceased. Edwin, deceased, Sarah, and Amanda, died aged nine years. Mrs. Brong makes her home with her son, M. Henry.

M. HENRY BRONG, son of Tilghman and Sarah (Mayor) Brong, was born in Allentown Nov. 7, 1857. He learned the art of telegraphy, but never followed it. He spent the greater part of his life on the tract where he now resides, being a part of the tract owned by his grandfather and which was acquired by him after his father's death. The tract is located near the city limits of Allentown, near Steckels bridge, a section which is being developed very rapidly. Politically he is a Democrat and filled the office of township commissioner of Whitehall township for two years, during which time the Mickleys and Egypt pike was constructed. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church at Fullerton, where he has filled the office of elder since 1911. He is a member of Hamilton Castle, K. of G. E., No. 483, of which he is secretary since 1911.

## BROWN FAMILY.

Christian Brown, the ancestor of this family, settled on the Cedar creek, where he warranted a tract of 200 acres on Sept. 18, 1738. He was of German origin and spelled his name Braun. He had two sons, John Adam and Christian.

John Adam Brown was born May 18, 1738, and died March 4, 1806. He removed from the Cedar creek region about 1760, and settled in Nazareth township, Northampton county, where he farmed a large tract of land. At his death he was buried at Dryland church. He and his wife, Juliana Catharine, had thirteen children: Jacob Brown, born Feb. 28, 1763. Anna Catharine, born Oct. 29, 1764, died April 17, 1837; married, April 5, 1784, Michael Spengler, and had seven children. John, born July 18, 1766. Margaret, born Oct. 6, 1769, married Henry Sensenbach. Anna Barbara, born Aug. 11, 1771, died young. Magdalena, married Peter Everhard. Hannah, married Philip Gross. John Adam, born April 20, 1777. Eva Barbara, born Feb. 22, 1779, married Philip Walker. David, born Dec. 10, 1780. Elizabeth, born Jan. 6, 1783, married George Deily. Abraham, born June 27, 1785. Salome, born May 20, 1787, who died young.

John Adam Brown, son of John Adam, was born April 20, 1777, in Nazareth township, and died Oct. 31, 1853, in North Whitehall township. He removed from Nazareth township to North Whitehall township, where he purchased a farm. He married, in 1800, Margaret, daughter of John and Anna Maria Spait. She was born Nov. 11, 1775, and died Sept. 1, 1853. They are buried in old Egypt cemetery. They had twelve children, among whom were Paul, Isaac, Lydia, and Daniel.

Paul Brown, was born Feb. 24, 1807, and died Aug. 11, 1877. He was constable of North Whitehall from 1839 to 1841 and a school director in 1854. He also served as postmaster of Balliettsville. He owned and operated an iron mine in North Whitehall which had an average yearly yield of 8,000 tons of ore. He married Maria, daughter of John Peter, and Elizabeth (Deshler) Wotring. She was born Aug. 21, 1809, and died Jan. 27, 1883. Her father was the son of Nicholas Wotring, who married, May 7, 1769, Margaret Frantz, who, in September, 1757, when a girl of 12 years, was captured by Indians, and lived seven years in captivity. Paul Brown had seven children: Elizabeth, born Jan. 19, 1832; Samuel A.; Stephen P.; Kitty Ann, born April 25, 1837; Dr. Lewis R., deceased, of Elizabeth, N. J., born Nov. 17, 1839; P. Franklin, of Allentown, born Nov. 9, 1841, whose sons are: Guy P. and Ray S.; Hiram E.

SAMUEL A. BROWN was born Oct. 2, 1833, in North Whitehall township and spent his boyhood on his father's farm. He was educated in the local schools and the Allentown Seminary. He became an accountant and in the Civil War served eight months as first lieutenant of Co. D, 176th Penna. Vol. Regiment, from Nov. 8, 1862, resigning on account of ill health. He was then for three years an employee of the Ironton Railroad Company, after which he became an iron ore operator, leasing the productive mines of his father's estate. He also devoted much time to agricultural pursuits and to breeding Jersey cattle. He was an active Democrat and served as school director and was justice of the peace from 1869 to 1874. He was also for some years a director of the Allentown National Bank and was a member of the Egypt Lutheran congregation. In 1880, with Edmund D. Leisenring, and E. E. Rinn, and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Brown traveled through Germany, Austria, France, and Belgium. He died at Balliettsville, of apoplexy, on April 29, 1899, and was buried at Egypt church. Mr. Brown married, in 1868, Amanda M., daughter of Stephen and Mary M. (Ruch) Graff, of Balliettsville, who now resides at 119 North Thirteenth street, Allentown. They had no children.

Stephen P. Brown, son of Paul, was born July 19, 1835, in North Whitehall township. His education was received in the public schools and the Allentown Seminary. At the age of seventeen he learned the trade of carpenter and that of mining engineer finding employment for five years in this connection with the Ironton Railroad Co. He was next employed by Barber & Co., as a builder of mining machinery and a pattern-maker. He was also later in the employ of William F. Mosser & Co. He erected a great deal of machinery for slate quarries and for some time he was the superintendent of the Brown Iron Mine, owned by his father's estate. At the time of his death, November 19, 1894, he lived at Ormrod. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation of Egypt Church. In 1859 he was married to Elemina Ruch, a daughter of Thomas and Lovina (Troxell) Ruch. Their children were: Hiram, died in infancy; Wilson P., died in infancy; Lizzie, died, aged three years; Edward S., born November 19, 1864, died April 8, 1907; Laura C., Anna C., and Elmer J.

ELMER J. BROWN, patternmaker with the Lehigh Portland Cement Co., was born in Allentown, April 17, 1873. At the age of seventeen years he learned the pattern-making trade with the Bethlehem Iron Co. and worked there four years as journeyman. At the death of his father he took charge of his farm and continues to



superintend it. Since 1904 he is employed by the Lehigh Portland Cement Co. at Ormrod. He is a member of Jordan Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 190, and Chapman Lodge, No. 605, F. and A. M.

Christian Brown, the second son of Christian and Angenisa Catharine Brown, was born Dec. 8, 1740, and baptized Jan. 25, 1741, at the Jordan Lutheran church. He settled in Nazareth township, where he was a farmer, and married, Oct. 4, 1762, Anna Maria Lawall, who was born Aug. 10, 1742, and died March 16, 1817. She was the daughter of John Michael Lawall, born 1716, died 1796, and his wife, Maria Sibilla, born 1718, died 1784. Christian Brown died Sept. 27, 1821, aged 80 years, leaving surviving 39 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren. He and his wife are buried at Hecktown church. They had ten children, of whom record has been found of the following seven children: Catharine, born July 23, 1763; Maria Sara, born Dec. 22, 1765; Anna Maria, born Oct. 18, 1773; Maria Margaret, born Aug. 15, 1776, died Aug. 26, 1830, married Frederick Riel; Sybilla Catharine, born April 15, 1779; Christian and John: Christian Brown, born Nov. 10, 1781, died April 17, 1843, was a soldier in the War of 1812. He married, June 12, 1804, Maria Koenig, born Nov. 17, 1782, died Sept. 21, 1852, but had no children.

#### CHARLES D. BROWN.

Charles D. Brown, a citizen of Emaus, is a descendant of John Adam Brown, who lived near Dryland, Northampton county. He was born May 18, 1738, and died March 4, 1806. His remains lie buried at the Dryland church. To him and his wife were born the following children: Jacob, Anna Catharine (married Michael Spangler), John, Maria Margreth (married Henry Sensebach), Anna Barbara (married Philip Walker), Magdalena (married Peter Everhard), John Adam, Eva Barbara, David, Maria Eliz, Abraham, Solome, and Hannah.

David Brown, the grandfather of Charles D. Brown, moved from Northampton county across the river into Lehigh county. To him and his wife, Margaret, nee Hoffman, were born a number of children among whom were Joel, Solomon, Thomas, Esther, Polly, and Hannah. He and his wife lies buried at the Jordan Reformed church.

Joel, son of David, was born Dec. 20, 1803 and died Feb. 4, 1881; was a shoemaker by trade which occupation he followed all his life. He was married to Elizabeth Minnich (July 1, 1807-February 2, 1888)—a daughter of John

Minnich, Jr., and his wife, Susan, nee Balliet. They had issue as follows: Amelia, Thomas F.; Alfred; David; Alexander; Ephraim; J. R.; Charles D.; E. J. J.; and Elemina.

Charles D. Brown was born in Mechanicsville, in April, 1847. He was educated in the public schools of his native village and was reared on the farm. As a young man he learned the art of milling, and was employed for a time at Romig's mill in North Whitehall, and also for a short period at C. U. Romig's mill in Lower Macungie, but soon turned his attention to mining. Subsequently he was employed by the P. and R. Railway Company as a repairman. After having faithfully served this company for a period of fifteen years he in 1890 engaged in the coal and lumber business at Emaus which business he still conducts and enjoys a liberal patronage.

Mr. Brown is public spirited and deeply interested in both the material and spiritual welfare of his community. He is an elder of St. John's Reformed congregation and frequently represents the congregation at Classical and Synodical meetings. He served his town as assessor for a period of thirteen years, as school director two years, as a member of the town council six years, during which period he acted as a president of the body. He is a director of the Emaus National Bank. He is a member of the Odd Fellow fraternity, a past Grand in rank and a member of the encampment. He also belongs to the order of the Knights of Pythias and has served the local lodge as treasurer for a period of upwards of twenty years.

In 1869 Mr. Brown was married to Miss Emmaline Schaeffer, a daughter of Nathan Schaeffer (May 9, 1811-Sept. 2, 1871), and Elizabeth Sider (Dec. 28, 1808-Sept. 26, 1878), a daughter of Solomon and Elisabeth Hiskey Sider, of Lower Macungie. Nathan Schaeffer was a son of Frederick and Catherine Marcks Schaeffer, of Upper Milford. They had issue as follows: Joel, married Polly Long; James, married Mary Folk; Franklin, married Mary Weaver; Anna, married Benjamin Strauss; Sarah, married to Uriah Helig; Julia died single. To Nathan Schaeffer and his wife were born the following children: Elisabeth; Elvina, married to James I. Tool; Tilghman, who died in his twenty-eighth year; and Emmalina, the wife of Charles Brown.

Frederick Schaeffer's parents resided for a time at Nazareth. They were of the Schaeffer family which originally settled at Macungie. A brother of Frederick lived in Lowhill township, and had a number of children among whom were Nathan and Frederick. Frederick Schaeffer was

born Oct. 18, 1783, and died June 25, 1841, and his wife, Catharine, a daughter of Conrad Marcks, was born Feb. 10, 1783, and died June 25, 1852. Her father Conrad Marcks was born June 12, 1745, and died June 16, 1807.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Brown were born the following children; Edgar, Assistant Agent at the Emaus Station; he is married to Harriet Stortz, and have issue—Elisabeth and Robert; Mary I. married to J. D. Fisher, a native of Kutztown; they reside at Robesonia where he is the station agent since 1894, which union is blessed with three sons, Charles J., clerk at the Carpenter Steel Works at Reading; Milo, a machinist, and Ray, at home; and Annie, the wife of Robert Bortz; they reside with Mr. and Mrs. Brown in their beautiful home on Lower Main Street.

#### CHRISTOPHEL BROWN.

The above named progenitor came to this country in 1865. He was a farmer and miller near Bath, in Northampton county. He lived retired about ten years before he died.

He was married to Elizabeth Miller in the Fatherland and their children were: Elizabeth (m. George Smith), John, died Sept. 17, 1913; Mary (m. Andrew Buchhaupt), Nicholas, of Fountain Hill, and Frederick, born in 1845, lives at Allentown.

Solomon Brown married Eliza Wotring. He and his family moved to Clinton county, Ind., in 1866; the children of this family are: Lovina, married to Tilghman Newhart; William; Amanda, married to Daniel Fretz; Sarah, married to John Kennel; Adalina, married to — Stahley; Joseph, married to Belle Shaw; Mary, married to Alfred Paul; Emma, married to Phaon Guth; and Catharine, married to John Clauser. Of this family only William and Mary are residents of Lehigh county. All the rest emigrated to Indiana.

William Brown, son of Solomon, married Christiana Miller, a daughter of Lydia (Newhart) Miller. Their children are: Victor, married to Mary Solt; Joseph, married to Emma Boyer. They have these children: Bertha, Titus, and Myriam. Addie, married to Harvey Koch. They have one child, Mabel.

Henry P. Brown, son of William, married Caroline, a daughter of Solomon and Senia (Shirey) Minnich. Their children are: Raymond, living with his parents; and Florence, married to Allen Peters; they have one child, Kenneth.

Henry Brown, the subject of this sketch, was raised on the farm where he now resides. He

was educated in the common schools, and has been a farmer all his life. He lives on his father's farm, the old Brown homestead and owns the adjoining farm, near Laury's, and farms 140 acres. He is a Democrat, and has been school director of Whitehall township for eleven years, serving as president of the board for a number of years and is now treasurer. He belongs to Miller's Reformed church, where he served the office of deacon six years, and as church treasurer for ten years.

#### BUCHMAN FAMILY.

Martin Buchman, the ancestor of the Buchman family of Lehigh county, arrived in America at the port of Philadelphia on the ship Phoenix, John Mason, captain, from Rotterdam, Holland, on August 28, 1750. The ship carried 339 passengers and among them was a Jacob Buchman, probably a brother of Martin. This Jacob Buchman settled in Lehigh township, Northampton county, where he was assessed eight pounds in 1762. In 1780 and again in 1786, he was assessed as a farmer, and in the latter year he was taxed on 160 acres of land. A daughter, named Maria Margaret, was born to Jacob and Margaret Buchman, on June 12, 1763.

Martin Buchman was born May 31, 1728. He was buried in the old cemetery at the Weisenberg church, and his grave can be seen marked by a slate stone, which is gradually crumbling away. Unfortunately the date of his death has disappeared from the stone, only the date of his birth, and a few words of the inscription can be seen. The inscription reads: "*Martin Buchman. Geboren 1728, den 31 May. Er begab sich in der Ehe mit Barbara, eine geborne ——— Jan. ———.*" It is from this stone, probably the only place that the information could be obtained, that a few years ago could have been secured the maiden name of his wife, and the date of his marriage and death, but nature has prevented the obtaining of this valuable information.

Martin Buchman secured a warrant for 25 acres of land in Lowhill township on April 14, 1757, which was surveyed on October 29, 1757, by George Schultz, a noted surveyor of Goshenhoppen, Montgomery county, Pa., as can be seen in his diary. In 1762, Martin Buchman was assessed fourteen pounds in Lowhill township, then a part of Northampton county. In 1772 he was taxed four pounds, eight shillings. On January 10, 1785, Martin Buchman and his wife, Barbara, conveyed to his son, Andrew, the tract for which he had secured the warrant in 1757, then given as containing 28 acres and 154 perches, and the 20th of January, 1785, they con-



veyed to Andrew the homestead and a tract of land called Strasburg, containing 120 acres, which Martin Buchman had received in 1768. After this date his name does not appear in the tax lists.

Andrew Buchman was the only son of Martin and Barbara Buchman, and was born between the years 1750 and 1760. He died in May, 1821, leaving a widow, Mary Magdalena and seven children. He was a tailor by occupation as well as a farmer and was taxed for 170 acres of land in 1785 and 198 acres, two horses and two cows in 1788. Andrew Buchman was one of the trustees of the Weisenberg church, of which his father was also an active member.

Andrew Buchman was active in the militia of Northampton county at the time of the Revolution, serving as first lieutenant of the Fourth Company of the Third Battalion of Northampton county militia, as appears in a return dated May 21, 1777, but there is no mention of the battalion having been called into service. On May 8, 1783, he was chosen major in the Militia Battalion District of Heidelberg, Weisenberg, Lowhill, Lynn, and Penn townships. In the census of 1790 the name of Andrew Buchman appears in Lowhill township as having two sons over and two under 16 years of age and four daughters.

Peter Buchman, son of Andrew, was born October 25, 1784, and died June 13, 1838. He married Maria M. Mohr, who was born March 25, 1789, and died December 18, 1847. They had four children.

Andrew Buchman, son of Andrew, was born March 10, 1793, and died July 10, 1870. He married in 1816, Salome Haas, who was born April 29, 1799, and died February 24, 1846. They had ten children. They are buried in the old cemetery at the Weisenberg church.

Andrew Buchman, Sr., was married to Mary Magdalena Schall, daughter of George Schall, born May 4, 1760. George Schall bequeathed to his grandson, Andrew Buchman, his watch and 16 pounds in money. Issue: (1) Peter; (2) Andrew; (3) Salome (Mrs. Abraham Haas); (4) Elizabeth (Mrs. Deibert); (5) Barbara (Mrs. Kilian Leiby); (6) Catherine (Mrs. George Klotz); (7) Maria (Mrs. Krause).

Peter Buchman, son of Andrew and Mary M. (Schall) Buchman, was born Oct. 25, 1784. Like his father and grandfather he was a farmer. The homestead of the descendants of Peter Buchman is now in possession of Solomon Haas and is situated about one-half mile northwest from Weidasville. Peter and his brother, Andrew, were appointed administrators of the estate of their father. They filed an account in

1823, showing a balance of \$761.25 for distribution among the heirs and legatees of Andrew Buchman. A bond in the sum of \$1,000 was given by the two brothers for the faithful performance of their duties, their sureties being Daniel Deibert and Christian Holben.

Peter Buchman was married to Maria M. Mohr. Issue: (1) Nathan; (2) Peter; (3) Levi; (4) Sallie (Mrs. Laury). He died June 13, 1838.

Andrew Buchman, Jr., son of Andrew and Mary M. (Schall) Buchman, was born March 19, 1793. He was reared upon the farm and followed this business his entire life. He was located one mile southwest of Pleasant Corner. He was a soldier of the War of 1812 in the 101st Regiment of Pennsylvania Militia. He was a member of the Weisenberg Lutheran church, which his grandfather assisted in organizing. He died July 10, 1870.

Andrew Buchman was thrice married. First, in 1816, to Salome Haas, who was the mother of all his children, viz: (1) Evan; (2) Sallie (Mrs. George Cook); (3) Jonas; (4) Julia (Mrs. Jonas Knerr); (5) Hettie (Mrs. George De Long); (6) Louisa (Mrs. O. H. Pryor); (7) Willoughby; (8) Hiram; (9) Anna (Mrs. Aaron Kern); (10) Henry.

Andrew Buchman married, third, Rebecca Schaeffer, a widow, whom he appointed as the sole executrix of his will, made on Aug. 4, 1866, which was admitted to probate on July 11, 1870. She declined to act, and the register of wills then appointed Phaon Schaffer, a step-son, as administrator to settle up the estate.

Of the children of Andrew, Jr., Evan (1) lived and died at Easton. Jonas (3) resided at Claussville. He was the father of the following children: (1) Adam. (2) Eliza (Mrs. Confer). 3. Sarah (Mrs. Beidler). (4) Milton. (5) Luella. (6) Frank Buchman. Hiram (8) was the father of the following children: 1) Lizzie (Mrs. Schiffert); (2) Carrie (Mrs. Bowers); (3) Edward; (4) Oscar; (5) George A.; (6) Raymond; (7) Leon; and (8) Willoughby Buchman.

Henry (10) died at Mauch Chunk, Pa. His children were: (1) Harry (2) Esman; (3) Edward; (4) Ella; and (5) George A. Buchman.

Willoughby Buchman, son of Andrew and Salome Haas, was born Dec. 11, 1835 in Lowhill township. He was reared upon the farm and educated in the public schools. He owned a small farm and has always followed agricultural pursuits. He and family are Lutheran members of Morgenland church, which he served as a deacon and elder. He married Mary Frey,

daughter of John Frey. Their twelve children were born in Heidelberg township.

They were: (1) Alvin J., of Allentown; (2) Mantana C. (Mrs. Harvey Newhard); (3) Ulysses H.; (4) Lillie S. (Mrs. Jacob Bloch); (5) William W., of Coplay, Pa.; (6) Granville J.; (7) Emma E.; (8) Minnie E. (Mrs. Milton G. Hass); (9) Justie D., of Berks county; (10) Charles W.; (11) George A., and (12) Eva G. J. (Mrs. Oliver Yeager).

ULYSSES H. BUCHMAN, son of Willoughby and Mary (Frey) Buchman, was born Oct. 17, 1868, in Heidelberg township. He was reared upon the farm and educated in the public schools. He assisted his father until he was eighteen years of age. When he was employed for six years among the farmers in Whitehall township. He began farming in North Whitehall township for himself in 1895, remaining there for eight years, and since 1903 has been located in South Whitehall, where he continues farming. In politics he is a Republican. In religion he is a Lutheran member of the Morgenland church.

Ulysses H. Buchman married, in 1890, Kate Bloch, daughter of Jacob and Caroline (Bortz) Bloch. Issue: (1) Mame; (2) Fred; (3) Meda (Mrs. Mark Klotz); (4) Herbert; (5) Wilbur, died in infancy; (6) Carrie; (7) Lulu, died at age of seven; (8) Linnie; and (9) Penna Buchman.

WILLIAM W. BUCHMAN, son of Willoughby and Mary (Frey) Buchman, was born March 5, 1871, in Heidelberg township. He was educated in the public schools and was reared upon the farm and at the age of eighteen years he became an employee of the wire mill, where he remained several years. He then was employed upon the farm for six years and since 1896 has been employed in cement mills and since 1908 is with the Atlas Cement Co. In politics he is a Republican and since 1909 is one of councilmen of Coplay. He owns a residence on South Fourth street, Coplay. He is a member of Camp No. 409, P. O. S. of A.; No. 4, National Order of Steam Engineers; and a member of the Lutheran Church. William W. Buchman married in 1900, Idella Moser, daughter of Jacob and Alavesta (Kerschner), Moser. No issue.

GRANVILLE J. BUCHMAN, son of Willoughby and Mary (Frey) Buchman, was born Aug. 5, 1872. He was educated in the public schools and assisted upon the farm. He followed an agricultural career until 1900, when he took the position of foreman in the packing department of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, where he had charge of a large force of men. He resigned his position in 1910 and with C. F. Pfeify

purchased the Union Transfer Company in Allentown.

Mr. Buchman is a member of Allen Council No. 753, Independent Order of Americans; and the Loyal Order of Moose, No. 129.

Granville J. Buchman was married Nov. 30, 1895 to Minnie Dutt, who was raised in the family of Jonathan Fenstermacher. They had children: (1) Oliver J. W., who died in infancy, and (2) Beulah M. E. Buchman.

Charles W. Buchman, son of Willoughby and Mary (Frey) Buchman, was born April 22, 1880, in Heidelberg township. He was reared upon the farm, and attended the public schools. At the age of eighteen he became engaged in the cement industry and in 1901 he was made foreman of the Coplay Cement Co., which he served for two years. He then accepted a similar position with the Lehigh Portland Cement Co., and remained seven years. In Feb. 1909, he again returned to the Coplay Cement Co., as foreman, where he has since continued, having charge of upwards of 50 men. He is a Republican and a member of the Lutheran Church. Also a member of Catasauqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F.; Camp No. 409, P. O. S. of A.; and Fraternity Encampment No. 156.

Charles W. Buchman married, in 1900, Annie Reppert, daughter of John and Jane (Rehrig) Reppert, of Coplay. Issue: Willoughby J. and Sallie L. Buchman.

GEORGE A. BUCHMAN, son of Willoughby and Mary (Frey) Buchman, was born Jan. 27, 1883. He was educated in the public schools of the county and in Summer Normal School at Schnecksville, Pa., attending the latter for two terms. During 1900, 1901, and 1902, he taught school successfully in Lowhill township. He then attended the American Commercial School at Allentown and after graduation, he accepted a position as stenographer, which he served acceptably for four years. In 1908 he and W. E. Wickert purchased the Union Transfer Co., at Allentown, which they conducted under the name of Buchman & Wickert, until 1910, when they sold out that business and established a carriage and general vehicle business on center square Allentown, where they carry also a full line of harness and horse goods. They are reputed to have the largest repository in their line in the entire Lehigh Valley. Mr. Buchman is one of the officials of the Buchman family reunion, which holds annual meetings in the county. He has collected much data for a history of the Buchman family. In politics he is a Progressive Republican, and is active in promoting the best interests of his party and also of the community. He holds membership in the following named or-



ganizations: Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O. F.; The Fraternal Protective Association; The Loyal Order of Moose; all of Allentown, and the Mutual Aid Association of Leather Corner Post.

Nathan Buchman, grandson of Andrew and son of Peter Buchman, and his wife, Maria M., *nee* Mohr, was born in the old Buchman homestead near Lowhill on the 25th of March, 1812. Mr. Buchman formerly kept tavern near Weidasville and later bought and tilled a farm near Werley's Corner. Nathan Buchman was married to Polly, daughter of Michael Hausman. Eight children were born—four dying early. The four children who grew up were: Frank, of 117 North Eleventh street, Allentown; Mrs. Henry B. Dietrich; Mrs. Phaon Baer; and Dr. Daniel P. Buchman.

Nathan Buchman was a brother to Levi Buchman, of 1032 Hamilton street; and to Peter Buchman, who lived at 1147 Hamilton street, Allentown, where Mr. Buchman celebrated his 86th birthday anniversary, when these venerable brothers had a happy time. Mr. Buchman died on Feb. 23, 1899 at Fogelsville, where he was then living with his daughter, Sallie, the wife of Henry B. Dietrich, who now lives on his own large farm in Upper Macungie township.

Frank Buchman, who resides at 117 North Eleventh street, Allentown, was born in Lowhill on the old homestead of the family, April 10, 1844, son of Nathan and Polly (Hausman) Buchman. He attended the public schools and later the Kutztown Normal School and afterward he spent a year in Indiana. In Jan. 9, 1875, he was married to Sarah Anna Greenawalt. After farming a year on the Greenawalt homestead, he started his career of a merchant. He lived at Werley's Corner for two years and later removed to Pennsburg, Montgomery county, where he lived 17 years. He was the owner of the Buchman House, a famous hostelry in Montgomery county. Since 1894 he lives at 117 North Eleventh street, Allentown. He now lives retired. He and his wife spent some time in travelling in Europe. They had the following children: (1) John, who died in infancy; (2) Rev. Frank N. D., whose history follows. Mr. and Mrs. Buchman adopted Daniel, the son of the late Dr. Daniel P. Buchman.

"WHO'S WHO" AMONG THE MUHLENBERG ALUMNI, 1899.

*Rev. Frank N. D. Buchman, Young Men's Christian Association Secretary at Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pennsylvania.*

The Rev. Frank N. D. Buchman, son of  
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Frank and Sarah (Greenawalt) Buchman, was born at Pennsburg, Pa., June 4, 1878. After preparing for college at Perkiomen Seminary and the Allentown high school, Mr. Buchman entered Muhlenberg College, from which he was graduated in 1899. He then took a theological course at the Mt. Airy Seminary and was graduated from this institution in 1902. His ordination by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania soon followed. During his first pastorate, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Overbrook, Philadelphia, Mr. Buchman visited Europe and made a special study of Inner Missions, meeting Pastor Von Bodelschwingh in Germany, and other well-known workers.

Immediately after his return from Europe he founded the first Luther Hospice in America at Overbrook, in 1904; in September, 1905, he accepted the position of house father of the Luther Hospice at Twentieth and Race streets, Philadelphia. In 1906 he founded the first Luther settlement in America in the same city. Mr. Buchman may be termed a pioneer in Inner Mission work in America.

After three years at the hospice, Mr. Buchman again visited Europe, spending a year in travel and in further study both of inner and foreign missions. Egypt, the Holy Land, Greece, and Turkey, were included in his itinerary. During his visit to Greece, Mr. Buchman was entertained by those who were close to the Royal Family and in Constantinople he had the privilege of taking breakfast in the royal palace at the invitation of the sultan. On his return he accepted the position of secretary to the Young Men's Christian Association at the Pennsylvania State College, the position which he is still holding.

The Young Men's Christian Association of the Pennsylvania State College, enjoys the unique distinction of being the first of its kind in the student world. Men and women of prominence in the world's work are constantly challenged by the work, and as a result the entire atmosphere of the institution has been changed and many men are entering Christian service. State College has become the model for the student work throughout the country. It is not an uncommon thing to have a thousand or more men attend a single meeting of the Association. The strength of Mr. Buchman's work lies in individual work with individuals. He is constantly called upon to take part in religious movements in other universities.

High tributes to Mr. Buchman's work have been paid by such eminent men as Harlan P. Beach, of Yale; Robert E. Speer, the authority of foreign missions; John R. Mott, the leader of

the Student Volunteer Movement; Charles Stelzle, and Graham Taylor, of Chicago.

Describing a visit to State College and its Association, the editor of *The Continent* thus sums up Mr. Buchman's work and pays this tribute to his personality: "As for that merciless and indefatigable and tireless Young Men's Christian Association secretary, whom the unsuspecting guest really should hold in enmity to the end of his days—he is a wonder; an asset for the kingdom at this strategic point, whose value is beyond

at Werley's Corner on Dec. 1, 1859. He attended the State Normal School, later taught school. He graduated from the Bellevue Medical College in New York, and early gained a reputation for being a skilled diagnostician. He enjoyed a lucrative practice. He married Rosa, *nee* Snyder. Three children were born: Beulah, Daniel, and Edwin. Dr. Buchman died at Stine's Corner on the 3d of February, 1899, and was buried in the family plot in the Weisenberg Cemetery.



REV. FRANK N. D. BUCHMAN.

computation. What he compelled the wayfarer to do, he himself is doing all the time. Without a taint of professionalism or piety he has literally invested his life in the lives of those hundreds of young men. His name should be remembered in gratitude at many family altars throughout his state."

Dr. Daniel P. Buchman, son of Nathan Buchman and his wife, Polly, *nee* Hausman, was born

#### BUCK FAMILY.

Philip Buck,<sup>1</sup> an immigrant ancestor, settled in Heidelberg township in 1742. He took up a tract of land in the upper end of the township, situated along the Jordan creek. The ruins of an old barn are still to be seen. The land is now owned by George A. Bachman. This pioneer is buried on the old graveyard at the Heidelberg church.



Jonathan Buck<sup>2</sup> was born in Heidelberg, September 25, 1788. He was a farmer and owned the homestead of his father, located near the central school-house in Heidelberg. On June 7, 1841, he was accidentally killed by his horses, who became frightened by lightning which struck a near by tree, in his fifty-third year. His wife was ——— Stammler, and their children were: Jonas, Sally (married Thomas Ruhe), Elizabeth (married Nathan German, who was a Recorder of Deeds), Maria (married Josiah German), and Reuben (1829-1842), all deceased.

Jonas Buck was born March 7, 1818, and lived along the base of the Blue Mountain in Heidelberg township, on a farm of 80 acres until the death of his father, when he purchased it and carried it on until he died in 1849, at the age of thirty-one years. He contributed hauling in the erection of the present Heidelberg church, where both he and his wife are buried. They were Lutherans.

He married Susanna German and they had three children: Nathan F., Wilson (farmer in Heidelberg, where he owned the farm now owned by Jonas Kerschner, married Rebecca Snyder, who still lives at New Tripoli, and their children are: Missouri, Cora, Osville, Edwin and Angelina (twins), and Mary Ann (married Aaron Kern, farmer in Washington township).

NATHAN F. BUCK, native and aged resident of Heidelberg township, was born May 3, 1838. When a young man he learned the polishing trade. On April 20, 1861, he enlisted for three years in the Civil War, as a private in Capt. Dillinger's Co. G, 1st Regiment, Pa. Vol. Inf., commanded by Col. Samuel Yohe, and on Aug. 23, 1864, he re-enlisted for one year in Capt. Glassner's Co. K, 200th Regiment, Pa. Vol. Infantry, commanded by Col. Wm. H. McCall, which participated in a number of fierce engagements. Mr. Buck was wounded in the foot in one of the engagements.

After the war, he located at York, Pa., and there he took an active interest in public matters, serving upon the police force. He resided in that city for fifteen years. He was employed by the A. B. Farquhar Company, extensive manufacturers of farm implements, for fourteen years, filling the position of superintendent of the steel department with thirty-five men under him. In 1881 he went to Mt. Joy, Lancaster county, and lived in that place twelve years, during which time he served as constable for two years. He was employed as superintendent of the D. Root & Co. plow works. He went with this company to Mountville and continued to serve them in

such position for four more years. In 1893 he returned to Heidelberg township, where he has continued to live until now. He followed farming until he retired.

He married Susanna Law, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Kline) Law, and they had the following children: Ida G. (who died aged ten years); Frank C. (a railroader living in Harrisburg); Annie A. (married J. W. Armstrong, a conductor on the Pennsylvania R. R.); John F. (a railroader living at Columbia); Tilden H. and Mary J. (twins, who died infants); Elizabeth (married Elmer Walters, a railroader at Fairview); Ida Belle (married Frank W. Rau, who operates a 48-acre farm for Mr. Buck and resides with him, including a daughter, Mabel I.); Robert F. (a machinist at Cementon); and Albert F. (a butcher at Emaus, Lehigh Co.).

Mr. Buck is locally known as "Colonel Buck." He possesses a striking personality and weighs 300 pounds. He is a Jeffersonian Democrat.

#### AUGUSTUS J. BUCKLEY.

Augustus J. Buckley, merchant and manufacturer at Allentown, is a native of Cecil county, Maryland, and there he acquired his education in the public and normal schools. Afterward he became identified with the grain business and the Commercial Exchange at Philadelphia. In April, 1895, he located at Allentown, and engaged in the millinery business with his sister, Miss L. Jennie Buckley. They conduct two stores, one in the Kuhn's building, No. 608 Hamilton street, Allentown, and one in Harrisburg, Pa., which was the start of the Buckley chain of stores in different populous business centers. They opened the first wholesale millinery establishment at Allentown in 1898, and successive enlargements of their quarters in the Buckley building, at Eighth and Hamilton streets, had to be made to meet the pressing demands of the increasing trade. In 1905 the firm started a factory at New York for making ladies' hats exclusively. In 1912, Mr. Buckley was one of the organizers in establishing the Penn Counties Trust Company at Allentown, serving since as a director. He is a member of the St. Leger Club, and of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Buckley was married to Lila M. Kress, daughter of William H. Kress and his wife, Ellen J., *nee* Kern, late of Allentown, where Mr. Kress was an extensive contractor and builder.

His parents were of Scotch and Irish descent. His father, John Wesley Buckley, was married to Miss Isabella Kee, of Harford county, Maryland. She was of pure Scotch extraction. They had

eleven children, of whom eight are still living: Ida M., married John W. Barnes, of Rising Sun; L. Edward, of Lansing, Michigan; Chauncey, ex-sheriff of Montgomery county, residing at Norristown; J. Monroe, of Allentown; Mary B., married William E. Snyder; L. Jennie, married to Aaron A. Rhein, of Reading; Augustus J.; and Isabella, married to T. J. Wilson, of North Tonawanda, N. Y. She is the youngest.

#### BUEHLER FAMILY.

The name and family of Buehler are essentially of German origin. The first of the family was Jacob Buehler, a native of the fatherland, where he resided and spent the whole of his life's career in the village of Huenterbuechelberg, in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, where he was born Dec. 12, 1826. He was an influential and active citizen of the village and took an earnest part in the advancement of the educational interests. Having been for many years honored with public office, both of his village and of his native county.

Jacob Buehler married Barbara Schieber. She died at the homestead in Germany in 1907 soon after the celebration of the golden wedding anniversary at the advanced age of four score years.

Jacob Buehler and his wife Barbara had born to their union six children, as follows:

1. Pauline, who married Joseph Doerfler. She came to America and took up her abode in Ontario, Canada.

2. Catharine, who married Gotlieb Sheib and resides at the family homestead, Germany.

3. Gottlieb.

4. Ludwig, deceased.

5. Jacob, who came to the United States, took up his abode at Allentown, Pa. He married Frederica Schlichenmeyer and has three sons: Fred, William, and Charles, all of whom reside at Allentown.

6. Fritz, deceased.

On three different occasions their son, Gottlieb, now of Allentown, Pennsylvania, visited his native land. In 1907, when his esteemed parents celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, Mr. Buehler and his eldest daughter crossed the Atlantic and participated in the ceremonies of this happy occasion. In commemoration of this event the King of Wurtemberg presented the aged couple with a gold loving cup. Mr. Buehler has also travelled through nearly every state in the Union.

GOTTLIEB BUEHLER, eldest son and third child of Jacob and Barbara (Schieber) Buehler, was born in the village of Huenterbuechelsberg, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, Sept. 25,

1857. He received his educational training in the schools of his native village and as was the custom in the fatherland, he was apprenticed to learn a trade, having chosen that of a carpenter. He pursued this avocation in the various cities of his native state up until 1881 when he decided to emigrate to the United States. As a result of his desire and ambition to improve his opportunities and to find a broader field for his skill and labor, and landed in New York City, Sept. 10, 1881. He at once took up his abode at Allentown, Pa., where he found employment at his trade with the firm of Schlegel & Ziegenfuss, manufacturers of parlor furniture frames and here the young mechanic with characteristic energy and German grit, made the beginning towards a successful commercial career. On Jan. 1, 1882, Mr. Buehler entered the employ of Grossman & Klunenter, with whom he remained during the next eight years. His next employment was with John King where he spent a period of eight years and in each of these places proved himself a skillful and valuable mechanic. In 1897 Mr. Buehler was enabled to begin business on his own account, having accumulated sufficient capital as a result of his industry and frugality. He first leased the Reeder building in this city, where he continued to manufacture parlor furniture frames and other wares of like nature. In 1898 Mr. Buehler admitted W. D. Schantz, his bookkeeper, into partnership and conducted the business under the firm name of Gottlieb Buehler & Co. The same year the business was removed to the new building at Front and Chew streets, where the enterprise has been successfully carried on up to the present time. The establishment has become recognized as one of the leading ones of its kind in this city and gives employment to more than two hundred skilled mechanics and other operatives. The factory is a three-story brick building, which is 365 feet in length. In it are consumed three car loads of hard wood lumber each week. The product is sold principally to upholstery dealers in Chicago, New Orleans, and points in the South and West. Mr. Buehler is a director of the Merchants National Bank since its organization.

Gottlieb Buehler married, Sept. 10, 1882, Frederica Breitmyer, born Jan. 12, 1858, daughter of George Breitmyer, a native of Grossachsenheim, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. Mr. Buehler first having met the lady of his choice on board ship while enroute to the United States. Of this union were born the following children: 1. Tillie. 2. Bertha, married to Dr. Albert Schultz, of Ontario, Canada. 3. Katie. 4. Louis. 5. Anna. 6. Marion.



BURGER FAMILY.

The old trite statement that "three brothers" came here from the old country, is not only a matter of family tradition, but is borne out by record.

The brothers, Jacob, David, and Dewalt Burger, and emigrated from Germany in 1754. Two of these brothers settled in Northampton county and the other in the upper end of Carbon county, or the lower part of Monroe county, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Burger was one of the two brothers who settled in Northampton county, and was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

William Burger, son of Jacob Burger, was born Sept. 2, 1793, and died March 2, 1871. He served in the War of 1812. He married Lydia Carl, daughter of Jacob Carl, born April 4, 1804, and died March 22, 1888, aged nearly 84 years. They had two children, viz: (1) William Henry Harrison, and (2) Jacob Henry Burger. William H. H., served in the Civil War, enlisting in Co. K, 47th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, under Capt. Abbott as a corporal, Aug. 12, 1861. He was promoted for bravery and was discharged from service Oct. 19, 1863. He at once re-enlisted for three years and on account of wounds received in the battle of Cedar creek, he was taken to the West Philadelphia Hospital, where he died in 1864.

Jacob Henry Burger, son of William and Lydia (Carl) Burger, was born Oct. 23, 1844. He was educated in the public schools and upon the breaking out of the Rebellion, he became a member of Company I, Fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. Subsequently in 1863 he enlisted for three months in Co. I, 41st Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and in August, 1864, he re-enlisted in Co. E, 202d Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. Mr. Burger was in active service and participated in several encounters with Masby's guerillas. After his discharge from the service he engaged in finishing buff and wax leather, kid and calf-skins, a business he continued until 1892. He then became one of the organizers of the Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Co., of which he is the president. He and his family are active members of the United Evangelical Church.

Jacob Henry Burger married Cecelia H. Leopold. Their children follow: Clarence J.; Mark; James; Mary A. (1868-1890); William A. (1870-1898); and James S. Burger, (1887-1909).

William Burger was born May 24, 1826, in Hanover township. He became a brick-layer and cigar maker at Catasauqua. He removed to New

Jersey and enlisted at the breaking out of the Civil War, subsequently re-enlisting a second and a third time. On Oct. 19, 1864, he enlisted for three years as a member of Co. D, 19th Pennsylvania Cavalry Volunteers. He was last paid May 14, 1865, when he was honorably discharged. He resided for some years in Western Pennsylvania and finally became an inmate at the soldiers' home, at Dayton, Ohio. There he died on June 3, 1878.

William Burger married Katie Hilyard, daughter of John and Sarah (Reimer) Hilyard, of Northampton county. Issue: (1) Salinda; (2) Alfred, and (3) Harvey E. Burger.

Mrs. Katie (Hilyard) Burger married (second) Hiram Delp. They had one daughter, Emma Delp, who lives at Allentown.

Harvey E. Burger, son of William and Katie (Hilyard) Burger, was born June 16, 1854. He learned the trade of cigar-making when only ten years old. In 1874 he engaged in business on his own account, but owing to the prevalence of a panic, he went back to the trade until 1885, when he formed a partnership with T. F. Horn and A. W. Sterner, under the firm name of H. E. Burger & Co. In 1891 the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Burger continued the business up to the present time, giving employment to a number of people.

Mr. Burger also conducts a grocery and notion store at the corner of Fourth and Washington streets, being assisted in the cigar manufacturing and store business by his son, Charles E. In politics, Mr. Burger is a Republican; was school director of the Tenth ward; and member of the common council for two terms. He holds membership in the Knights of Friendship, No. 9; Independent Order of Americans, No. 791; and Lecha Work Tribe, Order of Red Men, No. 185. He was connected with the Allentown Beneficial Society, for 27 years, which was dissolved in 1910. Mr. Burger was a member of Co. D, Fourth Regiment, N. G., which assisted in quelling the Reading riots of 1877. He re-enlisted a second time in May, 1877. He and family are members of Dubbs Memorial Reformed church, of which he was deacon and elder, and is treasurer since its organization in 1902. He was a member of the building committee which erected the present edifice (1902) and is one of its active members. He was treasurer of the Sunday school from 1902 to 1907, when he declined a re-election.

Harvey E. Burger married, Dec. 31, 1874, Lizzie Ziegenfuss, a daughter of Henry and Maria (Headman) Ziegenfuss, of Allentown. Issue: (1) Charles E.; (2) Katie M.; (3) Harry E.; (4) Alfred R.; (5) Arthur J.; (6) Clara

B. (7) Hattie R., and (8) Emma E., and George H., deceased.

Charles E. married Alice Knerr. No issue. They adopted his brother, Alfred's, daughter, Margaret. Katie M. married George Wind. Issue: Harry Abner and Esther Wind. Harry E. married Beulah Neumoyer. Alfred R. married Katie Schopniski. Issue: Margaret and Beatrice. Arthur J. married Lizzie Weaver. Issue: Leroy B. Clara B. married Fred. Shellhammer. Issue: Russel Shellhammer.

Samuel Burger was born in Northampton county, Pa. He was a resident of Allentown for many years. He was high constable of Allentown borough from 1843 to 1848. He died during the sixties in Allentown. He and his family were Lutherans. He married Hannah Gabel. Issue: (1) William; (2) Stephen; (3) Benjamin; (4) Solomon (1882-1907); and (5) Cordelia Burger, who married (first) William Knerr, and (second) Mr. Ziegler.

CHARLES A. BURGER, engineer at the Lehigh county almshouse, was born Nov. 15, 1877, in Greenwich township, Berks county, educated in the public schools and brought up on a farm until 1901, when he secured employment with the Allentown and Reading Traction Co., as a conductor, and filled this position for seven years, after which he served as the dispatcher for five years. During this time he studied stationary engineering, and in April, 1913, received the appointment of engineer at the almshouse of Lehigh county, which position he now holds.

Mr. Burger was married to Maggie M. Leiby, daughter of George and Missouri Leiby, and they had six children: Florence M., Charles E., who died at the age of nine years; Warren E.; Lester A.; George D.; and Kathryn M. They are members of Zion's church, in Maxatawny township, Berks county.

In politics, Mr. Burger is a Democrat. He is affiliated with the Knights of Malta, and Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Burger's father, Henry Burger, was a school-teacher in Greenwich township, who was married to Amanda Sarig, and they had an only child, Charles A. They reside at Kutztown.

#### BURKHALTER FAMILY.

Peter Burkhalter, only son of Ulrich and Anna Barbara Burkhalter, was born Dec. 2, 1731 and was brought to this country at the age of twenty-one months. He came into the possession of his father's land and added to his holdings until he had a total of 474 acres. He was naturalized April 10, 1761. He was the largest contributor to the Egypt Reformed congregation in 1767, when he gave 4 pounds, 15 shilling, 10

pence, towards the purchase of a parsonage and in 1785 gave 29 pounds to the erection of the new church, at which time he was also treasurer.

At the beginning of the revolution Mr. Burkhalter became active in the cause of liberty and was commissioned captain of the Whitehall company of Associators of 100 men on May 22, 1775. At the election in Allentown for the second election district of Northampton county, comprising Northampton, Salisbury, Upper Saucon, Upper Milford, Macungie, Weisenberg, Lynn, Whitehall, and Heidelberg townships, held on July 8, 1776, Mr. Burkhalter was elected a member of the Constitutional convention, which met in the state house in Philadelphia, from July 15, 1776 to Sept. 28, 1776, and formulated the first constitution of Pennsylvania. On Sept. 14, 1776, he was appointed one of the commissioners of the county of Northampton, and on Nov. 5, 1776, was elected a member of the assembly. On Oct. 14, 1777, he was re-elected a member of the assembly, which then met in Lancaster, Philadelphia being in the hands of the British.

On March 30, 1780, he was appointed one of four sub-lieutenants of Northampton county. On July 27, 1782, he was lieutenant-colonel, commanding the Sixth Battalion of Militia on the frontier. After the war he was again elected to the assembly for four terms, serving from 1784 to 1788. About 1767 he built a large stone dwelling which still stands. He died Oct. 22, 1805, and is buried in the old Egypt churchyard.

Mr. Burkhalter married Eva Catharine Deshler, daughter of Adam and Appollonia Deshler. She was born in 1729 and died June 2, 1816. Their children were: John Peter Burkhalter; Magdalena, born April 17, 1765, died 1805, married Lieut. Col. Stephen Balliet; Mary Barbara, born in 1755, died Jan. 23, 1824, married Henry Epply; Susanna, born Sept. 1, 1771; Adam, born Sept. 16, 1775.

John Peter Burkhalter, Jr., served as a private and ensign in the Revolution. He married (first) Dorothea Steckel, who was born March 2, 1764, and died May 3, 1798. He married (second) July 3, 1798, Charlotta Guth. He died in 1814. He had ten children:

Henry Burkhalter, born Aug. 23, 1780, died July 15, 1835. He married, Aug. 4, 1799, Barbara, daughter of Henry and Salome (Newhard) Biery. She was born June 5, 1782, and died Sept. 23, 1834. They lived in Whitehall township and had fourteen children:

Elizabeth, born March 5, 1800, died in infancy.

Esther, born Aug. 31, 1801, died March 2,



1891. She married, Nov. 17, 1822, Peter Steckel, and had children: Reuben P., Amanda, Anna, and Hon. Robert Steckel.

Charles Burkhalter, born Sept. 10, 1803. He became a prominent merchant in New York City and was noted for his many philanthropies. He endowed a professorship in the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia. He married Anna M. Havemeyer, sister of Hon. William F. Havemeyer, mayor of New York for three terms. Their only surviving child, Susan H., born Dec. 10, 1837, married Hon. Jacob A. Geissenhainer, member of congress from New York, son of Rev. F. W. Geissenhainer, inventor of the hot air process for smelting iron-ore with anthracite coal.

Stephen Burkhalter, born May 14, 1806, married, Sept. 8, 1829, Euphemia Leren. He was a merchant in New York City, where he died Jan. 13, 1866. They had five children: Stephen, Jr., married, Feb. 16, 1860, Susan E. Van Auken; Euphemia, died unmarried; John Henry, married, August, 1875, Mary Brodhead; Charles M., died unmarried; and Rev. Edward Read Burkhalter, pastor of a Presbyterian congregation in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who was born Dec. 21, 1844; graduated, Princeton, class of 1862; also a matriculate of the Universities of Berlin and Heidelberg; ordained at New Rochelle, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1870; received degree of D.D. from Princeton in 1895; married, July 12, 1870, Lucy Anna Denise.

Mary Salome, born Jan. 5, 1808, died 1854, married Charles Ruch, of Ruchsville, and had children: Reuben, Edwin, Sarah, married John T. Reil; Henry; Allen; Stephen, and Solomon.

David, born Dec. 19, 1809, married Mariana Marks, and removed to Crawford county.

Deborah, born Dec. 24, 1811, died Jan. 19, 1887, married Paul Newhard.

Henry, born Sept. 7, 1813, died Jan. 11, 1868, in Hamburg, Pa. His wife, Mary A., was born Feb. 18, 1818, and died June 17, 1891.

William, born Dec. 20, 1815. He settled at Tiffin, Ohio, served in the Civil War, and died in the service.

Elizabeth, born Jan. 31, 1819, died Jan. 8, 1900, married, Jan. 26, 1837, Joseph Newhard.

Reuben, born Dec. 24, 1821. He was a merchant in New York, and married (first) Lydia Holmes, (second) Rosamund Wilson, and had children: Anna Euphemia, and Lydia, married Joseph Thompson, of Orange, N. J., and by the second marriage, Charles, married Bessie Douglas, of Orange, N. J.

Mary, born Dec. 18, 1821, married, Feb. 6, 1850, William Biery, of Seneca county, N. Y., son of Jacob. They had no children.

Christina, born Feb. 15, 1824, married John K. Clifton, of Easton.

Rebecca, born Aug. 8, 1826, died in infancy. Magdalena Burkhalter, born April 1, 1782, died young.

Peter Burkhalter, born Jan. 7, 1784, married Catharine Biery, born June 28, 1786, and settled in Indiana. Their children were: Henry, born Nov. 25, 1805; Edward, born Nov. 10, 1808; Solomon, born March 17, 1811; Anna Maria, born Dec. 11, 1812; George, born June 17, 1814; Joseph, born Feb. 8, 1816; Catharine, born Nov. 27, 1817; Elizabeth, born Jan. 27, 1819; Eli, born April 15, 1820, who married Adaline Miller; Peter; Henry; and Reuben.

Salome Burkhalter, born Dec. 7, 1785, died April 20, 1856. She married Abraham Biery.

Magdalena Burkhalter, born Jan. 10, 1788, died 1867, married Henry Mickley.

Daniel Burkhalter, born March 25, 1790. He married Catharine Mickley, and removed to Indiana. His children were: William, born Oct. 15, 1812; Nathan, born Oct. 6, 1814, died Jan. 7, 1899, in Los Angeles, Cal.; Daniel, born March 23, 1816; Hanna, born Feb. 26, 1818; Eli, born Sept. 16, 1821; Mary, born Jan. 15, 1824; Sarah, born March 26, 1826, died March 23, 1904. She married Owen Schaad; Stephen, born June 8, 1827; Peter, born Aug. 20, 1829; James; Lydia; Catharine; one daughter married Charles Moyer and another Irvin Jones.

Joseph Burkhalter, born May 25, 1792. He married Barbara, and removed to Ohio. Among his children were: Abraham, born Sept. 6, 1814; Joseph, born Nov. 6, 1820; Levina, born April 15, 1823.

Catharine Burkhalter, born April 8, 1794. She married Benjamin Kohler, and removed to Carbon county.

Elizabeth Burkhalter, born April 10, 1796, married Benjamin Boggs.

Charles Burkhalter, born Feb. 26, 1798, died Aug. 28, 1862. He married Magdalena Mickley, who was born Feb. 19, 1803, and died Jan. 25, 1876. Their children are:

Thomas, born Jan. 20, 1821.

Erwin, born Jan. 7, 1823.

Reuben, born May 9, 1826.

Charles, and Mary, married Thomas H. Gery.

Erwin Burkhalter married Sarah Marks, and had sons, Edwin H., Eli, and Horace. Edwin H. Burkhalter was born in Lehigh county in 1848. He married Amanda, daughter of Jacob and Sarah Cooper, and in 1873 settled in Montgomery county, Missouri. He later was in the saddlery business in Wellsville, Mo., of which city he was several times mayor. He died

there, July 15, 1914. He had three sons: Dr. Charles Burkhalter, of Highbee, Mo., and Harry and Erwin, of near Wellsville. His brother, Eli, lives in Kansas City and Horace, near Wellsville.

#### JACOB S. BURKHOLDER.

Jacob S. Burkholder, undertaker, of Allentown, Pa., is a grandson of Jacob Burkholder, who lived between Roxberry in Franklin county and Newberg in Cumberland county. By occupation he was a farmer having been the owner of four farms. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and is buried on a private graveyard on the homestead. He was married to Martha Shoemaker. They were the parents of the following children: David; Adam; John; Daniel; William; Mary (Mrs. Jacob Cohr); and Rebecca (Mrs. Abraham Wengert). The sons all lived in the vicinity of Roxberry where they followed farming with the exception of William.

William S. Burkholder was a merchant at Mount Pleasant, Cumberland county, Pa. He took an active interest in politics, having been affiliated with the Democratic party. He was school director, auditor, and supervisor of his native place. He and family were members of the United Brethren Church in which church he was class leader and superintendent for a number of years. He died with his son, William, Jr., in Bradford, Pa. He was married to Annie, a daughter of Philip Snell, who owned the famous "Round Top Farm" on the South Mountain in York county. Their children were Joseph H., William H., and Jacob S.

Joseph N. Burkholder was a merchant at Harrisburg, Pa. He had these sons: Albert, William, and Jacob.

William H. Burkholder lived in Harrisburg where he was a broom manufacturer. Later he moved to Bradford, Pa. He has sons, Arthur of Bradford, Pa., and Charles, of Dunkirk, N. Y.

Jacob S. Burkholder, was born at Mount Pleasant, Cumberland county, Pa. When a young man he learned the machinist trade with the Jackson Manufacturing Company, of Harrisburg, Pa. After he was in the service of this company three years, he was placed in charge of the erection of the first interlocking machine built by the Union Switch and Signal Company, at Harrisburg. The machine was on exhibition at the Centennial in 1876 in Philadelphia. Mr. Burkholder had charge of the erection and exhibition of this machine. The Westinghouse Company became interested in the manufacturing of the interlocking machines and the Harrisburg plant was removed to Pittsburgh. Mr. Burk-

holder was made superintendent of all outside construction work connected with the interlocking system. He erected the machines in more than twenty states for different railroads. He filled this responsible position for fourteen years when he resigned and came to Allentown, Pa., to become connected with the Allentown Rolling and Construction Company. For some time he was the superintendent of outside construction, later he became the foreman of the machine shop. He continued in the employ of this company until 1896 when he engaged in the undertaking and embalming business. He has built up a large business and is one of the leading undertakers of Allentown. His place of business is 113 North Eighth Street. In 1898 Mr. Burkholder graduated in the Dodge School of Embalming in Boston, Mass. Socially he belongs to the following organizations: Barger Lodge No. 333, F. and A. M.; Foresters of America; Sons of Veterans and the American Mechanics. In 1895 he was married to Lizzie C. Bernhard, daughter of Peter and Sarah (Reichard) Bernhard, of Allentown. Her maternal grandfather, Jonathan Reichard, in 1867, was the first city treasurer. Mr. Burkholder has recently purchased the property at 814, 816, and 818 Linden street, where he will locate his home and undertaking establishment, which will be one of the most modern and up-to-date concerns of the kind in this part of Pennsylvania. He is erecting office, show-rooms, chapel, and morgue, where he can take care of everything in the most approved manner.

#### BUSS FAMILY.

John Buss, the ancestor of a large Northampton county family, was a farmer in Bethlehem township, where he died in 1821. He was survived by his widow, Catharine, and a large number of children and grandchildren. His will is of record in the court house at Easton, in *Will Book V*, page 6. It mentions the following children: Mathias; Henry; Daniel; Abraham; Philip; John; Jacob; Elizabeth, married to Frederick Fry; Catharine; Eva, who died before her father but she left issue, Magdalena and Susanna, who were yet minors. The will named the widow Catharine, and Mathias Greiss as executors.

Mr. Buss, a son of John, the ancestor, lived in Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county, at "The Hollow."

He was a farmer and the father of the following children: Sallie, married Thomas Schnabel; Abraham, single and went west; Jesse; Edward, unmarried; Polly, married Charles Schnabel, and Charles.

Jesse Buss was a weaver and lived at "The



Hollow." He married Christina Brader. Both were interred at Nazareth, Pa. Issue: Simon; Josiah; Horace; Hiram; Sabina; Susan; and Sarah Buss.

Charles Buss settled in Lycoming county, Pa. He had children, one of whom was Cecelia.

Jonas Buss was born in Bethlehem township, became a farmer, and married a Miss Wagner. They had a son, Amandes, who was born in 1839. He was a farmer, until he retired to reside in Nazareth, Pa. He married Christiana Heller. Issue: Ida and Wilson A.

Wilson A. Buss, the son of Jonas, was born Oct. 24, 1866. He became the proprietor of the milk depot at Nazareth. He married Tessie Lawall. Issue: Herbert, Truman, Clarence, and Lila.

Matthias Buss of Northampton and Lehigh counties was a farmer. He died and was buried at Stone Church. His family were Lutherans. Their children were: Jacob, Matthias, John, Maria (Mrs. George Haupt); Catharine (Mrs. Wentz); Susan (Mrs. Hauser).

Jacob Buss, son of Matthias, happened to be a life-long farmer and owned successively several tracts of land around Shoenersville, one of which is now owned by his grandsons, Asher and Martin. The last farm he owned consisted of 100 acres. In religion he was a Lutheran and served the church officially. He married Sarah Shimer. Issue: Herman, George, Milton, William, Robert, Oliver, Sarah (married Peter Kern), and Catharine (married Jacob Lowell).

Herman Buss, eldest son of Jacob and Sarah (Shimer) Buss, was born Sept. 17, 1839, died at Shoenersville on May 2, 1905, in his 66th year. His boyhood days were divided between work on the farm and attendance in the schools of the day. He subsequently attended the Weaversville Academy, and was a school teacher in early life. He became a farmer, succeeding to the homestead, which consisted of three tracts of land, and another farm of 100 acres in Hanover township. He built a barn on the 100-acre place which was destroyed by lightning July 29, 1902. In politics he was a Democrat. In religion he was a Lutheran, serving his church as a deacon, elder and trustee.

Herman Buss, married (first) Emeline M. Weaver, a daughter of Peter Weaver. She was born Sept. 14, 1841, died on Aug. 10, 1884. Issue: Oliver, Harvey F., Clara, Asher, Emily, Sarah, and Martin. He married (second) Ida Fatzinger. Issue: Gertie and Lizzie.

HARVEY F. BUSS, the second son of Herman and Emeline (Weaver) Buss, was born July 30, 1866, in Hanover township. He grew to manhood on the farm, and was educated in the

public schools of Catasauqua and Weaversville and in the Weaversville Academy. He was employed for a year in a drug store, and in 1889 began farming for himself on the 100-acre tract, where he remained until 1910. He owns two other farms, in all 161 acres. He is a member of the K. G. E., of Catasauqua.

Harvey F. Buss, married Dec. 24, 1890, Lizzie Schaffer, daughter of Peter and Christiana (Bach) Schaffer. Issue: Omah F., Mamie I., Eva E., Herman P., and Verna M. Buss.

Herman Buss, son of Jacob, was born Sept. 17, 1839. He was a life-long farmer near Shoenersville, this county. He died on May 2, 1905, aged 65 years, 7 months, and 9 days. He was married and had the following children: Oliver E.; Harvey; Asher; Martin J.; Sarah, wife of Charles Billheimer; and Emily, the deceased wife of Frank Fatzinger.

Oliver E. Buss, son of Herman, was born in Hanover township, Jan. 18, 1864, and departed this life Sept. 25, 1902, in his 39th year of age. He is buried at Shoenersville Church Cemetery. He was an iron worker. He was married to Mary Kiechel, who bore him the following children: Edward H.; Leon, of Emaus; Mabel; and Warren, who with two others, died young.

EDWARD H. BUSS, son of Oliver E., was born at Catasauqua, Dec. 19, 1888. He attended the public schools at Catasauqua, and later took a course in the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pa.; also attended the American Commercial School at Allentown. At the age of thirteen years he went to work in the Wahnetah Silk Company at Catasauqua, where he was employed for one year. In 1902 he entered the employ of D. George Dery, and learned the trade of silk weaving, loom-fixing, and the silk manufacturing business generally. In the spring of 1909 he removed to Emaus, to become the loom-fixer for Mr. Dery in the mill at Emaus, and on March 1, 1914, he was promoted to the position of foreman of the weaving department of the Emaus mill.

Edward H. Buss was married to Florence Knauss, a daughter of James and Elmira (Erdman) Knauss, at Emaus. They have the following children: Edward O. J.; and Blossom May.

Mr. Buss has membership in the I. O. O. F.; Emaus Encampment No. 15; and the St. Paul's Lutheran church.

#### BUTTERWECK FAMILY.

John Butterweck, of Lower Macungie, was born in 1754, and died in 1853. He married Maria Delp, and they had children: John;

Nathan; Benjamin; Reuben; Jacob, and two daughters.

Reuben Butterweck, son of John and Maria, was a native of Lower Macungie. He followed farming and was also a contractor and builder until his retirement. He was an active member of the United Brethren Church. He married Catharine Berger, born 1823, died 1906. Issue: (1) Rev. Francis J., of Lebanon, Pa.; (2) William H. (deceased); (3) Alfred; (4) Milton, died young; (5) Peter J., died while a student; (6) Emma E., (deceased) married Alvin Wisser; (7) Jeremiah, of Oley; (8) Maria, (widow of William Butz; (9) Dr. Oliver L., of Bono, Ohio.

Alfred M. Butterweck, the third son of Reuben, was born Sept. 21, 1848 in Lower Macungie township. He was educated in the common schools and at the age of 19 commenced teaching and taught six terms. He subsequently engaged in the mercantile business at East Texas, continuing in this line until 1906, when he removed to Allentown.

In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of the United Brethren church, and of the St. James Commandery, No. 68, of Allentown. He married, in 1873, Mary A. Miller. Issue: (1) Irving H., born May 5, 1874; (2) Clara K., born July 25, 1875; (3) Harry A.

HARRY A. BUTTERWECK, son of Alfred M., was born July 3, 1882, and educated in the public schools and at the age of 14 years became a clerk in his father's store continuing for two years, when he entered the employ of Breinig and Bachman, where he remained for 8 years. In 1908 he formed a partnership with Mr. Kummery, carrying on the contracting and building business in Allentown up to the present.

He married, Aug. 14, 1902, Mamie Scholl, a daughter of Charles E. G. and Rosa (Wieand) Scholl of Berks county. Their children are: Florence; Lamont; Flora; and Paul Butterweck.

Joseph Butterweck, tradition states, came to America in the last quarter of the eighteenth century. He had first located in New Jersey, from thence he came to Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, where he is recorded by the first federal census in 1790. He had in that year three sons under sixteen years, and one daughter. Among his children was a son, Joseph, Jr., who was a farmer, miller, and operated a wool-carding mill in Hereford township, Berks county. He was married to Elizabeth Leiser, of Hereford township. They were members of the Mennonite Church. Among their children were Joseph L. and Nathan.

Joseph L. Butterweck was born Jan. 1, 1821;

was educated in the public schools and in the Quakertown Academy. Afterward he taught school for fifteen terms in Berks and Montgomery counties. He was also an agriculturist until in 1878, when he retired and located in Montgomery county, near the line of Berks county. There he died on March 25, 1880, aged 59 years. He was prominently identified with the Evangelical Church, and was a moral force and a highly esteemed citizen of the community in which he lived. He was a Christian gentleman and was devoted to his home and family.

On May 31, 1856, he married Catharine Werstler, a daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Schane) Werstler. She was born Dec. 23, 1830, and died on Dec. 4, 1862. She is buried by the side of her husband on the cemetery at New Berlinsville, Pa. Their children were:

Catharine Ann, born Aug. 5, 1857.

Emma W., born Sept. 5, 1858, died Jan. 3, 1888.

Oliver W., born May 18, 1860, died Oct. 4, 1865.

Wesley W., born Oct. 23, 1861.

Nathan Butterweck, son of Joseph, Jr., and Elizabeth (Leiser) Butterweck, was born in Berks county, in 1834. He died at Allentown on Nov. 3, 1913, in his 79th year.

He learned the jewelry trade at Boyertown, after which he moved to Allentown and opened a jewelry store at 715 Hamilton street, and later he was in business at Freeland. After the death of his wife in 1912, he took up his residence with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Alice Leiby, of Allentown, and there he died. He was survived by two sons: William, of Philadelphia; and Nathan, of Florida; one sister, Mrs. John Treichler, of Pottstown; and five grandchildren. Mr. Butterweck was a member of Bethany United Evangelical church.

#### BUTZ FAMILY.

The progenitor of this large and honored family is John Butz who, in company with 62 men, 200 persons all told, landed at Philadelphia November 9, 1738. According to the family Bible he was a native of Hertzogberg, near Kromanenberg, situated in the lower part of Bavaria. He is said to have died at Philadelphia February 23, 1750, and to have been survived by a son, Peter, and a daughter, Catharine.

Peter Butz (son of John) came to Longswamp soon after his arrival in America and located near Topton, where some of his descendants have since lived, until 1760, when he purchased and removed to a farm of 236 acres in the beautiful Macungie Valley, now Lower Macungie, and since the increase of his descendants now living



on farms adjoining the original homestead (still owned by the family) exceeding over 1,000 acres, has been and is being called "Butz a-Gass," Butz's Valley. He was one of the organizers of the Longswamp Church in 1748, having previously been sent together with Jacob Long, Reformed, and two Lutheran representatives to Phila. to buy a tract of land for a Union church. The Lutherans taking advantage of their brethren secured the ground for a Lutheran Church and forthwith erected Lehigh Church previously organized. Undaunted by this experience, ground was subsequently purchased on which the Longswamp Reformed Church was erected.

On Oct. 22, 1743, he was married to Anna Barbara Carl, born Nov. 26, 1718, at Hessen, Nassau, Germany. She was a sister to Theobold Carl also one of the founders of the Longswamp Reformed congregation. He opened his family register thus, "Oct. 22, 1743, I, Peter Butz and Anna Barbara Carlin, entered the state of matrimony, God grant His blessings that we may dwell in peace and attain eternal life."

Peter Butz died March 18, 1780, and his wife March 6, 1795, both being buried at Longswamp. The old family Bible containing a record of his family is in possession of Dr. M. L. Bertolet, Mt. Penn, Pa., a descendant. Records in possession of the Berks County Historical Society contain a list of children with dates of baptism and names of sponsors, viz: Mary, Oct. 16, 1744, sponsors, Theobold Carl and wife; Catharine, Apr. 19, 1746, sponsor, Anna May Keider; John, Nov. 20, 1747, sponsors, Frederick Cassimer Miller and his mother, Anna Mary Graber; Samuel, Aug. 10, 1750, sponsors, Samuel Burger and wife; Peter, Apr. 8, 1754, sponsors, Peter Keyser and wife; Elizabeth, Apr. 13, 1758, sponsors Philip Fenstermaker and wife, Magdalena Hellwig. She died soon after birth and the next one was again named Elizabeth, June 22, 1761, sponsors, Valentine Nongesser and wife, Catharine.

John Butz (son of Peter), was born Nov. 20, 1747, died on Jan. 7, 1827, was married to Maria Elizabeth Miller, Jan. 4, 1747-Feb. 12, 1827, and lived on the homestead in Lower Macungie. He was a blacksmith by trade. When the second Longswamp Church (1780) was built he forged many of the nails that were used. They had the following children: (1) Abraham, see below. (2) John, Nov. 6 1771-Feb. 15, 1839, married March 10, 1794, to Catharine Schmoyer, born June 20, 1776, died on May 14, 1859, and lived on a farm adjoining the old homestead. They had (1) Reuben, born Aug. 1, 1806, died on Oct. 12, 1860, father of Reuben D., Samuel Esq., John, of Allertown; Marietta, wife of Charles Dresher, Allertown; Caroline, married

to Jacob Deisher, Maxatawny, and Sarah, married to William Deisher of Lower Macungie.

James (April 11, 1815-May 29, 1881), married to Mary Butz, granddaughter of Sam Butz III (June 28, 1795-April 7, 1824), and lived at Topton. They had John, Mary, Lewis, Charles, Eliza, Edwin, Caroline, Sarah, Kate, Henry, James, Ephraim and William B.

Mary (June 28 1795-April 7, 1825).

Catharine (June 10, 1803-February 22, 1829), both of whom were married to George Ludwig. A son George, Jr., went west. Elizabeth, married to George Schlicher. Rachel, married to Jacob Kuhns, parents of Rev. Kuhns, of Nazareth, Pa.

Peter, March 22, 1773 (baptized by Rev. Wagner, sponsors Peter Butz (III), and wife Magdalena Romig), died April 10, 1847. He was married December 25, 1804 to Elizabeth Schmoyer (November 18, 1785-May 20, 1866). They lived on the old homestead in Lower Macungie, and had ten children.

Stephen, (June 8, 1808—December 23, 1895), was married to Mrs. Rebecca Schwartz, January 30, 1821—May 1, 1897. They lived for a time on the old homestead in Lower Macungie. Issue, Allen P., John, Henry. Amanda, wife of Charles Hottenstein, Allentown, and Mary, wife of Frank Litchewalter, Chalfonte, Pa. Frank, married to Kate Larose. They lived in Lower Saucon where he died before 1850. They had the following children:—Henry T.; Jonathan, late of Breinigsville; Dr. Peter, Allentown; Frank, late of Allentown; Mary, widow of Joel Keck; Elmira, widow of Henry Schmoyer, Lower Macungie; Miss Sarah; Alfred and Edwin. Anna, born March 28, 1812, died April 25, 1874, married Daniel Leibensperger, (January 1, 1799—July 7, 1867). They had four children: Stephen, February 5, 1832—June 11, 1887, married Hannah Susan Deisher, issue; Eugene married to Alice Guldin; Cyrus, who died small; Stephen married Susan Warmkessel; Rev. James O., married Fina Miller; Alice E., divorced from Henry Heilman; Rev. Ambrose, Lebanon, married Elizabeth Frederick, Lebanon. Sarah Ann, born March 20, 1834, died March 16, 1891, married Samuel Dresher, Longswamp; issue, Alfred D., married Amanda Colver, Allentown. Roella, who died in infancy. Catharine, born November 12, 1863, married to Levi S. Litchewalter. They had issue: Elmer, deceased; Annie S., married to Adam Butz; Alfred, married to Mary J. Young. James, and four other children who died in infancy.

Aaron, January 1, 1810—January 11, 1833, married to Elizabeth Kemmerer, January 26, 1817—February 17, 1850. They had the following children: Charles, November 3, 1836-August 22, 1853; Eliza Amanda, June 28, 1834-July 4, 1897, married Henry Hillegas, Allentown; Benneville, August 5, 1840, lived at Pennsburg; Alfred, Allentown, father of Dr. J. Treichler Butz; Anna Maria, April 10, 1846-June 24, 1848; Mary Ann, married to George Bobb, late of Pennsburg, now married to Charles Miller, Allentown.

William, mentioned later

Maritta, November 17, 1810-October 6, 1900, mar-

ried to Nathan Ziegler and Nathan Weiler, late of Allentown. Of the first union there were: Anna Maria, wife of John Butz, parents of Mrs. Ida Cooper, Allentown; Dr. Raymond Butz, of York; Minnie, wife of Lewis Peters, and Eliza Jane, of Allentown.

Eliza, March 10, 1815-August 28, 1889, married to Nathan Haas, late of Shamrock. They had Frank, of Tipton; William, Catasauqua; Jonathan; Charles B.; Nathan; Eliza, married to Jacob Farr; Ellen J., married to John F. Weiler; Lizzie, married to Henry Fenstermacher, all of Allentown; Marietta, married to Daniel Bauer, of Shamrock, parents of Dr. J. N.; Morris; Mrs. Jacob Bortz and Mrs. Richard Rauch, all of Allentown; Miss Lizzie, late of Shamrock.

Hettie, September 28, 1824-June 10, 1895, married to Elias Kemmerer, late of Allentown. They had Allen M. and Eliza A., wife of Allen Ritter, of Allentown.

Peter, January 28, 1828-April 4, 1912, married to Caroline Haas. They lived in Lower Macungie, near to the old homestead. They had Hettie, wife of Daniel Dengler and Melara, married to John Albright, late of Trexlertown.

Son died in infancy.

Jonathan, February 28, 1771-April 14, 1842, married January 8, 1804, to first wife, Elizabeth Dankel, October 20, 1787-January 17, 1827; second wife, Catharine Wenner. They lived in Lower Macungie in Butz's Valley. His children with the first wife were:

Jonathan, married to Miss Wagenhorst, who lived in Longswamp and had issue: Emeline, married to John Levan, of Reading; Elizabeth, married to Jacob Frederick, Allentown; Jane, married to John Weida, Longswamp, Susanna, married to Daniel Weida; Jonathan who was married; was killed in the battle of Gettysburg; Jacob, who is married and lives in Reading; Alfred, was married to Mary Long; Mary, who lives in California; Charles, lives near Egypt.

Stephen, September 17, 1807-November 8, 1834, married to Miss Mabry. They had issue: Augustus; Francis, who went to Iowa and William.

Mary Ann, October 30, 1809-March 16, 1844, married to Peter Walbert, November 14, 1805-January 7, 1886. They had the following children: Henry, who died in infancy; Anna Maria, wife of Jerry Leh, Buffalo; Eliza, widow of Henry Shankweiler, Bethlehem; Angelina, married to the late Captain James W. Weida, of Longswamp, both deceased; Levi, of Allentown.

Mannasses, February 22, 1812-October 13, 1889, married first time to Fanny Krause, May 28, 1811-October 6, 1839, and second time to Elizabeth Wenner, January 29, 1822-June 25, 1864. He is the father of the following children: Beneville, of Allentown; Levi, of Wescoesville; Uriah, of Philadelphia; Eliza, married to Henry Rohrbach, deceased; Rebecca, married Henry Benfield, Longswamp; Ida, married Harvey Romig, of Allentown; Catharine, married Zeph Wuss, of Allentown; Ellen Jane, married Charles Bortz, Tipton; Sarah, married William B. Shafer, Nazareth.

Sallie, married to Jonas Romig, Longswamp: issue: Jonas, died; Abraham, of Allentown; Jonathan, of Shamrock; Alfred, of Alburtis; Lewis, deceased; Susanna, wife of Sam DeLong, Long-

swamp; Emma, wife of John Bard, Alburtis; Elizabeth, widow of Edwin Fritch, Longswamp.

David, November 20, 1818-February 21, 1891, married to Mary Wetzel, July 27, 1824-November 4, 1909. They had one son, Henry W., of Lower Macungie.

Thomas, married to Christine Kern, they lived and died in Allentown.

Henry, married to Sarah Diefenderfer, Reading, was a local preacher of the Evangelical Church.

Daniel, married to Miss Desh.

Levi, married to Emeline Schwoyer, of Allentown.

Barbara, January 10, 1769-December 30, 1851, married to Jacob Breinig, May 27, 1767-March 16, 1823. They lived in Upper Macungie. They had the following children:

Jonathan, January 31, 1802-April 3, 1881, married May 9, 1825, to Elizabeth Schwoyer, March 31, 1805-December 11, 1870. They had the following children: Sarah, married to Jacob Wagenhorst near Shamrock and to John Geisinger, late of Alburtis; there were three children: Charles, November 10, 1826, married to Eliza Ruth, living on the old Breinig homestead, Upper Macungie. They have 10 children: James, January 8, 1831, married November, 1866, to Catharine Weiler, late of Allentown. They had one daughter. Miss Maria, October 13, 1830-January 27, 1854. Eliza, September 3, 1836, widow of D. Y. Bittenbender, near Lehigh Church. They had nine children. Rebecca, August 17, 1839, widow of Francis Yeagle, Lower Macungie. They had no children. Miss Hettie Elizabeth, September 18, 1842-May 26, 1844. Miss Caroline Barbara, July 10, 1845.

Jacob, who was married to Catharine Trexler. They had the following children: Elwina, wife of Aaron Schmoeyer; Angelina, wife of Abeil Trexler, deceased; Jane, wife of Aaron Moser; Susanna, died in infancy; William.

John, who was married and lived at Salisbury, Pa., and who had the following children: Eliza Stetler, Allentown; Lewis, firm of Breinig and Bachman, Allentown; Elvina Bachman.

Maria, May 23, 1791-September 9, 1868, married to Solomon Fogel, November 11, 1785-May 5, 1857. They lived near Breinigsville. Sarah, married to Lewis Kramlich, who lived in Weisenberg. Angelina, married to Tilghman Miller and lives out West. Carolina, married to Solon Miller and lived near Kutztown. Eliza, married to Dr. John Romig, James, deceased. Amandus, deceased. Henry, deceased, lived in Upper Macungie. Joseph, deceased, lived in Philadelphia. Eliza, married to George Gehman, of Macungie.

Elizabeth, who married Nathan Grim and moved to Milton, Pa., where they raised a family.

Hettie, married to William Shimer, both deceased, lived in Williams township where they raised a family.

William, who died in infancy.

Elizabeth, January 10, 1779-October 14, 1848, married April 5, 1801, to Thomas Mars-teller, January 13, 1780, May 23, 1834. They lived at Alburtis and have the following children:

Thomas, (July 21, 1802-June 1, 1884), was married to Lydia Hower, (February 1, 1802-November



29, 1864). They had the following children: Frank, who was married to Elvina Schmoyer and to Miss Krause and had the following children, first wife: William, Winfield, Oliver, Alvin; second wife: Oscar, Henry, Eugene. John (November 13, 1830-February 15, 1895), married to (a) Sarah A. Kline, May 11, 1832-February 24, 1857; (b) Sarah A. E. Heinley, June 15, 1836-October 16, 1879; (c) Jane Shell. With the first wife were the following children: Oscar; Catharine, wife of George Berger; with the second wife were Wallace, Howard, Victor, Araminda, wife of Percival Nuss (Alburtis); Viola, first wife of Hershel Shankweiler. Thomas, April 29, 1832-April 11, 1909, married to Hannah Hainer, February 12, 1830-December 18, 1909. They had the following children, Albert; Jeremiah; Ambrose; Alice, wife of Oscar Wenner; Thomas. Catharine, March 31, 1836-February 7, 1911, married to David Hensinger, October 17, 1842, and lived at Alburtis. They had Irene, married to Samuel Becker, of Shamrock; Victoria, married to Milton Kemmerer; Rosa, wife of Harry Koch; Miss Almedia.

Mrs. Ritter, of Allentown, who also has a family including Sarah, widow of the late Rev. Brobst.

Miss Catharine September 27, 1786-August 14, 1848.

Samuel Butz, August 10, 1750-August 17, 1821, son of Peter II, was born and reared in Longswamp. He was a farmer and blacksmith. When the second Longswamp church was erected he made all the iron for the structural work. He lived on the original homestead near Topton. On Dec. 13, 1774, he was married to Anna Maria Romig, May 31, 1754-February 20, 1813, of Lower Macungie. They had the following children:

Peter, October 29, 1775-August 19, 1874. He was married to Susanna Bieber. He followed the trade of his father, blacksmithing, and conducted a farm in Whitehall.

They had the following children: Samuel, of North Whitehall, who had William, deceased; Peter; Louisa; Katie. Egedius (September 30, 1805-May 28, 1890), on March 11, 1827, was married to Elizabeth Bieber (July 10, 1810-October 16, 1877), and lived in Maxatawny. They had: Abraham, December 12, 1827-December 17, 1827; Mary (March 28, 1829-February 19, 1913), married to David Kemp. This union was blessed with the following children: Cyrus, deceased; Susan, Eliza, Hannah. Lewis, Sarah, George, Louisa, Charles, Morris and Milton. Fianna, January 12, 1832-January 14, 1836. Susanna, December 15, 1833-January 3, 1836. Lovina (b. June 11, 1835), was married to Kaston Huber, of New York City. They had Alfred, Edwin, Katie, William, Clara, Ernest and Lovina. Lewis B. (b. January 27, 1837), is married to Catherine Kieffer and lives at Kutztown. They have Amos; John, deceased; Ella, wife of Seldon Gernet, Allentown; Alfred, Philadelphia, and Ida, married to Wm. Smith, of Philadelphia. Sarah Ann (b. February 22, 1839), is married to Henry Koller. They had two children, both deceased. Peter Samuel, born May 19, 1841, single. Anna Elizabeth (January 18, 1843), married to William

DeTurck, Kutztown, issue: Alvin, of Kutztown; Eugene, of Kutztown. Louise Catharine (b. April 18, 1846), is married to Dr. J. R. Levan, of Philadelphia, issue: Sallie, deceased; Frank, deceased; and Dr. George, of Philadelphia. Caroline Ellen (b. April 7, 1848), is married to J. Daniel Sharadin, Kutztown, issue: Catharine Maria, dec.; Prof. Henry William, Ellen M. Miller, Howard S., Esq., Francis E., Dr. Ralph C., Clarence, dec. Miss Clara Matilda, May 7, 1851, Kutztown. Elmira L. (b. May 15, 1853), is married to Henry Roth, Philadelphia. They have one son, Irwin.

Catharine, March 25, 1777, —, married to Jacob Seibert. They lived in District and had no children.

John, April 27, 1779-August 19, 1874, married to Anna Yeager, of Oley, January 12, 1788-August 24, 1828. They lived in Longswamp. They had eight children of whom three reached majority:

Nathan, December 29, 1806, moved to Schuylkill Haven, where he raised a large family. Jacob, July 31, 1808, married Elizabeth Christman, May 28, 1809-November, 1895. They lived in Oley and had the following children: Daniel C., August 26, 1831 who lives in Oley township. He was married to Susan D. Hoch. They have one daughter, Mary, widow of William Marquette. John Peter, 1833, deceased. Susanna, 1841, deceased. Catharine, 1848, married Peter Griesemer, Reading; Jacob, 1851, deceased; Franklin, 1835, Reading. Fianna, 1837. Henry, 1839, deceased. Mary Ann, March 31, 1815-May 29, 1881, married to James Butz, of Lower Macungie of John III (son of Peter II).

Susanna, March 6, 1781, married Joseph DeLong (March 20, 1782-January 24, 1874). They lived near Bowers, and had issue:

Catharine, November 28, 1812-June 16, 1886, married March 4, 1813, to Peter Hensinger, of Hensingersville, Pa. They had ten children: Joseph, February 6, 1842-February 6, 1900, married to Mary Ann Desh. They had the following children: Jane, married to Joseph Schmoyer, of Alburtis; Sarah, married to D. K. Keller, Esq., of Alburtis; James, deceased; Peter, Allen, William, Alice, all of Alburtis. Mary A., May 3, 1836-September 6, 1909, married to John Saul, both deceased. They lived at Alburtis and had no children. Susan, January 16, 1830-May 17, 1869, married to William Jacob, near Alburtis. They had Henry, John, James, Oswin and Frank. Reuben, who died young. David, married to Catharine Marsteller, grand daughter of Elizabeth Butz, daughter of John III. Peter, who lives at Allentown. James F., October 5, 1850-January 28, 1896. Eliza, December 28, 1846, wife of James Knedler, Alburtis. They have Erwin, Alice, wife of Rev. George Hertzog, of Phoenixville, and Dr. Warren, of Mascon, Pa. Catharine Anna, January 30, 1834-November 23, 1901, married to Charles Shankweiler, late of Alburtis. They had Allen, deceased; Peter, Harrison, Morris, Howard, Hershel, Martha, Florence, Mantana and Agnes. Sarah A., December, 1848-September 14, 1898, married to Sassaman Kline, late of Emaus. They had Elvin, Ida, Mary, Harvey, James, Cora, Carrie, George. The latter two died in infancy.

Francis DeLong, married to Esther Schaeffer. They had six children: Susan, married to Isaac Kutz; Joseph, married to Kate Siegfried, Topton; Maria, married to Rev. D. K. Humbert, Bowers; James, married to Ida Hottenstein, Bowers; Dr. John F., married to Amansa Laubach, Bethlehem; Winfield, married to Andora Sharadin, Bowers; and Hettie.

Jane, married to Reuben Miller.

Esther, December 30, 1783-August 2, 1848, married to David Weiser, August 3, 1784-February 11, 1728. They lived near Bowers and had the following children:

Elijah, September 14, 1812-January 29, 1809, married to Esther Bieber. They had the following children: Emma, married to Moses Grim, Bowers; Andorah, married to David Hamsher, Bowers; Jerosa, married to Peter Kieffer, of Kutztown; Miss Louisa, deceased November 8, 1907; Mary, married to Jonathan DeLong, Bowers; Ezra, married Miss Sharffer, Chicago; Daniel, deceased.

Hettie, October 19, 1818, married Jonas Miller. They had the following children: Jemina, married to Dr. E. J. Fogel, late of Fogelsville, and Sallie, wife of Dr. Conrad, of Robesonia.

David, June 11, 1822-January 25, 1899, married to Catharine Fisher. They had issue: Sarah Amanda, married to John Schwoyer, of Kutztown, R. F. D.; Alvin, married to Elizabeth Henning, Topton; Ellen, married to Clarence Levan, Topton; Charles and Anne, died in infancy.

William, married Miss Bieber. They had Sarah, David, Daniel, Meliam, William, who died in infancy.

Elizabeth, November 28, 1788-October 31, 1791.

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Mary, April 5, 1793-April 4, 1862, married to Daniel Folk, December 9, 1791-October 28, 1792, Longswamp. They had the following children:

Aaron, September 8, 1816-October 27, 1847; Eliza, married Samuel Lichtenwalter, issue: Samuel, deceased; Sarah, married to Israel Stettler, Trezler-town; Hettie, deceased; Susan Stella, late of Fogelsville. They had one son, Dr. William. Lewis, of Chapmans. Kate, February 18, 1819-January 9, 1851. Charles, November 15, 1826-February 6, 1905, married to Roselinda Schwoyer, March 12, 1832-July 14, 1912. They lived in Longswamp and had issue: Van Allen, deceased; Agnes, married Lefinus Lichtenwalter, deceased; Peranius, deceased, married Effie Ritter, Monterey; Rosa, married Milton Raubenhold, Reading; Clara, deceased; Mantana, married Dr. Frank Brobst, Reading; Alice, married Daniel Shiery, late of Allentown; Charles B., married Sarah Long, Longswamp. Mary, married James Schaeffer, Salisbury, they had the following children: Catharine, Miss Maria, Amanda, Daniel and Rev. George. Hettie, May 5, 1825-December 11, 1891, married David Fisher, December 20, 1822-November 10, 1901. They lived at Lyons, Pa. Sallie Ann, married to John Merkel, Weisenburg. They had the following children: Peter, Mantana, Charles, Harvey, all deceased; Albert, of Maxatawny; William; Catharine, wife of Clayton Trexler 20, 1822-December 14, 1881. They lived in

ler, Breinigsville. Caroline, February 18, 1832-February 14, 1898, married Jacob Rohrbach, Novem-Rockland and had the following children: Cyrenius, deceased, married to Sarah Springer; Sylvester D., married to Ida Schmoeyer, Topton; Oliver C., deceased, married to Priscilla S. Croll, Topton; Emma Elizabeth, married John P. Hammes, Lyons; Priscilla Mary, married Albert Kutz, Reading; infant son, deceased. Fyetta, January 25, 1835, married Willoughby Good, October 16, 1836, Lyons. They have the following children: Ulysses, deceased; Elmer, deceased; Rev. Morris, married Alice Anewalt, Oscar, deceased; Alice, married Clayton Freeman; Lizzie, deceased; Ellen, married J. N. Williams, Philadelphia; Rev. William, married Cora Kutz, Bellwood, Pa.

William Butz, the father of Rev. C. A. Butz, was a son of Peter and Elizabeth, *nee* Schmeyer Butz, was born on the old Butz homestead June 20, 1817, and was baptized in the same year by Rev. John Helfrich, the sponsors were Solomon Schmeyer and wife, Catherine. As a young man he learned the art of carpentering. He was united in holy wedlock with Sarah Anna Haas, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Haas, of Macungie, by Rev. Bassler, December 21, 1845. He resided on a farm near Alburtis where in addition to tilling the soil he was extensively engaged in contracting and building. To him and his wife, Sarah Anna, who died January 1, 1867, were born twelve children: Adaline, born March 10, 1846, was married to James Christman, of Sig-mund, Lehigh county; Tervilla, born September 24, 1847, died July 17, 1849; Peter Alfred married to Rose Miller; Leisa Amanda born July 16, 1850, died March 9, 1852; James Calvin, born February 2, 1853, died April 10, 1857; Anna Maria Elizabeth, born May 25, 1854, married James Dresher, they reside at Reading; Sallie Anna Mantana; born August 16, 1855, is married to George Albright and resides at Newberry Junction, near Williamsport; William Oscar, born July 11, 1857, is a successful business man, residing at Mountain View, Santa Clara, California; Jonathan Franklin, born February 26, 1859, died June 19, 1878; Allen Jane Clara, born June, 1860, is married to Rev. M. H. Brensinger; Mary Carlina, born June 6, 1861, died October 6, 1861, and Harvey Elmer, born May 9, 1864. The latter is single and resides at Alburtis. He was married a second time to Mrs. Hannah Floranda Long, a daughter of John Peter and Rachel (Diener) Fegley. They had issue: William Peter Alfred, born January 3, 1869, married to Minnie Geiger; Emma Louisa, born April 28, 1871, died June 3, 1882; Rev. Charles A. and Minnie Alice, born July 17, 1877, and died June 12, 1882.

Mr. Butz was a man of temperate habits, calm disposition and possessed of a deep spiritual nature. He died November 4, 1883, and was bur-



ied in the family plot at the Longswamp Church of which he was a life long and devoted member.

REV. CHARLES ALLABOR BUTZ, A.M., was born near Alburtis March 14, 1874. At the age of nine he removed with his mother to Shamrock. He attended the public schools, and later the Kutztown State Normal School, at Kutztown. In the fall of 1893 he entered Ursinus College from which he was graduated with honors in the spring of 1899, taking high rank in German. He represented his class and his literary society (Zwinglian) in various literary and oratorical contests. He was a member of the editorial staff of the *Ursinus Bulletin* for two years and the artist for the college annual "Ruby" for 1898. In the fall of 1899 he entered the Ursinus School of Theology and from which he was graduated with honors in the spring of 1902. During the senior year he won a special prize in Church history. While a student in the seminary he pursued a special course in psychology at the University of Pennsylvania. He was licensed to preach the gospel by Lehigh Classis, in Trinity Church, Allentown, and on August 1, 1902, entered upon the work of the holy ministry in the Towamensing charge, East Pennsylvania Classis. Here he attained splendid results. The standard of benevolence was raised, a new congregation was organized at Bowmansville and a Sunday school started at Palmerton, which has since developed into a promising mission. In the fall of 1903 he received a call from the Bethel charge, Lebanon Classis. Before leaving the Towamensing charge he collected the greater part of the money for the church of the new congregation at Bowmansville, which was dedicated free of debt. His work in the Bethel charge was equally as successful as that of his first charge. He compiled and published histories of each of the congregations. Those of St. John's (Fredericksburg and St. Paul's, Klopp's), being rather comprehensive. In 1908 he accepted a call from the Dryland Charge, East Pennsylvania Classis, consisting of the Dryland (Hecktown) and Zion's (N. Bethlehem) congregations. At Zion's congregation the mortgage which was a burden for many years has been liquidated and a pipe organ installed and at Dryland, with the assistance of Rev. Klick, his colleague, a union constitution was adopted, which resulted in bringing order out of a long and bitter strife.

In the spring of 1904 he was married to Jennie B. Fritch, a daughter of Levi and Sarah (Miller) Fritch, of Mertztown, Pa. She is a graduate of K. S. N. S., at Kutztown; before her marriage she taught three terms in the public schools. This union is blessed with two daughters, Geraldine

Euroma, born January 29, 1906, and Arline Fritch Butz, born June 20, 1913.

In 1906 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the degree of A.M. In spite of his activities, Rev. Butz finds time for art and literature. He has executed credible work in oil, water color, pastelle and pen and ink. They reside in Bethlehem.

VICTOR S. BUTZ, son of James, farmer of Ruchsville, North Whitehall township, was born August 7, 1862. He was reared on the farm and educated in the public schools. As a young man he worked in the car shops at Stenton (now Northampton). In 1888 he began farming in Whitehall; two years later he moved to North Whitehall when he conducted a large farm and sold his dairy products in Egypt. In 1905 he removed to a splendid farm of 29 acres near Ruchsville, the original Owen Schadt homestead. He is a member of Mickley's Reformed congregation, in which he served as deacon for several years. In politics he is a Democrat. On January 11, 1890, he was united in holy wedlock with Tevilla S. Ruch. This union is blessed with four children: Lee J. J., a brass moulder; Lasta A.; Mamie A.; and Anna I.

ELMER W. BUTZ, postmaster of Breinigsville, is a son of the late Jonathan Butz, who was a son of Franklin Butz, and was born October 22, 1834, and died at Breinigsville March 13, 1907. He was reared on the farm in the family of his uncle, Stephen Butz. As a young man he entered upon a clerkship in James Schaeffer's general store, whom he succeeded in business in 1861, continuing to conduct it for a period of almost half a century. He was a member of the school board of Upper Macungie for many years, acting most of the time as secretary of the board. He was a faithful member of the Lehigh Reformed church congregation, serving at various times in capacity of deacon, elder and trustee. He was married to Eliza Schmoyer, a daughter of David and Judith (Haas) Schmoyer, who still survives him. They had issue: Oliver F., who was drowned in western Pennsylvania July, 1907; Oscar J., of Allentown; Clinton D., of Allentown; Annie C., married to George Kohler, Coplay; Harvey P., Seattle, Washington; Elmer W. and Minnie E. (1879-1880).

Elmer W. Butz was born May 31, 1872. He was educated in the local schools and the K. S. N. S., of Kutztown, Pa. He was engaged in business at Philadelphia for a period of six years returning to Breinigsville in 1902 on account of his father's failing health. In 1907 he succeeded his father in business and in 1911 succeeded his brother, Oscar J. Butz, as postmaster. Mr. Butz

enjoys fellowship in Israel Commandery, No. 148 Knights of Malta, Wescoesville, and since May, 1911, serves as District Deputy Grand Commander. He is a member of the Lehigh Reformed church congregation. In politics he is a Republican.

Abraham Butz, son of John, was born April 26, 1776, in Long Swamp township, Berks county. In 1793 he moved to Whitehall township, Lehigh county, where he purchased the land now embraced in a portion of the property of the Thomas Iron Company, of Hockendauqua. Here he followed the occupation of a farmer until his death which occurred on Dec. 10, 1826. He was united in marriage to Esther Egner. Two children were born to them—Thomas and Anna, married to Peter Mickley.

Thomas Butz, son of Abraham, was born in Nov. 3, 1798. He was reared on the farm and chose the agricultural pursuit as his life's work, which he followed until 1853, when he retired and two years later made his home in Allentown. Later he returned to Whitehall township and in 1869 he again moved to Allentown where he continued to reside until his death on March 24, 1880. Mr. Butz was possessed of strong force of character, great aptitude for business and a matured judgment, which rendered his counsel invaluable. For a number of years he was a member of the Reformed congregation of the Egypt church. He was one of the founders and contributed liberally to the erection of Whitehall church and served as treasurer of the building fund. He was married to Maria Elizabeth Beil, of Northampton county. They had five children: John Peter; T. Franklin; Eliza; Ann (Mrs. Daniel Troxell), and Elenora L. S.

Franklin Butz, son of Thomas, was born in Whitehall township, July 25, 1826. He received his education in the school of the neighborhood and at Still Valley, N. J. He worked on the farm for his father and from 1849 to 1855 he cultivated his father's farm on shares and became the owner of the same in the latter year. He retired from the active management of the farm in 1876. He was married in 1849 to Diana, a daughter of Jonathan Ott, of Hanover township. This union was blessed with two children: Thomas J., and Anna (Mrs. James P. Glidner). Mrs. Butz was born Nov. 27, 1827, and died April 5, 1852. Mr. Butz was married the second time to Mary A. Heinly, a daughter of Simon and Elizabeth Heinly. She was born May 6, 1830, and died July 5, 1885.

The children of this union were: Reuben A.; Savannah E. (Mrs. Edwin Kramlich); Ida L. (1856-1858); Sinderella F. (1858-1859); Benjamin F. (1860-1861). Mr. Butz was mar-

ried the third time to Mrs. Amelia Lichtenwalner, *nee* Fogel. He was a very successful and up-to-date farmer. He was a staunch supporter of Mickley's Church, being a member of the Reformed congregation. He filled the office of deacon and elder and frequently represented the charge on the floor of classis and synod. The present church bell of Mickley's Church, was donated by T. Franklin Butz, and his two sisters, Mrs. Eliza Troxell and Ellenora Butz.

THOMAS J. BUTZ, son of Franklin, was born in Whitehall township, Jan. 29, 1851. At an early age he started to work on the farm and for a number of years conducted the farm for shares and afterwards purchased it from his father. Later on he conducted it for father. For 39 years, from 1869 to 1910 he operated a dairy, making daily trips with his product to Hockendauqua and Catasaqua. Mr. Butz believed in making use of all the modern farming machinery in conducting his farm. He has made a number of improvements and the fine appearance of the buildings are evidences of his successful management. Politically he adheres to the principles of the Republican party and in the fall of 1911 he was elected one of the directors of Whitehall township under the new school code, to serve four years. He has always manifested a keen interest in the educational affairs of the township.

He and family are actively identified with the Reformed congregation of Mickley's church to which he contributes liberally, and since 1912 he is one of the elders of the church. In the year 1913 he represented the Coplay charge on the floor of Lehigh Classis and Eastern Synod, also represented Lehigh Classis at the General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, which convened at Lancaster, Pa., in 1912. He is one of the trustees of the Whitehall Cemetery Association for a number of years.

In 1874 Mr. Butz was married to Josephine M. Schreiber, a daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Moyer) Schreiber. No children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Butz, but they have an adopted daughter, Reta Witmer, who is the wife of Victor Haldaman. They are conducting the farm for Mr. Butz. Mrs. Haldaman was married first to Robert Eberwine, who was drowned at Laurys in 1898. They had an only daughter, Irene, who has her home with Mr. and Mrs. Butz.

Peter Butz, son of Peter, was born (according to tombstone inscription March 22, 1783) and died April 10, 1847. He had been engaged in farming. On Dec. 2, 1804, he was married to Elizabeth Schmeier (b. Nov. 18, 1785; d. May



20, 1866), a daughter of Daniel and Catharine Barbara (Keiser) Schmeier, the issue being five sons and four daughters: Frank, Aaron, Stephen, William, Peter, Mary Etta, m. first to Nathan Ziegler, second to Nathan Weiler; Eliza, wife of Nathan T. Haas; Anna, wife of Daniel Leibensperger; and Hetty, m. to Elias Kemmerer.

Stephen Butz, son of Peter and Elizabeth (Schmeyer) Butz, was born in Lower Macungie township, June 3, 1808. His limited education was received in a log school house, known as "Butz's." At the age of eighteen, he was apprenticed to learn the shoemaking trade, completing his apprenticeship at the age of twenty. For three years he followed his trade, then changed to farming, having inherited the homestead. In 1877 he retired from farming, and having purchased the Ludwig mill, operated the same to 1881, when his sons, Allen and John, and his son-in-law, Frank S. Lichtenwalner, became his successor to the business. In February, 1850, Mr. Butz married Rebecca, daughter of Henry Seidel, of Mardencreek township, Berks county, the issue being: Mary, m. to Frank S. Lichtenwalner, of Chalfonte, Pa.; Henry, deceased, m. to Catharine Warmkessel; Allen P.; Amanda, m. to Charles L. Hottenstein, of Allentown, and John, m. to Alice Levan, of Palmerton, Pa.

ALLEN PETER BUTZ, son of Stephen, was born in Lower Macungie township, June 18, 1855. He received his education in the public schools, later attended Pennington Seminary, N. J., and the Preparatory School of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa. He was a member of the firm of Butz and Lichtenwalner, operating the Roller Mills about a mile from Alburtis, from 1881 to 1894. From 1897 he was engaged in the lumber business, removing to Allentown in 1899. On Dec. 24, 1882, he was married to Clara C., daughter of Jonathan Bieber, the issue being: Morgan Stephen Blain, b. June 20, 1884, graduating from the Allentown High school in 1903 and is engaged in the lumber business; (2) Allen Warren, b. Jan. 3, 1887; graduated from Allentown High school, '05; Muhlenberg College, '09, and Syracuse Law School, '13; (3) Frederick Peter, b. Oct. 25, 1888, graduated from Allentown high school, '07, and is attending Muhlenberg College; (4) Etta Rebecca, b. July 31, 1893; d. March 13, 1900.

Mr. Butz died May 28, 1900, and is buried on the Greenwood cemetery, Allentown, Pa. His widow resides at 1521½ Turner street, Allentown, Pa.

The branch of the family in Northampton, Monroe and adjoining counties claim Jacob Butz as their progenitor, who is said to have come from Butzboch, Darmstadt, prior to 1727, locating in

Springfield township, Bucks county. Whether he and John were related is not known. Two of the sons of Jacob were Michael and Adam. On May 10, 1763, Michael bought and removed on a farm of 200 acres in Forks township, near Easton. He was married to Elizabeth Weaver (July 11, 1730—Sept. 6, 1795). He died July, 1779. They had the following children:

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| 1 Christian (1767). | 8 Abraham.        |
| 2 Peter.            | 9 Charlottee.     |
| 3 Cecilia.          | 10 Margaret.      |
| 4 Jacob.            | 11 Mary.          |
| 5 Catharine.        | 12 Michael, 1769. |
| 6 Adam.             | 13 Henry, 1753.   |
| 7 George.           | 14 Elizabeth.     |

Franklin Butz, the grandfather of Oscar and his wife Catharine, *nee* Laros, were the parents of the following children: James, late of Mickleys; Henry T., of Allentown; Jonathan, late of Breinigsville; Dr. Peter, of Allentown; Frank, late of Allentown; Mary, widow of Joel Keck; Elmira, widow of Henry Schmoyer; Sarah; Alfred, of Allentown; and Edwin, late of West Catasauqua.

Edward Butz, son of Franklin and Catharine (Laros) Butz, was born at East Texas, March 8, 1843. He followed the agricultural pursuit for a period of ten years and was later employed for a period of ten years in the Northampton car shops. During the latter part of his life he was employed as sexton on the Fairview cemetery, West Catasauqua. He served his country faithfully during the Civil War and was honorably discharged.

He was married to Carolina Kemmerer, with whom he had the following children: Albert, of Scranton; George, deceased; Oscar W.; Milton and Edgar, both of West Catasauqua. Mrs. Butz died Jan. 14, 1912.

OSCAR W. BUTZ, son of Edward and Carolina (Kemmerer) Butz, was born in Whitehall township, Feb. 27, 1871. He received his education in the public schools of his native township and in 1898 he took a course in mechanical engineering. At an early age he started to work in the furniture factory of B. T. Schlegel, at Allentown, which he followed one year, after which he followed baking business with Iobst and Wieder for one year. When 18 years of age he learned the carpenter trade with Tilghman Diefenderfer. This he followed for a number of years with the Lehigh Railroad Company. In 1891 he learned the millwright trade with Jonas Miller, and from 1894 to 1911 he was employed by the Atlas Cement Company in various capacities: assistant superintendent of construction, superintendent of construction, and manufacturing superintendent. In 1909 to 1911 the Hudson plant of the Atlas Cement Company, known as the "New

York and New England Cement and Lime Company, was built under his supervision. Since 1913 he is connected with the Frank L. Roth and Company, real estate dealers, located at No. 816 Hamilton street, Allentown. He is also the general district manager of agents' specialties. He is a member of the Reformed congregation of Mickley's church and was organizer and superintendent of the Sunday school at West Catasauqua. In 1893 he was married to Ellen C. Eckert, daughter of Henry and Ellen (Laub) Eckert. They reside at 215 North Fifteenth street, and are the parents of two children: Reta A. M. and Edith L. F., married to Lewis Schaeffer, of Siegfried.

OSCAR J. BUTZ, superintendent of the Stuyvesant Silk Company, South Allentown, is a son of the late Jonathan Butz, of Breinigsville, a grandson of Franklin Butz, who resided at Seidersville, Northampton county, where he owned considerable land. Mr. Butz was born March 3, 1863, at Breinigsville, and was educated in the public schools which he left at the age of seventeen, working on the farm during the day and in the evening assisting his father in the store. At the age of twenty-one he took charge of the store, which he conducted until 1909 when he sold it to Schmoyer and Wagner, the present proprietors. He was appointed postmaster of Breinigsville during Harrison's administration and continued for a period of almost eighteen years. In February, 1911, he became superintendent of the Stuyvesant Silk Company, of South Allentown, which responsible position he still holds. To him and his wife, Cora S. Hertzog, a daughter of Horatio and Clarisa (Seip) Hertzog, were born two sons, Harry J., and Ralph H. Harry J. Butz died of typhoid fever while a student of Medico-Chi College, Philadelphia, aged 21 years. He was a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School, and of Muhlenberg College, and had but one more year to serve at the medical college when he was stricken with the fever. Ralph H. Butz, the second son of Oscar J., is a graduate of the high school, Keystone State Normal School and Dorney's Business College, and is now in the employ of the United Textile Company, Allentown, Pa. Mr. Butz is a member of the Lehigh Reformed congregation, in which he has served faithfully as deacon for a period of six years and treasurer for four years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and also of Encampment No. 118, and F. A. M. Lehigh Lodge, No. 326. Mr. and Mrs. Butz reside at 1224 Walnut street, Allentown.

CHARLES P. BUTZ is a grandson of Jonathan Butz, who was a cigar maker and resided at Shamrock, and whose remains repose in the Long-

swamp cemetery, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation. To him and his good wife were born the following children: Elizabeth, married Jacob Frederick; Jane, m. Jonathan Weida; Susan, m. James Weida; Mary; Emelina, m. — Levan; Jonathan and Jacob, both of Reading; Albert, who died in Nebraska; and Charles.

Charles Butz, son of Jonathan, died May —, 1906, aged 77 years, and was buried at the Six Cornered church. He learned the trade of making cigars with his father, but in 1860 he began farming, which he followed for a period of thirty-five years, residing a part of the time in Lehigh county and a part in Montgomery county. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. To him and his wife Sallie, a daughter of William and — (Troxell) Ruch, of North Whitehall, were born four children: Anna, married to Abraham Bray; Charles P.; Margretha, married to Daniel Monsettler, Montgomery county; and Sallie, married to James Hensinger, of North Whitehall.

Charles P. Butz, carpenter and contractor, was born in Longswamp May 27, 1861. He attended the public schools and Pennsburg Seminary. He learned the art of carpentering, which he followed until in 1900 when he also engaged in contracting in partnership with Henry Ross under the firm name of Butz & Ross. Among the many buildings erected are the school house at Siegersville, Schnecksville, Ormrod; also the public house at the latter place. The total number of buildings erected exceeds one hundred and fifty. In 1896 he erected his own beautiful residence at Mechanicsville. Socially Mr. Butz enjoys membership in the I. O. O. F. lodge at Schnecksville and in Red Men No. 97, at Egypt. He and his family are members of the Reformed congregation at Egypt.

He was married October 18, 1888, to Emma R. Troxell, a daughter of Edwin and Elvina Dengler Troxell. This union was blessed with one son, Raymond, who was born March 24, 1890. After attending the public schools and Bethlehem preparatory, he was graduated from the American Commercial School (1913), and since he has been in the employ of the U. S. Express Company. He was married to Charlotte Faust, March 19, 1913. They reside at Allentown and have one child, Van Read Butz.

T. AMBROSE BUTZ, member of the firm of Butz & Co., grocers, Allentown, was born in Upper Macungie township, October 29, 1864. He was educated in the public schools and reared on the farm. In 1882 he came to Allentown and was engaged in cigar-making and later entered into the employ of Levi Fenstermaker, a pro-



duce dealer. In 1886 he and his two brothers, Oscar E. and D. Alvin, established the firm of Butz & Co., and succeeded Mr. Fenstermaker in business, of whom T. Ambrose and D. Alvin compose the present firm. They have built up a large wholesale trade in fruit, vegetables, fish, and oysters.

Mr. Butz was married October 8, 1891, to Miss Ida Fried, a daughter of Henry and Susan (Abbott) Fried. Issue: Charles T., who graduated from the American Commercial School in 1909 and Ursula. Mr. Butz and family are members of Trinity Reformed congregation.

D. Alvin Butz was born March 23, 1856, and came to Allentown in 1882, when he became a member of Butz & Co. He was married in 1888 to Minnie Ross. They have two children: Florence E. and Harold J.

Levi Butz, the father of Elmer Eugene Butz, was born in 1832, in Longswamp township. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age learned the carpenter's trade. He subsequently formed a partnership with Mr. Solomon Frederick and built the planing mill on Maple street, where they conducted a large and successful business. In politics Mr. Butz was a Republican. He died in January, 1905, and was interred in Fairview cemetery.

Levi Butz married Emeline Schmoyer. Issue: (1) Eleanor; (2) Ida, (Mrs. Hiram Sterner); (3) Minerva, (Mrs. Kern), both deceased; (4) Elmer R., (5) Annie (Mrs. Harry Rhoda); (6) William, married Lizzie Phillips, reside at Freeland, Pa. (7) Harry, married Tillie Neuweiler; (8) Almeda (Mrs. Ray Keck, of Allentown. Eleanor (1) married Richard J. Fogel, son of William and Mary (Kramlich) Fogel. Mr. Fogel was a grain and feed merchant. He was a faithful member of Zion Reformed church. He died April 1, 1905, aged 56 years. His widow resides with her brother, Elmer E. Butz.

ELMER EUGENE BUTZ, son of Levi and Emeline (Schmoyer) Butz, was born Nov. 21, 1861, in Allentown. He was educated in the public schools and high school and when his books were laid aside he became an employee of Frederick & Butz. He worked in various departments of the planing mill for three years, thereby gaining a practical and thorough knowledge of the entire business. He then went into the office as book-keeper, and general clerical work, remaining in this capacity until 1892, when he purchased Mr. Frederick's interest in the business and became his father's partner. Since his father's death he has carried on the business alone, with his brother Harry, as assistant. Mr. Butz has upward of 40 men in the mill and an extensive business is

done. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Clover Club; Livingston Club, and of the B. P. O. E., also of Zion Reformed church, in which he has served as an elder for nine years.

SOLOMON BUTZ, of the firm of Butz & Clader, Allentown, is a native of Allentown. He was born March 21, 1870, son of Solomon Butz.

The subject of this sketch lived in Atcheson, Kansas, from 1877 to 1882, when he returned to Allentown, and at a suitable age learned the carpenter trade which he followed for fifteen years, part of this time, however, he worked as a foreman. In 1898, the firm of Butz Brothers was organized which continued for four years doing contract work. Afterward, Mr. Butz, carried on the business alone until, in 1907, when the firm of Butz & Clader was formed. This firm has been most successful from the beginning and erected some large buildings. In 1914 the contract for building the new Lehigh county court house was awarded to them on their bid for \$200,000.

During the years that Mr. Butz was in the business alone he erected an addition to Horlacher's Brewery; Horlacher's Bottling Works, two rows of houses for Jacob Saeger, and two rows of houses for Thomas Schaadt & Son.

Mr. Butz is a member of the F. O. E.; Order of Owls; and politically he is a loyal member of the Progressive Republicans.

He married, in 1892, Hilda Reichel, daughter of Charles and Adrianna Reichel. They have the following children: Alvin L. H.; Irene; Adelaide; Earl; Mary; Theodore; and Solomon.

#### DAVID K. CALDWELL.

David K. Caldwell, a native resident of Catasauqua, was born July 12, 1862, at the age of eighteen years he learned the blacksmith trade with the Crane Iron Company, in whose employ he was for one year. He was in the employ of the Davies Thomas Foundry and Machine Company for a period of four years, and in 1884 he entered the employ of the Bryden Horse Shoe Company, and has been in continuous employ until this time. He is the foreman of the blacksmith department. He and family worship in the Bridge Street Presbyterian church. In politics he is a Republican. In 1883 Mr. Caldwell was married to Wilhelmina Kopp, daughter of George Kopp, whose widow, Josephine, later was married to Hon. Earnest Nagle. Three children were the results of this union: William, who is a core maker with the Bethlehem Steel Co.; Wilhelmina, a stenographer; and George, a machinist.

## CAWLEY FAMILY.

Thomas Cawley, a native of Crewe, near Liverpool, England, came to America as the pioneer of his family when still single. He emigrated to this country sometime before the Revolutionary War. He had two brothers, one of whom, James, came with him to America and is said to have settled in Conyningham Valley near Berwick, Pa. His descendants now live at Scranton, Danville, Lewisburg and in that section of the state. The brother that remained in England was possessed of a large estate and is said to have died suddenly without issue, but was survived by several sisters.

Thomas Cawley on coming to America, bought 500 acres of land at Springfield, Durham, Lower Saucon and Williams township. He was engaged in the manufacture of gunpowder during the war for independence and sold it to the colonies. The powder mill accidentally exploded and was rebuilt and turned into a grist mill. Thomas Cawley died in 1804 and is buried at Springtown. He was a Presbyterian.

His wife was Sarah Cavender and their children are:

(1). Jesse, who settled in Union county, near Lewisburg, and married a Miss Rohn, a sister of his brother, John's, wife. They had children: James, Benjamin, Tobias, John, Charles, Elizabeth and Mary.

(2) James, who remained about the homestead, at Durham, and was a farmer. Their children were: Julian, wife of Samuel Jacoby, of Quakertown; Sarah, wife of a Mr. Parker, of New Jersey; Louisa, wife of David Sterner, of Salisbury township, whose daughter married James E. Gorman and their son, Clinton A., is president judge of Lehigh county; Yardly, who lived near Riegelsville.

(3) John, mentioned later;

(4) Thomas, who remained in Williams township and had children: John, Thomas, William, Absalom, Frank, Eli (father of Cyrus of Allentown), James, Eliza (m. Jacob Funk), Violetta (m. Samuel Bachman), Maria (m. David Bergstresser), and Sarah (m. Jacob Bachman, a brother of Samuel).

John Cawley, a son of Thomas and Sarah (Cavender) Cawley, was born about 1780 and died during the Civil War, aged 80 years. He was a farmer and is buried at the Durham church in Bucks county. His wife was Mary Rohn, a sister of James A. Rohn, a veteran shoemaker of Allentown. Their children are:

(1) John R., mentioned later.

(2) Albert, who lived on the original homestead and died there.

(3) Sarah, who married ——— Miller and resides at Easton, Pa.; and

(4) Hannah, who married Peter Bleiler and resides near Hellertown on a farm.

John Cawley, a son of John and Mary (Rohn) Cawley, was born in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, in 1812 and died in Allentown in 1889, aged 77 years. He was a member of the Evangelical church and is buried in the West End cemetery, Allentown, Pa. He was a miller and farmer by trade. He owned and operated Cawley's Mill, which was located four miles north of Hellertown, near the Cawley homestead. He was twice married; his first wife was a Miss Hoover, and their children were: Elias, Wilson and Sarah. He was married a second time in 1846 to Mary Ann Harlacher and their children are: Dr. James I., of Springtown, Pa.; Dr. Morris F.; Charles, of Easton, Pa.; Maria, wife of Aaron Cressman, of Springtown. She died in 1908, aged 84 years; Elizabeth, wife of Philip Kuntzman, resides on the homestead of John Cawley, Jr.; and Susan, who was a dressmaker and never married.

DR. MORRIS F. CAWLEY, a son of John and Mary Ann (Harlacher) Cawley, was born at Cawley's Mill, Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, April 15, 1857. The first ten years of his life were spent about his father's mill and farm near Hellertown. He attended the public schools, Muhlenberg College, and at the age of 15 years was granted a license to teach and took up that profession first at Lehigh Gap and later in the Second Ward, Allentown. He continued to teach until he attained the age of 25 years, in order to secure funds to complete his education. In 1885 he entered the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1888. After spending a year in the German Hospital in Philadelphia, he returned to this city where he opened an office at 419 North Eighth Street, and soon afterward removed to his late office at 31 North Ninth Street.

Dr. Cawley was devoted to his profession and in this way became identified with many medical organizations and with medical activities. He was a member of both state and national medical associations and also of the Lehigh county Medical Association. From 1889 to 1896 he was secretary of the latter association and also served as presiding officer for a term. Since the establishment of a tuberculosis dispensary in this city he had been the chief physician and had been indefatigable in the fight against the White Plague. He also served in the capacity of examining physician for the Metropolitan Insurance Company. His work in the stamping out





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of epidemics brought him most prominently to public attention and some of his work in the treatment of typhoid and diphtheria epidemics should forever hold his name in remembrance in this community. All of them stamped him as a man of fine analytic qualities and of excellent judgment in his profession. One of his best known cases in his fights for the maintenance of ethical standards was in his recent trip to Jamaica, where he gave the most important testimony against the Thompsonian Medical Institute, a practically fictitious medical institute supposed to have its headquarters in this city and under whose diplomas men were practicing in that island as physicians. He served a three-year term as health officer of the city and since 1900 had been county medical officer.

Major Cawley entered the service as a private of Company B, Fourth Regiment on June 21, 1878. He was appointed as assistant surgeon on November 11, 1888, and was reappointed on January 1, 1891, and December 18, 1896. He was appointed surgeon with the rank of major and assigned to the Fourth Regiment on December 20, 1904, and November 18, 1909. In the war with Spain he was appointed assistant surgeon of the Fourth Regiment on May 5, 1898, and surgeon on May 12, of the same year. In all the encampments and in the course of the trying service of the regiment in the war with Spain, Major Cawley became a man who was known as a surgeon worth while. He did not go in for parade or display but was always busy with matters pertaining to the sanitation and the welfare of the men, and to him their care and health became a passion. It was appreciated too, for among the guardsmen nothing but the best word can always be heard of him. While in Porto Rico in the war he was stricken with malignant typhoid fever and after the war was confined for several months in St. Peter's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y. He served in the Lattimer Strike at MacAdoo and Drifton, Pa., was in the Homestead strike in 1892, and later was in the strike at Shenandoah and Tamaqua, for six weeks.

He served as treasurer of the First Baptist church for a number of years and also taught Sunday school for a number of years. As a Republican he was twice elected as school director of the Fourth Ward, which he served two years and was then elected to the Board of Control by the School Board, and later elected treasurer of the Board of Control, which position he held for two terms. These various offices he served from 1891 to 1897.

He was married Oct 10, 1889, to Jennie Martin, born July 10, 1867, daughter of Dr. Frank-

lin Martin and Amanda (Rohn) Lewis, widow of Arnold C. Lewis, of Catasauqua, who hailed from a line of eminent physicians for three generations.

The death of Dr. Morris F. Cawley occurred on January 8, 1912, at the age of 54 years, 8 months and 22 days. The services were conducted by Rev. Wm. Ward West, assisted by Rev. W. E. Brooks, and interment was made in the West End Cemetery, Allentown.

Dr. Samuel F. Dixon, head of the state department of health, conveyed the following expression upon the death of Dr. Cawley: "The death of Dr. Morris F. Cawley means a great loss to the state." Col. O'Neill in his order said: "His death is a distinct loss to the medical department and to this regiment, with which he was associated so many years."

The following editorial also appeared in one of the city papers: "Public service was the keynote of the life of Dr. Morris F. Cawley. If he had ever had a coat of arms there would have been inscribed upon it the motto of the Guelphs, 'Ich dien.' The greatest men have been those whose lives have been devoted to the welfare of the people. Judged by this standard the death of Dr. Cawley removes a man who truly was a leading man of this community and one whom we can ill afford to lose, especially since the safeguarding of the public health was his chief care, the subject of his constant study and attention, and the object of his most zealous work. To Dr. Cawley the public health was above all things and he fought for it to the sacrifice of friends, professionally, and to the sacrifice of his leisure and his business."

#### JACOB CASTELINE.

Jacob Casteline was born Dec. 25, 1864, in Olberg, Holland, one of five children of Peter Casteline, a seafaring man, who lost his life on the Atlantic ocean in 1870, while saving the lives of others, and his wife, Bessie Pile. Mr. Casteline came to America with his mother in 1870 and they located at Paterson, N. J., where he was educated and where his widowed mother reared her children. She now resides there with her daughter, Mrs. Leonard Brewer, at 37 East Twelfth street. At the age of nine years he began working in the bleaching department of a calico mill at Paterson, where he remained until he was thirteen, after which he worked in various silk mills. From 1889 to 1900, he was with the Reed and Lovett Co., silk throwsters, at Weatherly, Pa. He then was one year with Fichter and Martin, at Bethlehem, and on Nov. 1, 1900, became foreman of the hard silk department of the Joseph S. Mack Silk

Co., at Allentown, the firm name of which has since been changed to Lecha Silk Company, where he is now located.

Mr. Casteline is a Republican in politics, a member of the Reformed Church, and a member of the Knights of Pythias, and F. O. E. He married, in 1893, Minnie B., daughter of Levi and Sarah Hartz, of Weatherly, and has five children: Grace E., assistant forelady at Balleliet's cigar box factory; Vernon W., a silk twister at the Lecha Silk Co., Arthur R.; Ruth H.; and Robert R.

#### CHRIST FAMILY.

Ludwig Christ, a butcher, lived at Emaus, and is buried there. He was a Moravian and his wife was Theresa Everett, born 1792, died 1865, and is buried on the Moravian Cemetery, at Bethlehem. They had the following children: Lewis; James; Samuel; Thomas; Eliza, married to a Mr. Emanuel; Lucy, married a Mr. Weaver; Sarah, married to Josiah Transue; Mary, married to Felix Fenner, and Emma, married to a Mr. Bender.

Lewis E. Christ was born at Emaus, Pa., May 11, 1823. When a young man he came to Allentown, where he learned tailoring, which trade he followed at Philadelphia, Pottsville, and Allentown until sixty years of age, when he retired. He lived in Allentown until his death, August 9, 1907, at the age of eighty-five years.

Mr. Christ was a member of the Reformed Church, as are the members of his family. His parents and antecedents were Moravians, and he was reared in this faith. He was married to Elmira Fried, a daughter of Daniel and Susanna (Kramer) Fried. Mrs. Christ was born November 7, 1827, and died June 6, 1905, at the age of seventy-nine years. They had the following children: Charles L.; Edward D., residing in Allentown, and Emma L., who married Daniel F. Confer, retired, and resides at 338 North Ninth Street, Allentown, Pa.

CHARLES L. CHRIST, son of Lewis E. and Elmira (Fried) Christ, was born in Allentown, June 29, 1850. He was educated in the Public Schools of this city and at an early age became a carriage painter, which occupation he continued until 1880, when he engaged in business with Albert P. Peters, as painters, under the firm name of Christ, Peters & Co., which firm is now the largest carriage manufacturing concern in Allentown.

Mr. Christ is a member of St. Alban Commandery No. 46, Knights of Malta and Allen Lodge No. 71, I. O. O. F. He and his family are members of Zion Reformed church.

He was married to Almira Wagner, a daugh-

ter of Charles Wagner. Mrs. Christ died Aug. 23, 1900, aged forty-seven years. They had the following children: Two, who died in infancy; Harry, Frank, George, and Ella, who married John Yingling, all residing in Allentown.

He was married a second time in 1901 to Flora M. Myers, a daughter of John and Magdalena (Fox) Myers, who were natives of Baden, Germany, and are aged residents of Allentown. They are aged respectively, eighty-three and eighty-one years, and have the following children: William H.; Gustav A.; Flora M., wife of Mr. Christ; Ida L., who married Charles Beary, deceased, later Charles D. Finch, and resides in Montgomery county, Pa.; Alfred L.; Charles F.; Bertha A., who married Harry Mauger and resides at Emaus; and Ellen J., all residing in Allentown, with the exception of Ida L., and Bertha A.

HARRY L. CHRIST, son of Charles L. and Almira (Wagner) Christ, was born in Allentown, Feb. 2, 1873. He attended the public schools of Allentown and later learned the trade he has since pursued. At the age of fifteen years he was employed with the Allentown Steam Heat and Power Company and continued his services with this firm from the time he learned the trade, in 1888, until 1902, when he engaged in business at 22 North Sixth Street. He continued business at 22 North Sixth Street until the Spring of 1907, when he located at his present place, 729 Linden Street, where he has a modern store, carrying a full line of plumbing, heating, and gas-fitting material and employs eight men. Among his accomplishments are the installation of the heating system in the Allentown Hospital; the residence of James K. Mosser; the heating and plumbing of Charles Mosser's residence; the heating and plumbing of George Eckert's residence, and the heating of the E. M. Young Building and of the Allen and Franklin Engine Houses.

He is a member of the following organizations: Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F.; Philip H. Sheridan Council, No. 287; J. O. U. A. M.; Alton Castle, No. 149, Knights of the Mystic Chain; George H. Schwartz Camp No. 2, and United Spanish War Veterans. He was a Corporal of Company B., Fourth Regiment, N. G. P., and served during the General Miles Campaign through Porto Rico in 1898.

Mr. Christ is a Democrat and served as School Director from the Second Ward for two terms, and in 1910 as a common councilman from this ward, and served as chairman of the section board of his district, for the four years of his incumbency.

Mr. Christ and his family are members of



Salems Reformed church. He married, Feb. 18, 1892, Miss Sallie L. Remmel, a daughter of Edward and Maria (Flick) Remmel, of Allentown. They reside at 136 South Penn street, which has been Mr. Christ's home all his life. They have one daughter, Florence E., who is a bookkeeper in her father's employ.

Edward D. Christ, son of Lewis E., at an early age, learned the cigar-maker's trade, following this vocation all his active life, in various places in the Western states. He was located at Albany, N. Y., for twenty-six years and at Allentown for forty years. He has been a member of the Cigarmaker's Union since 1880. He is now living, retired, with his sister, Emma L. Confer, at Allentown.

#### CHRISTMAN FAMILY.

Jacob Christman, a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, arrived at Philadelphia, on the ship, Princess August, on Sept. 16, 1736, aged 25 years. He settled in Upper Milford township, near Sigmund's Furnace, where he died in 1761. His widow, Eva Margaret, afterwards married Francis Wescoe. Jacob Christman had seven children: Eva, married Melchior Bear; George; Jacob; Susanna; John; Philip, and Henry. George, the eldest son, became the owner of a 104-acre farm in the township. Philip was a farmer and had six sons and three daughters. John Henry Christman, son of Philip, was born Feb. 3, 1777, and became a miller in Berks county, near Sigmund's. He had twelve children: Jacob, Henry, Jonas, Daniel, Nathan, Samuel, Ephraim, Polly, Susan, Rebecca, Sarah, and Lydia. Jacob Christman was a miller near Sigmund's Furnace, and married Elizabeth, daughter of George Mattern. They had seven children: James; Charles E.; Jacob L., of Macungie; Maria, wife of Tilghman Schmoyer, of East Texas; Elizabeth, wife of Henry Hangen, of Reading; Elvina, wife of Joseph Schambach, of Norristown, and Sarah, wife of Jonas Hiestand, of Zionsville.

Charles E. Christman, son of Jacob, was a farmer near Zionsville, and a deacon, elder, and treasurer of the Reformed congregation there, of which the first Christman had been deacon in 1757. He married Emmeline, daughter of Reuben and Sarah (Mohr) Schmoyer, of East Texas. They had nine children: James, died young; Elizabeth J.; William H., born May 8, 1867, a farmer at Vineland, N. J., who married Hilda Anderson, and has three children. Sarah A. Charles F. Emma C., married Oscar Kuhns, of Allentown. Albert L., born Nov. 13, 1873, a clerk in the navy department, at Washington, D. C. Reuben J., born April 6, 1875, a hydro-

graphic draftsman in the service of the U. S. Coast Survey, now at Manila, Philippine Islands, and formerly at Alaska and Honolulu. Calvin E., born July 5, 1878, a telegraph operator at New Rochelle, N. Y.

CHARLES F. CHRISTMAN, manager of "Echo Farm," near Zionsville, was born in Upper Milford township, March 4, 1870. He was educated in the township schools and Kutztown Normal School and has been engaged in general farming on the 90-acre homestead since leaving school. He is a member of the Reformed congregation at Zionsville and superintendent of the Sunday school there. He has also served as school director of the township. Echo Farm is a model of its kind and one of its principal features is the large number of chickens which are to be seen on this attractive farm.

#### SAMUEL B. CHRISTMAN.

The pioneers of this family bailed from Holland and settled in what is now Monroe county, prior to the Revolutionary War. The family was founded here by two brothers, one of whom having been Henry, who was captured by the Indians, but subsequently escaped.

David Christman, of this family, helped to clear a large tract of land in Monroe county. There he subsequently owned much land and became a man of much influence. He was married to Mary Andrew, and their children were: Elizabeth, Catharine and Thomas. Thomas was married to Mary Smale, and they had twelve children, among whom were: Aaron, Mary, Lucinda, Elizabeth and Edwin H. (the last born in Monroe county in 1852).

Henry Christman, probably a grandson of one of the immigrants, was born in Monroe county, and there he followed farming and weaving. He was married to Susanna Correll, and their children were: Elizabeth (married to Abraham Altamose), John, Samuel, Maria (married Anthony Christman), Christiana (married Jacob Boyer), Henry and David. All of them are now deceased. The family were Lutherans and many of them are buried at the Jerusalem church.

John Christman was born June 9, 1809, in Monroe county. He was a tailor by trade and also carried on farming. He was married to Margaret, a daughter of John and Magdalena (Falstack) Stroll. Their children were: Edward (who died aged 24 years); James S. (deceased); Emma E. (m. Capt. McCormick); Amanda (m. Jonas Beers); Levi J.; and Abbie A. (m. Henry Eschen).

James S. Christman was born Dec. 31, 1845, and educated in the public schools of Monroe

county and in a private school at Philadelphia. Afterward he clerked in different general stores until 1867, when he engaged in the mercantile business at Hokendauqua. There he conducted a general store until his death on Aug. 10, 1909, having lived there for forty-five years. He was married to Ellen, a daughter of Samuel and Martha (Fulton) McLaughlin, Oct. 7, 1875, and they had the following issue: Howard, Ira S. (who died aged 20 years) and Samuel B. He and the family were Lutheran members of the Mickley's church.

SAMUEL B. CHRISTMAN, a public school teacher of Whitehall township, was born at Hokendauqua, July 4, 1889. He was educated in the township schools and was graduated from the township high school in 1905, and also the Keystone State Normal School in 1908. He and his wife (Sarah Schuler Scott) are members of the Lutheran congregation of Mickley's church.

Mr. Christman is a member of the Auquasat Club of Catasauqua.

#### CLADER FAMILY.

Valentine Clader, the ancestor of this family, the name of which was formerly spelled Kloeder and Kleter, arrived at Philadelphia, on the ship, Lydia, Sept. 20, 1743. He was a native of the Palatinate, in Germany, where he was born June 17, 1726. He settled along the Monocacy creek, in Bethlehem township, and, after a few years, returned to his native land, where he married, Dec. 12, 1749, Anna Catharine Busz. He returned to America and lived in Bethlehem township, where he died Aug. 7, 1775, and is buried in the Dryland church cemetery at Hecktown. His widow, Anna Catharine, was born April 5, 1731, and died Dec. 22, 1794. She is buried in the old Allentown cemetery. She married, second, Peter Beissel, and on Nov. 15, 1780, purchased from Nathaniel Seidel, of Bethlehem, for £127, 16s., a tract of 31 acres, 152 perches. Her son, Jacob, sold 19 acres of this tract to John Keim, weaver, of Bethlehem township, on Dec. 31, 1785, for £171.

Valentine and Anna Catharine Clader had nine children:

Christina, born in 1750, married George Gangawere, a soldier in the Revolution, born July 20, 1756, died March 2, 1852. She died Oct. 16, 1828, leaving forty-four grandchildren.  
Jacob.

Maria Magdalena, born Feb. 26, 1752, died July 10, 1813, married a Mr. Kern, of Heidelberg township.

Catharine Barbara, born June 2, 1753, died

Oct. 30, 1835, married Peter Herz, of Allentown.

Daniel.

Abraham.

Elizabeth, born March 9, 1761, died Oct. 2, 1820, married John Schadt, of Whitehall township.

Anna, married Mr. Hartzell, of near Wilkes-Barre.

Anna Barbara, born April 24, 1767, died Sept. 6, 1847, married Henry Kramer.

Daniel Clader, son of Valentine, was in command of a company of soldiers as captain in the Revolutionary War that was sent to the Sugar Loaf valley to join a force moving against the Tories and Indians. They were ambushed on the trail leading from Easton to the Susquehanna, about seven miles from Nescopeck, between what is now Hazleton and Conyngham, in Luzerne county, on Sept. 11, 1780. Fourteen of the company were killed and three taken prisoners. Captain Clader was killed, after having performed exploits which caused his name to be remembered for generations. It is said that he killed seven Indians before he was overpowered. The tree under which he was buried was marked with his initials and could be seen for many years, but is now destroyed.

Abraham Clader, Daniel's brother, was a member of the company and was in the conflict, but escaped. Nothing is known of his later life.

Jacob Clader, eldest of the three brothers, was born Feb. 9, 1751, and died March 25, 1832. On March 1, 1776, he enlisted as a private in Capt. Rudolph Brunner's company of Col. St. Clair's Second Penna. Battalion, saw service in New York and Canada, was appointed corporal on July 1, 1776, and left Ticonderoga for home on Jan. 24, 1777. He became captain of a company of militia that saw service on the frontiers in November, 1781, and in May, 1782. After the war he kept an inn near the east bank of the Lehigh at Allentown and owned the ferry over the river. On Feb. 23, 1793, he purchased from Sarah, daughter of Caspar Wistar, a tract of fifty-three acres, along the Lehigh for £513, 10s, which is still owned by his descendants. He was one of the first persons in this section to engage in lime burning. He built a two-story house near the river, which is still standing. He is buried in the old Allentown cemetery.

Jacob Clader married, first, Salome, daughter of Henry Sherer, a cooper, of Hanover township, with whom he had eight children: Abraham. Barbara, born Sept. 29, 1782, married Jacob Bast, died April 13, 1832; Joseph; Salome, born Sept. 23, 1787, died young; Susanna, born Oct. 3, 1789, died young; Sa-



lome, born Jan. 16, 1790, married Peter Frantz, of East Penn township, Carbon county. Isaac, born Sept. 28, 1791. John, born May 14, 1793. He married, second, Margaret Kolb, daughter of Michael and Gertrude Kolb, born June 6, 1765, died Jan. 8, 1819. They had four children: Valentine, Jacob, Eve, married (1) Breslin, (2) Nagel, (3) Kidd, and Hannah, married a Mr. Breslin.

Abraham Clader was born July 20, 1780, and died May 4, 1836. His wife, Elizabeth, was born Oct. 27, 1780, and died Nov. 20, 1835. Their children were: Simon, Charles, Abraham, Frank, Margaret, married David Gausler, father of Major William H. Gausler, and Mrs. Daniel Knauss.

Joseph Clader was born May 11, 1786 and died Feb. 26, 1849. He was a farmer and lime burner on the homestead, and married (first) Catharine, daughter of Daniel Gangewere. She was born April 22, 1792, and died Feb. 1, 1832. He married, second, Mrs. Susanna Colver, born March 25, 1784, and died July 28, 1853. They had no children. Joseph Clader had seven children, John, Levi, Paul, Daniel, Josiah, Owen, and Susan, who died in infancy.

Levi Clader, son of Joseph, was born Nov. 9, 1816, and died Feb. 4, 1900. He was a blacksmith in Hanover township, as well as a tanner and lime-burner. He married Rebecca, daughter of Lorenz and Magdalena Schadt, who was born Aug. 7, 1821, and died Jan. 26, 1889. They had three children: Mary Jane, and Ellen Hannah, both deceased, and Alfred J.

ALFRED J. CLADER, son of Levi, was born Aug. 13, 1852, at the old Clader homestead in Hanover township. He was educated in the local schools and was engaged since 1872 in lime burning and stone quarrying, as well as farming, on the 60-acre Clader tract, with the exception of a short period of employment in Philadelphia. He retired in 1910, and moved to Allentown, where he resides at 44 South Tenth street. He is a member of Zion Reformed church. Mr. Clader married, in 1875, Louisa L., daughter of Levi and Rachel (Seiberling) Lichtenwalner, of Lower Macungie township. They have two children: Gertrude Mabel, wife of Fred H. Reichard, a letter carrier, of Allentown, and Alice Rachel, at home.

Josiah Clader, son of Joseph, was born in 1823, and died in 1897. He was a lime-burner and had a stone quarry on the Clader tract, where he also erected several blocks of houses. He married Matilda Koch and had one child, Mary E., since deceased, who married James T. Cooley.

James Tinsman Cooley, the son of James and

Helena Cooley, was born in Hunterdon county, N. J., Sept. 10, 1850. His parents died when he was four years old and he lived with his uncle, Benjamin Snyder, a farmer and saw-miller, until he was eight years of age, when he went to Philipsburg, N. J., where he learned telegraphy with James Moore. He became an operator for the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co., with whom he remained 25 years. In 1894 he removed to Allentown, where he opened a grocery store at 556 North Fourth street, which he still conducts. He and his wife, Mary E. Clader, had one son, Raymond C., who died June 20, 1911. He married, second, Nov. 17, 1898, Clara Rebecca, daughter of Emmanuel and Eliza (Swartz) Newhard.

Isaac Clader, third son of Jacob, was born Sept. 28, 1791, and died Nov. 23, 1864. His sons were: Joseph, Thomas, David, and John.

John Clader, fourth son of Jacob, was a blacksmith, and died from the effects of a kick from a horse.

Melchior J. Clader, son of John Clader, was a native of Hanover township. In early life he was a lime dealer, and later quarried stone extensively, in which business he was succeeded by his son, George H. He died Dec. 27, 1910, aged 75 years.

Mr. Clader and family were Reformed members of the Rittersville church, at which place he is buried. His wife was Martha Kramm, daughter of William Kramm, of Salisbury township. They had these children: Preston, William, Robert, George H., Charles, Jacob, and Mary E.

GEORGE H. CLADER, son of Melchior Clader, was born in Hanover township, July 13, 1861. During early manhood he succeeded his father in the stone business at East Allentown, in which he continued for fifteen years, employing as many as thirty men. He quarried furnace stone, which he sold mostly to the Allentown Iron Co., the Allentown Rolling Mills, and the Crane Iron Co., at Catasauqua.

Mr. Clader is a member of the firm of Butz & Clader, contractors and builders, which was organized in 1907. They constantly employ a large force of men. Among some of the leading work done by this firm, may be mentioned the following: School-house in East Allentown; Horlacher Hotel, East Allentown; addition to Horlacher Brewery; Krause garage; fire engine house of Twelfth ward; Allentown Trust Co. building, the Excelsior reservoir, at Fourth and Oak streets; the concrete bridge in Center Valley, built in 1911, and they are now engaged on the new county court house.

Mr. Clader and family are members of the

Reformed congregation at Rittersville. He is a member of the Foresters of America; the F. O. E., and Order of Owls. Mr. Clader is an influential Republican and was deputy sheriff of Lehigh county under Sheriff Krause.

On Nov. 18, 1887, he married M. Alice Deibert. They had two children, both deceased.

Valentine Clader, fifth son of Jacob, lived in Northampton county, and was probably buried at Howertown or Stone Church. He was of the Reformed faith. He had the following children: William; Tilghman; Sarah, married Rev. Kreiss; Samuel and Mary (Mrs. Beil, of Indiana).

Samuel Clader, son of Valentine, a resident of North Whitehall township, was born in 1825 and died in 1901. He was a contractor in lime for a number of years. He then moved to Coplay, where he was employed in the Coplay furnaces, until his retirement.

He was a Reformed member of the Egypt church, and for a number of years he served as school director. He married Amelia Scheirer, daughter of David Scheirer, and wife. They had the following children: Maria, married O. H. Berger; William H.; Mary, married Charles Johnson; Lewis S.; John P.; Clara, married Frank Schlicher, and Charles M.

JOHN P. CLADER was born Oct. 15, 1871, in North Whitehall township. He was educated in the public schools of North Whitehall and Coplay high school. After leaving school he entered the employ of the United States Cement Company. He was later employed by the Lehigh Valley Car Works; the Keystone Cement Co.; the Manning, Maxwell, and Moore Prospecting Co., and the Atlas Cement Co. He then became foreman for one of the mills of the American Cement Co., which position he holds at the present time.

Mr. Clader is a member of the Reformed Church, which he serves as deacon. In politics he is a Democrat. He served one term as burgess of Coplay and two terms as a member of town council. He is a member of Northampton Tribe, I. O. R. M., and Allentown Aerie, No. 110, F. O. E.

He was married, June 22, 1889, to Ida R., daughter of Josiah and Lucinda (Shoemaker) Fenstermacher. They have the following children: Frank A.; Ruth O.; Hilda M.; Miriam I.; Helen, died young; Amelia L.; Isabella, and May, both died young; Harry C.; John P., Jr.; Bessie, and Robert L.

#### SAMUEL CARLINSKY.

Samuel Carlinsky, merchant at Alburtis, was born at Laury's Station, in Lehigh county, on Dec. 7, 1884. When a boy, his parents moved

to Alburtis, and there he attended the public school until he became fourteen years of age; then he entered the general store of his father and assisted as salesman and clerk until his father died in 1909, and carried on the business for the estate until his mother died in 1913. In the settlement of the estate, he became the purchaser, and since then has conducted a general store at Alburtis in a most successful manner, being recognized for his enterprising and progressive character. He is a member of the Fraternal Order of Americans, and in politics is a Republican.

In 1911, Mr. Carlinsky was married to Maggie Bieber, daughter of Jeremiah and Violeta (Rohrbach) Bieber, of Rockland township, in Berks county, and they have one child, a son, Earl Franklin.

His father, Herman Carlinsky, was born in 1840, in Germany and there received a thorough education, becoming a graduate optician. When a young man he emigrated to America and located at Philadelphia, where he practiced his profession for a time. Then he removed to Laury's Station, in Lehigh county, along the L. V. R. R., and embarked in the general store, which he carried on there for many years, conducting also at the same time his profession as an oculist. For a while he filled the position of postmaster, and conducted the hotel. He next removed to Alburtis and there carried on a general store business until he died in 1909. Altogether he followed the life of an enterprising, successful merchant for upwards of forty years. He was affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He was married to Christiana Rohr and they had seven children: Samuel, above named, and six others, who died in infancy. Internments were made in the cemetery of the Zion's Lehigh church.

#### CLAUSS FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Clauss family was John Clauss, who died in 1748, at Volzburg, near Zweibruecken, Germany. His widow, Christina, emigrated to America in search of religious liberty, with her son, John George, and a daughter, sailing from Rotterdam, Holland, on the ship Phoenix, which arrived at Philadelphia, August 28, 1750. She was born at Kosteig, Alsace, in 1695, and died at Bethlehem in 1775.

John George Clauss, her son, was born February 28, 1722, and was aged twenty-eight upon his arrival in America. He settled in what was then Bethlehem township, now Upper Nazareth township, Northampton county, where he was a farmer. He was a member of the Moravian congregation at Schoenck, above Nazareth, where



he was buried. He died February 13, 1763. He made his will February 5, 1763, which was probated on February 28th, and in it he bequeathed his wife, Christina, one of his best cows, his best horse, and one-third part of his estate, and the use of the other two-thirds until his son, George, attained the age of twenty-one years. He had a daughter, Anna Mary, who died in 1758, a son, Philip, born in 1752, and died in 1781, and a daughter, Mary, who was born in 1755 and died in 1827.

His sister, Christina Sophia, was born November 24, 1724. She married Christian Giese, and died June 13, 1814, and was buried in the Moravian Cemetery at Bethlehem.

His son, George Clauss, lived in Schoeneck and built there about 1780, the first brick house erected in Northampton county, which was torn down in 1904. A picture of this house and some of the original bricks made near the site of the house, are in the possession of George Knerr, of Allentown.

John Clauss, who appears to have been a brother of George, Sr., was born about 1730. He arrived at Philadelphia on October 10, 1752, on the ship Forest. In 1762 he was taxed seven pounds in Allen township. In 1772 he was taxed £3, 8, 0 as a farmer in Bethlehem township. In 1780 his property was assessed at £943. In 1785 he was the owner of 280 acres of land, four horses, and four cows. He was enrolled as a private in Capt. George Wolf's company of Northampton county militia in 1781 and 1782, although almost of the age of exemption from duty, namely 53. He died in 1796. He and his wife, Elizabeth, had the following children:

1. George, who was a shoemaker and lived in Bethlehem township.

2. Henry, born September 21, 1766, died June 8, 1853, aged 86 years. His wife, Elizabeth, born 1767, died January 22, 1844, aged 77 years.

3. Philip Clauss. He and his brother, Henry, received from John Penn, Jr., and John Penn, Esq., November 9, 1789, 279 acres in Bethlehem, which they deeded to Philip, February 2, 1804.

4. John Clauss.

5. Daniel Clauss, born January 7, 1771, died May 6, 1844, aged 69 years. His children were: Edwin, of Fogelsville; John, of Indiana Co., Pa.; George, of Breinigsville; Daniel, of Lehigh-ton; Elizabeth, married Joshua Seip; Lydia, married Jonas Faust, and Maria, married Aaron Winsch in 1813.

6. Abraham Clauss, born January 7, 1772, died May 8, 1847. His wife, Catherine Barbara, was born March 14, 1775, and died May 24, 1852. Buried at Farmersville. He was a farmer and carpenter and lived in Bethlehem

township and also owned a tract of 135 acres in Lower Saucon, along the Lehigh river, which he purchased from Peter Shimer in 1806. His children were: 1. John, who died before his father, and left children. 2. Daniel. 3. Catherine. 4. Christina. 5. Charles. 6. Sarah (single). 7. Juliana.

His estate was equally divided between his seven children. Mary Clauss, single, who lived in Bethlehem township in 1827, bequeathed a silver table and teaspoon to Mary, daughter of her brother, George Clauss, of North Carolina, and also made a bequest to her sister Catherine, wife of Henry Bloom, of North Carolina.

Adam Clauss, of Lynn township, who appears to have been a brother of George, Sr., and John, Sr., of Bethlehem township, was probably attracted to Lynn by the settlement there of Moravian families. As early as 1757 he was a resident of Lynn township, as on July 9, of that year, one of his children was killed by Indians. This melancholy affair happened while three or four neighbors were cutting Adam Clauss' corn, and as they were eating their dinner they were fallen upon by a party of savages. Two men, two women, and one girl escaped; but two men, three women, and children were killed. This occurred four miles from Fort Everett and near what is now Lynnport and the Indians were pursued by Lieutenant Jacob Wetherhold and seven men for four miles, when they came upon nine Indians, who shot at them. The lieutenant shot one and wounded another. The rest escaped in the thick forest, but the soldiers secured a mare and two saddles, bridle and halter, a keg of liquor, and cloth and a brass kettle and four Indian cakes baked in the ashes of wheat meal.

Adam Clauss was taxed in Lynn township in 1762, £9. He secured 136 acres by warrant in 1767. He was still living in 1781.

Christian Clauss, who was probably a son of Adam, owned 190 acres in Lynn township in 1785 and in 1790 had five sons and one daughter. He served as a private in Captain Frederick Sechler's Company for two months and one day on the frontiers in 1781.

Adam Clauss, a farmer of Lynn township, born February 9th, 1781, lived near New Tripoli. He died December 11, 1854. His wife, Elizabeth Behler, born May 18, 1779, died July 14, 1868. Among their children were:

Jonas, Jacob, Philip, Aaron, Levi, Mrs. Jonas Everett, Mrs. Tobias Everett, and Mrs. Jonas Fenstermacher. Jonas married Barbara Fenstermacher and had children: Phoebe, Katie, and Nathan. Philip lived in Heidelberg, near Germansville. He married Polly Fenstermacher

and had children: Levi, Sarah, Joseph, Jonas, Aaron, Mary, Medina, and Edwin.

Jacob owned a farm of 134 acres near Pleasant Corner. He married Magdalena Frantz and had two children: Nathan and Mrs. Elizabeth Long.

Nathan married Maria DeLong and had eight children: Joseph, Franklin, Mary, Abbie, David, William, Jane, and Henry.

David Clauss' children are: Lewis, Alvin, Owen, Ada, Carrie, Cora, William, Ambrose, Harvey, Ralph, Clayton, Stella, Margaret, and Frederick.

Jacob Clauss was a farmer near Pleasant Corner, Heidelberg township, and had a farm covering 134 acres, which he sold to his son, Nathan, and the latter transferred it to his son, David, who in turn sold it to Henry Leibold. Mr. Clauss had a brother, Adam, who lived in Lynn township.

He was married to Magdalene Frantz, who was a very stout woman, and they had children: Nathan, and Elizabeth, who married a Mr. Long.

Nathan Clauss, was a farmer and lived on the homestead, one mile distant from Pleasant Corner, in Heidelberg township. Mr. Clauss was a member of the Heidelberg Lutheran church, which he helped to erect, and where he is buried. His wife was Maria DeLong, daughter of Solomon DeLong, and their children are: Joseph, who resides on Gordon street, Franklin, Mary, Abbie, David, William, Jane, and Henry.

David Clauss was born in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, November 2, 1844. He farmed there until 1900 and then came to Allentown, where he has since resided, and works in the employ of Clauss Bros., wholesale shoe merchants. He is a Republican in politics and served as school director and supervisor of Heidelberg township. He and his family are members of the Heidelberg Lutheran church, in which church Mr. Clauss was a deacon and elder.

In 1865 he was married to Fietta Krauss, daughter of Daniel Krauss. Mrs. Clauss died many years ago. Their children are: Lewis, Oliver, Owen, Adda, Annie, and Cora.

He was married a second time to Christiana Miller, daughter of Owen Miller, and died in 1906. Their children are: William, Ambrose, Harvey, Ralph, Clayton, Stella, Margaret, and Frederick.

Oliver N. Clauss, a member of the firm of Clauss Bros., wholesale shoe merchants of Allentown, and a native of Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, was born October 24, 1870, and was educated in the public schools of his native township and later pursued a business course. He

was employed as a salesman with his uncle, L. D. Krause, wholesale shoe merchants of Allentown, and continued in his employ for a period of ten years, after which Mr. Clauss and his brother Owen D., formed a partnership under the name of Clauss Bros., and succeeded L. D. Krause in 1896. Since 1896 they have been conducting a successful business at 31 North Seventh street, employing fifteen men. This firm occupies stores throughout the eastern half of Pennsylvania and part of New Jersey.

Mr. Clauss is a director of Citizens Deposit and Trust Company since its organization and is a Republican in politics. He served as school director from the Eleventh ward since 1906 and is now a member of the board of control. Mr. Clauss and his family are members of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran church and served in its consistory and is a trustee since 1898.

On August 16, 1894, he was married to Estella Wilson, daughter of Charles and Emma (Rodenberger) Wilson, of Zion Hill, Bucks county, Pa., and their children are: Harold W., Ruth E., Paul O. D., Mary F., and Oliver C.

AMBROSE B. CLAUSS, a merchant of Allentown, was born on the Clauss homestead in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, August 19, 1882, and was educated in the public schools of Heidelberg township. In 1896 he came to Allentown and accepted a position as clerk in a grocery store and continued at this profession for ten years. In 1906 Mr. Clauss and his brother, Ralph J., formed a partnership under the firm name of A. B. Clauss & Bro., and conduct a large grocery store at Twelfth and Linden streets, and employ four clerks.

Mr. Clauss is a member of the Woodmen of America and the Order of Owls. He is a member of St. Luke's Lutheran church.

On August 19, 1903, he was married to Lizzie Fatzinger, and they have one son, Arthur B.

RALPH J. CLAUSS, the assistant secretary of the Y. M. C. A., was born in Heidelberg township, November 15, 1883, and was educated in the public schools and later in the high school at Schnecksville, Pa. He came to Allentown in 1897, where he has since resided. He learned the printing trade and followed this for five years. He entered into partnership with his brother, Ambrose B., under the name of A. B. Clauss & Bro., and conducted a grocery store at Twelfth and Linden streets, until October 1, 1910, when Mr. Ralph Clauss withdrew. Since October 1, 1910, he is assistant secretary of the Y. M. C. A., and has charge of the membership, which is now 1,110. He is a member of the Greenleaf Lodge No. 561, F. & A. M. He and his family are



members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, and Mr. Clauss is a teacher in the Sunday school.

On April 28, 1908 he was married to Anne E. Hartzell, a daughter of John J. and Nora (Seifert) Hartzell, of Allentown, and they have a son, Richard H.

WILLIAM F. CLAUSS, a real estate operator in Allentown, and a native of Heidelberg township, was born May 8, 1881, and worked on the farm until December, 1896, when he came to Allentown and was employed with Clauss Bros., wholesale shoe merchants, for ten years. In 1908 he became associated with Joseph F. Gorman, an extensive real estate operator, and the following year, 1909, Mr. Clauss engaged in business for himself, occupying a suite of rooms in the B. & B. Building, and in the short time he is thus engaged, has established a remarkable record. He purchased seventy-one acres of the Jeremiah Roth Estate, which he divided into building lots. These lots are now practically all disposed of and are known as "Clauss' Addition" on the city map.

Mr. Clauss and his family are members of the Lutheran church. He is a member of the following organizations: Fraternal Order of Eagles, Order of Owls, and Order of Lyons.

In 1903 he was united in marriage to Lillie V. Mosser, daughter of Abraham and Emma (Smale) Mosser, of Neffs, Pa., and they have children: Allen M. and Dorothy E.

Philip Clauss, a son of Adam and Elizabeth (Behler) Clauss, lived on the farm near Germansville, Heidelberg township, now the property of Nathan Smith. He is buried at Ebenezer church. His wife was Polly Fenstermacher, and their children are: Levi, Sarah, Joseph, Jonas, Aaron, Mary, Medina, and Edwin.

Adam Clauss was a farmer near New Tripoli, Lynn township, all his life and was born there on February 9th, 1781. For many years his farm was known as the "Heintzelman Farm," but is now owned by William H. Hoffman, a grain merchant, at New Tripoli, Pa.

Adam Clauss and his family were members of the Ebenezer Lutheran church. Mr. Clauss' death occurred December 11, 1854, at the age of 73 years, 10 months, and 2 days. His wife, Elizabeth Behler, was born May 18, 1779, and died July 14, 1868, in her 90th year of age. Mr. and Mrs. Clauss are buried at the Ebenezer church. Their children are:

Jonas; Jacob; Philip; Levi; Aaron; a daughter, who married Jonas Everett; a daughter, who married Tobias Everett, and Phoebe, who married Jonas Fenstermacher.

Jonas Clauss, son of Adam, was born on his father's homestead in Lynn township. He died

and is buried at New Tripoli. He was a carpenter in Heidelberg township. His wife was Barbara Fenstermacher, daughter of Philip Fenstermacher, and their children are: Phoebe, who married George W. Metz, of Shamokin, Pa.; Katie, who married William Hock, of Shamokin, Pa.; Nathan, mentioned later.

Nathan Clauss, a blacksmith and farmer of the Stony Run in Albany township, Berks county, was born September 6th, 1839, in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, and attended the old "pay schools" for several years and later the free schools. He served as a hired man on a farm until he attained the age of sixteen years, when he learned the blacksmith trade in Lynn township. He was employed with one Heinrich Snyder for five years, when his employer favored him by renting him the shop and tools. In 1865 he conducted a smithy in Lynnvillle and the following year, 1866, moved to his present farm and erected a blacksmith shop, which he has conducted to the present time, and the people of his community for miles around patronize his shop. His farm at first consisted of 16 acres and he continually made additions until now it covers an area of 88 acres. Mr. Clauss built the present house and barn.

Mr. Clauss is a short, heavy-built man, has a full, fresh face, a light red beard and a generous heart and congenial spirit. He is a popular citizen of his township and a Democrat and for ten years was a member of the school board. He and family are members of Frieden's church at Wesnersville, in which church he served as deacon for many years and is now an elder.

In 1864 he married Catharine A. Schuman. Mrs. Clauss was born in 1844 and died in 1902. They had the following children: Sylvester, Esther, Alvin, Sinora, Levi, Jonas, and Samuel.

#### CHARLES E. CLAUSS.

Charles E. Clauss, the retired first brush manufacturer at Allentown, from 1858 to 1878, was born May 6, 1827, at Traben, on the Moselle, in Germany. After his preliminary education in the local seminary, he entered a gun factory in Belgium and was employed for some years until his health failed, when he was obliged to discontinue working there. In 1849 he emigrated to Pennsylvania, and from Philadelphia he proceeded up the Schuylkill Valley, to Reading and Pottsville, remaining at the latter place until 1857. While at Pottsville he carried on brush-making and took great interest in music. He taught classes in vocal culture and playing on various instruments, and he filled the position of organist of the German Lutheran church. He then visited his parents in Germany, and re

mained a year. Upon returning to Pennsylvania he located at Allentown and resumed his trade of brush-making, starting the first brush-factory at this inland town, along the Lehigh river. He carried on the establishment for twenty years when he retired from active business and he has continued to live in retirement until the present time. In 1870 he also embarked in the business of manufacturing materials for making tables, chairs, and bedsteads, and he had continued in it for three years when the hard times arose and he suspended operations by disposing of the plant. It was also the first enterprise of the kind started at Allentown.

Mr. Clauss, having been a musician of skill and culture, became one of the organizers of the Saengerbund, of Lehigh county, and the first director of it, which position he filled for five years. He also identified himself with the Ettinger Brass Band, of Allentown, and he is now the last survivor of this famous musical organization. This band was engaged to participate in the reception at Harrisburg to President-elect Abraham Lincoln, on his way to Washington, and on that great occasion Mr. Clauss, who was one of the performers, was enabled to secure a seat in the representative chamber, through the courtesy of Hon. W. C. Lichtenwalner, of Allentown, one of the assemblymen from the Lehigh district, a personal friend, and he heard Mr. Lincoln's address to the excited multitude. During the Civil War he was enlisted in the Emergency Troop of 1862, 5th Regiment of Penna. Vol. Inf., Co. G, commanded by Capt. George B. Schall.

Mr. Clauss married Agnes Henry, of Cresona, daughter of John Henry, master mechanic of the Penna. R. R. Co. shops, at that place. She was born at Gettysburg, Pa. They had ten children: Henry Otto, m. Louisa Meister; Caroline Amelia, m. Harmer H. Knauss; Amelia Bertha, m. Jacob Naef; Louisa; Florä; Rudolph, m. Minnie Huber; Louis, m. Anna Schoudt; and three died in infancy. His wife died in 1876.

His father was Johann Peter Clauss, a wine merchant of Traben on the Moselle, where he died in 1881, at the remarkable age of 94 years. He was married to Dorothea Moog, of Trarbach, a town on the opposite bank of the Moselle from Traben. Two other sons also emigrated and located in New York city: Rudolph and Henry Otto. A daughter of the former became the wife of Charles Ettinger, of Allentown. The latter was a practicing physician and he had a son, also named Henry Otto, who is a practicing physician in New York City.

#### CLEAVER FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Cleaver family was Derrick Cleaver, of Berks county. He was a Quaker in religion, and his name is found among the records of Douglass and Amity townships, where he owned large tracts of land. He died in 1768 in Douglass township. His last will was dated Oct. 25, 1767, and probated Feb. 26, 1768. In it he mentions a son, John, and a daughter, Mary; also grandchildren: John Hatfield, Nathan Hatfield, John Keely, John Short and William Short.

John Cleaver, the son of Derrick, was born in Douglass township, where he was reared on a farm and came to be a very prominent man, having owned an estate of 1,000 acres. He, too, was a Quaker in religion, having been identified with the Quaker meeting of Maiden Creek township with the Friends of the Exeter and Maiden Creek township Meeting Houses. During the Revolution he served as a captain, and was known as the "Fighting Quaker." He was married twice. His first wife, Rebecca, was a Quakeress, and by her he had three children: Joseph, born in 1764; John; and Ruth.

After the death of his first wife, he married a woman not of the Quaker faith, and upon his refusal to make a confession of his errors as to serving in the Revolution and marrying a woman not of his own religion, contrary to his profession of faith, he was "Read out of the Meeting." By his second wife he had seven children: Peter, Derrick, Issac, Jonathan, Nathan, Martha, and Rebecca, who was married to John Lykens.

Nathan Cleaver, a son of John Cleaver, was born in 1800 in Douglass township, and reared on a farm, and in the religious faith of a Quaker. He located at Pottsville, in Schuylkill county, and was there in the service of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company for a number of years. He was twice married. Among his children by the first marriage were John Oliver, Clinton DeWitt; Hannah, who died single; and Mrs. Edward Hughes. By his second marriage he had no children. In his later years he resided with his daughter, Mrs. Hughes, who resided near Shickshinny, located at the line of Columbia and Luzerne counties. There he died in 1876 and was buried at Shickshinny.

John Oliver Cleaver, the eldest son of Nathan Cleaver, was born in the year 1823, in Columbia county, Pennsylvania. He became identified with coal operations in Carbon county, and conducted the "Coleraine Colliery" from 1849 until his decease in 1852. He took an active interest in the local militia affairs of Mauch Chunk, having



organized a company called the "Cleaver Artillerists," about 1850, which he commanded as captain until he died in 1852. He was married to Elizabeth Newton, a daughter of Baxter B. Newton, of Norwich, Vermont, and they had two children: Albert Newton; and Mary, who died in infancy. They were members of the Episcopal church at Mauch Chunk and there he was buried. His widow is still living, now over 84 years of age.

ALBERT NEWTON CLEAVER, banker and trust official of South Bethlehem, in Northampton county, was born Feb. 25, 1848, at Norwich, in the state of Vermont. He received his education in the Saunder's Institute in West Philadelphia, and at the Eagleswood Military Academy, at Perth Amboy, N. J. He was connected with coal operations for many years until 1896, more especially at the "Stockton Collieries," in Luzerne county, operated by Linderman & Skeer. From 1897 to 1902 he filled the positions of comptroller and treasurer for the Bethlehem Steel Company; then he became twice president of the Jeanesville Iron Works, at Hazleton, and served the company until 1909; and from 1909 to the present time he has been engaged in the administration of the large trust estate of Robert H. Sayre, who was his father-in-law. He assisted in organizing the Lehigh Valley National Bank of Bethlehem in 1872, and officiated as its first cashier; and he has served as a director of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company since 1896.

In 1876, Mr. Cleaver was married to Elizabeth K. Sayre, whose father, Robert H. Sayre, was very prominent in railroad and banking affairs of eastern Pennsylvania, for many years.

Kimber Cleaver, the distinguished engineer by whom Shamokin was laid out in 1835, was a native of Roaring Creek township, Columbia county, Pennsylvania, where he was born on the 17th of October, 1814, and was the youngest of five children born to Joseph and Sarah (Brook) Cleaver, who was a son of John and Rebecca Cleaver, and was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in October, 1764.

Kimber Cleaver began his career as an engineer during the construction of the Danville & Pottsville Railroad, located at Shamokin shortly after the town was laid out, and was a member of the firm of Fagley, Cleaver & Company until 1844. During this period he was also connected with the Mount Carbon Railroad, constructed a map of the middle anthracite coal field from personal surveys, and located the route for a railroad from Shamokin to Pottsville. He was principally engaged in professional work in Schuylkill county from 1844 to 1850, and in the latter year laid

out Trevorton. He was chief engineer in the survey and construction of what is now known as the Herndon branch of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, and was subsequently connected in a similar capacity with the Philadelphia & Sunbury Railroad; he also performed a large amount of very important engineering work at the various collieries of the Shamokin coal field. In politics he was closely identified with the Native American or Know Nothing party, of which he was the candidate for governor, surveyor general, and canal commissioner of Pennsylvania, member of Congress, etc. The suggestion of the Atlantic cable was originally due to him, and a variety of ingenious and useful inventions also emanated from his fertile brain. He died on the 19th of October, 1858.

Kimber Cleaver was married Jan. 1, 1839, to Elizabeth Montelius Taylor, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Taylor, and was born Sept. 10, 1819, while they resided at Mifflinburg, Union county, Pennsylvania. Five sons and five daughters were born to this marriage, all of whom died in infancy and early childhood except Reynell C., and Kate, the sixth and ninth born.

Reynell C. was drowned while bathing in the Susquehanna river, Aug. 19, 1865, while a student at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa. Kate married, in 1876, Elmer Heffelfinger, then editor of the Shamokin *Herald*. Mrs. Cleaver died March 3, 1886.

#### HENRY S. CLEMENS, M.D.

Henry S. Clemens, M.D., late of Allentown, was a member of the learned profession who was a credit to the vocation he had chosen, and to the city itself. Dr. Clemens devotes himself assiduously to his practice and the scientific investigations which enhanced his professional knowledge and skill.

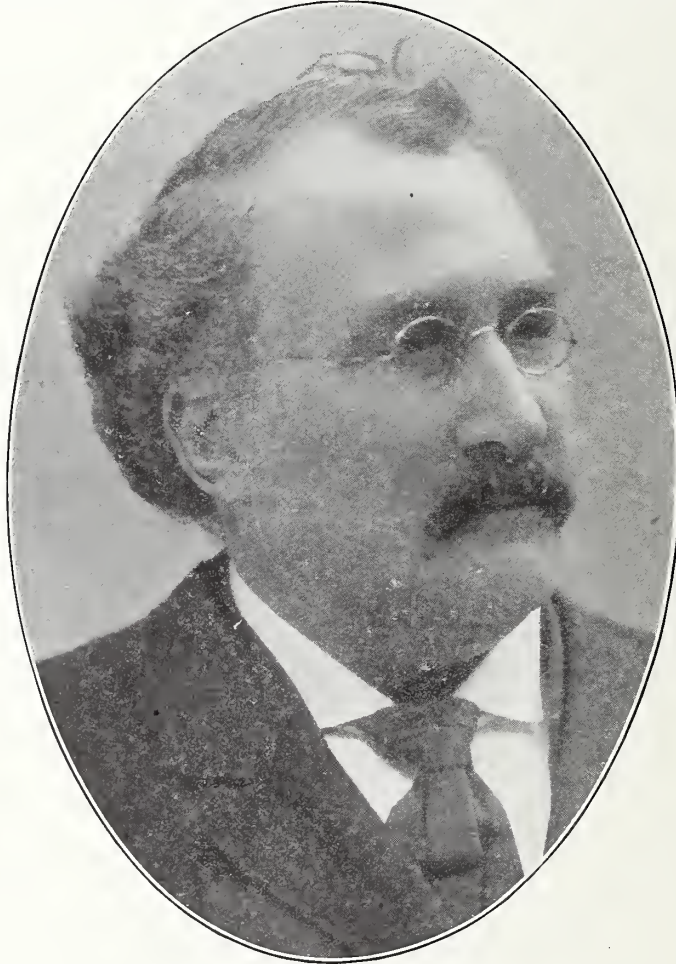
His father, Jacob Clemens, was a tanner by trade, but devoted the greater part of his life to farming pursuits, carrying on his agricultural labors in South Bethlehem. He died in 1872. The grandfather of our subject was Christian Clemens, a native of Doylestown, Bucks county, Pa. Our subject's mother, Catherine, was the daughter of Jacob and Mary Ott, natives of Pleasant Valley, Bucks county, Pa. She was born in that place Nov. 21, 1811, and died in South Bethlehem, March 11, 1890.

Dr. Clemens was the third in order of birth of a family of eight children, and was born Nov. 15, 1838. In his boyhood he was a student in the public schools of his native place, and later attended Tremont Seminary, at Norristown, and Union Seminary, in Union county, Pa. After a short time spent in teaching school in North-

ampton county, this state, he pursued his studies in the seminary at New Berlin, this state, and in 1857 carried out his long-cherished desire of studying medicine. His first studies were conducted in the office of Dr. Abram Stout, of Bethlehem, later he was with Dr. Kitchen, and then he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which institution he was graduated in 1861. After receiving his diploma he began the practice of his profession

as his second wife Miss Elizabeth S. Jones, of Sinking Springs, Berks county, Pa.

In politics the Doctor was a Prohibitionist. He was of a very religious bent of mind, and at the age of fourteen was converted and professed sanctification in the true Biblical sense on the 9th of June, 1890. He took the four-year's course of theology laid down in the Methodist Episcopal discipline, after which he served for many years as a local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal



DR. HENRY S. CLEMENS.

in Hosensack, Lehigh county. Later he removed to Friedensville, where he remained for seven years. He then came to Allentown, where he built up a lucrative practice, and lived until his death on March 27, 1901. He is buried on the family plot in Union cemetery.

February 2, 1862, Dr. Clemens married Miss Emelie, daughter of David Hartman. She died in Allentown, in October, 1870, after having become the mother of four children. He chose

Church. Later he filled a similar position in the Evangelical Church. He was also a graduate of the Chautauqua School of Theology and the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle. The Deacon's Orders conferred upon him by Bishop Bowman endowed him with all the functions of the ministry.

One of the chief ambitions of Dr. Clemens was to give advantages to those who had none. In his labors of love he was called upon to preach



the Gospel and establish Sabbath schools in various obscure and neglected places throughout the county of Lehigh, and, as a result of his work, many Sunday schools were established and chapels built. He served many congregations without fee or earthly reward, and induced the prejudiced to come to Sabbath school, for in most of the localities the public generally were prejudiced against Methodism. For years, at great personal expense and sacrifice, he gave the children expensive rewards in order to induce them to come to church and Sabbath school, and thus cultivated a taste for a moral and religious life. In this way he was perhaps one of the greatest philanthropists who ever lived in this community, for he ministered both to the temporal and spiritual wants of the people. Not only did he preach regularly to his parishioners the Gospel of Jesus Christ, but also, without remuneration, he buried the dead, and baptized and married his people.

When the great split took place in the Evangelical Association in 1892, he did not connect himself with any branch, but went about far and wide preaching holiness to both sides of the division. God having sent Luther into the world to revive the Bible doctrine of justification by faith, and John Wesley to revive the Bible doctrine of sanctification by faith, these doctrines the Doctor maintained, were the true foundation upon which the Evangelical Association was based; and for wandering from this old and true foundation the people were being punished and they must get back to it again.

Nor was the Doctor less active in temperance than in religious work. He traveled through this county and elsewhere establishing divisions, circulating temperance literature, and lecturing without any remuneration whatever. In the Sabbath school, also, he inculcated in the minds of the children his own strict temperance principles, thus aiding them to start aright in the world. As a physician he was prominent, and had a large and profitable practice in the county, until he made chronic diseases a specialty, when his fame spread through the United States. He has treated patients also from Canada and Europe. Early in life he made a special study of the lungs, and pneumonia was the subject of his thesis when he was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, in 1861.

Probably no other physician has done as much as has Dr. Clemens to demonstrate the value of oxygen as a therapeutic agent. He manufactured it of the sesqui-oxide of iron in combinations

with various other chemicals, all the particulars of which he specifies in his will to his wife and children, so as to make it perpetual. He discovered that by combining various chemical gases and medicated vapors a system of therapeutics could be established effectual in nearly all diseases, and which could be administered by inhalation alone, this being more potent in effect than by stomach medication. By throwing remedies into the circulation by the medium of the lungs he discovered that they acted more effectively than by sending them into the circulation (where all curative agents must go), through the stomach. He was the first to discover that from twenty to thirty pounds of beef could be forced into the circulation in the form of essence, by compelling or increasing the powers of assimilation, which is a great boon in all wasting diseases. He was also the first to discover that the vital calibre of the lungs could be enlarged from seventy to one hundred, two hundred, three hundred, or even four hundred cubic inches in consumptives, who are not too far gone in the work of decay in all tubercular affections, by inhaling oxygen in various combinations.

These two facts, the Doctor said, were part of the secrets of his great success in restoring consumptives or all persons suffering from wasting diseases. It was Dr. Clemens's discovery that the heart can be shrunk by inhaling oxygen in various combinations in cases of hypertrophy; that all tumors can be scattered by increasing the power of both secretion and excretion, and restoring every function to normal action by the oxygen treatment. He also discovered that all brain workers, who keep up a good physique by taxing the muscles as well as the brain, can greatly increase the powers of brain function or capabilities by an occasional inhalation of oxygen, whether they are sick or well. When the brain is not too much compressed, occasional inhalations of oxygen will so elevate and refine the higher and finer functions of the brain as to make a Christian (especially a minister) capable of expounding any subject wherewith he may be familiar almost with the eloquence of an angel, so that his influence will be increased two-fold. Man's brain, when treated physically by oxygen in a proper manner, can be subjected to enormous strain and lifted to heights of ecstatic rapture in men of intellect, addicted to no bad habits. This is a discovery that Dr. Clemens had made after many experiments and extended experience. Oxygen, he thought, is yet in its infancy as a therapeutic agent.

## CLEWELL FAMILY.

## AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF FRANTZ CLEWELL.

(Original name John Franz Clavell).

*Translated from the German Moravian Church Records of Schoeneck, Northampton County, Pa.*

I was born on September 24, 1720, in Auerbach, Baden-Durlach. My Grand Parents were French Protestant (Huguenots), who fled from Dauphine, France, with their children, leaving all their possessions behind. It was quick flight or sure death for them. They became members of the Reformed church at Auerbach, where I was born and baptized, and in my fifteenth year after careful instruction in Holy Writ and the doctrine of the Reformed Church was baptized and admitted to the Holy Communion. In my tenth year of age I had the misfortune of losing my father, Francis Clavell, by death, who in the full blessed assurance of Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, passed from time to eternity.

After a lapse of one year my mother married again, John G. Fallens (Feller) who was born in Switzerland but owing to the French wars, which brought ruin and desolation, they emigrated to North America, arriving in Philadelphia in the Fall of 1737.

On our arrival my dear mother handed me over to my future master, and she begged him earnestly to see to it that I attend church regularly, as well as attend to my private devotions, and admonished me to continue in the fear of the Lord.

In the home of my new master, in the vicinity of Oley, Pennsylvania, during the five years of my service, I fared well, but there was little opportunity to attend religious services, because there was no church near. On one occasion I passed a house where there was a large gathering, so that many had to stand on the outside. I thought it was a public sale, and tied my horse and went in. I inferred it was a Roman Catholic Seminary, but was informed they were the "Herrnhuter," Moravians, who a short time ago came to this country and preached a new doctrine. Upon further investigation I found the new doctrine the same which my sainted father held fast and in which he instructed me. The teaching of these truths engraved themselves upon my never dying soul, and through Grace and Mercy sprang up in due time and bore fruit. Amen!

In September, 1744, I married my dear wife, Salome Kuchley (a daughter of my mother's third husband), and we moved into the Oley

Hills. The next year we sold our possessions there and moved with our first born child, Magdalene, to near Nazareth, now Aluta, commonly known as Gold farm, in Northampton county. We suffered pioneer hardships, and frequently the Indians menaced us. Our greatest sorrow was that we had no minister or place of worship. In 1755, the Brethern of the Synod held at Bethel on the Swatavia, sent us a preacher. On one occasion, while my family was gathered around the table, I listened to the conversation of my children, and watching them closely, a terrible fear came upon me, lest I fell short of my duty and perchance one or another of them might go astray. I could not refrain from tears. In the distress of my heart I left the table and went out into the woods, where I expected to work, but my feelings overcame me when I fell on my knees and earnestly besought the Lord that He might take them into His own hands and guard them from all evil, since I lacked the needed wisdom to train them up in His fear. Then and there I experienced such a blessed assurance that he had heard my prayers that I have since felt that they were safe in His hands.

These and many similar experiences which the dear Saviour made plain to my poor heart beside the testimony of the blessed Gospel by the Brethern who preached stately in my house, brought me into closer fellowship with Him: Since the year 1760, when they ceased to hold services in my house, we attended services at Nazareth, until October, 1762, when the first chapel in Schoeneck was dedicated. On that day I was admitted into the Society and on the first anniversary day of the congregation in November admitted into full communicant membership. On the sixth day of August, 1763, I was permitted to partake of the Holy Communion, for which I had anticipated.

But I had another experience. Oh! the blessed assurance I received I cannot describe. Heart and eyes overflowed with thankful, penitential tears. Here I experienced fully what free grace really is. On this Grace my dear Saviour I will steadfastly lean until mine end.

Thus ends his own recital, but his obituary, preserved in the archives of the Schoeneck Moravian Church, and from old documents, the following is culled:

Tradition stated, upon his arrival in Philadelphia he was bound over to a Dr. Heister. a planter.

His wife, Salome, was born in Neureuth, in Baden-Durlach, January 15, 1728. She came to America in 1737, and also served a time as "Redemptionner" in Oley. After the death of her



husband she took apartments in the Sisters' House, at Nazareth, and rested (being constantly waited upon by her daughter) there until her peaceful and blessed end, May 18, 1812.

Father Clewell's real estate, which was sold by his executors after the death of his wife amounted to 294£ 13s 9d and the personal property was upwards of 143£. The total being equal to \$15,000. During his life time he had acquired about 325 acres of land, which was sold for about \$50 an acre.

His Last Will and Testament, recorded at Easton, Pa., is indeed that of the Christian. It bears date October 20, 1792. In his younger years he was steward of the Schoeneck congregation, and enjoyed the fullest confidence and respect of his entire community in which he lived. His married life of more than fifty-two years was full of happiness. Mingled with cares and anxieties. He possessed a vigorous constitution and good health until old age, but in the autumn of 1797 he began to fail visibly, being affected by dropsy. He lingered until January 24, 1798, at four P. M., when his spirit went home to dwell with God. He is buried in the Schoeneck graveyard. He was the oldest of two children of Francois and Louisa Frache (1695-1767) Clavell. The other son was George Craft Clavell (1726-1793) m. Anna Maria Knechle. They had twelve children.

Franz and Salome (Kuechle) Clavell had these thirteen children:

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Date Birth &amp; Death.</i>	<i>To whom married.</i>
Maria Magdalene.	1745-1806.....	Single.
Elizabeth,	.....1746-1818.....	Leonard Koehler.
Catharine,	.....1778-1789.....	John Heckedorn.
John,	.....1750-1828.....	Anna Johanna Klein.
Anna Maria,	.....1752-1835.....	John Fred K. Danke.
Francis, Jr.,	.....1754-1818.....	Anna E. E. Weinland.
Rosina,	.....1757-1836.....	Single.
Nathaniel,	.....1759-1760.....	
Saloma,	.....1761-1816.....	Single.
Christina,	.....1762-1810.....	Single.
Nathaniel,	.....1765-1814.....	A. Elizabeth Klein.
Juliana,	.....1768-1846.....	Single.
Anna Dorothea,	.....1769-1840.....	Conrad Dreuser.

Nathaniel Clewell was born January 25, 1765, and died July 25, 1814. He was married to Anna Elizabeth Klein. Their children were:

F. Thomas,	.....1791-1866.....m.	Maria S. Stauber.
Anna Elizabeth,	.....1793-1879.....m.	John Oerter.
Christian,	.....1799-1800.....m.	Philip Fulkerson.
Christiana,	.....1799-1800.....	
John Gutfrey,	.....1802-1834.....m.	Judith Everett.

F. Thomas Clewell was born April 21, 1791, and died February 1, 1866. His wife was Maria S. Stauber. Their children were: Alex-

ander G., Andrew F., Reuben H., Anna Eliza, Aaron N., Simon G., Robert A.

Aaron N. Clewell, was born December 22, 1828; married Sarah Y. Bachman, and they had these children: Thomas B., Eugene H., Mary M., Alice E.

THOMAS B. CLEWELL, of the firm T. B. Clewell & Son, manufacturers of the Keystone potato chips at Allentown, Pa., was born at Freemansburg, Pa., December 6, 1856. When fourteen years old, he began clerking in the store for Chas. M. Dodson & Co., at Beaver Brook, Pa., and at the age of eighteen years he learned the butcher's trade, which he followed until 1904. He was in the employ of Arbogast and Bastian Company, Allentown, Pa., many years, having been their first slaughterer and then he conducted a meat market at 605 North Seventh street, for them. Later they sold that business to him and he continued operating it until 1904. Then he became a member of the Keystone Potato Chip Company, located at Freemansburg, Pa., which was started by John R. S. Yoder, and afterward he and his son, Aaron F., purchased Mr. Yoder's interest in the business. They continued doing business under the old firm name until 1910, when they changed it to T. B. Clewell & Son, Manufacturers of Keystone Potato Chips. Besides consuming between 5,000 and 6,000 bushels of potatoes annually, the firm also manufacturers egg noodles extensively. Their factory is located at 429-431 Green street, Allentown, and they employ six men. Their potatoes are all peeled by machinery.

Mr. Clewell is a self-made man, and by his success has demonstrated his ability as a business man. He is a member of Franklin Chamber, Knights of Friendship, of Allentown.

For ten years he resided at Bethlehem, Pa. There he was one of the trustees who erected the present edifice of the United Evangelical Church. Since their removal to Allentown, Pa., the family connected themselves with Bethany United Evangelical Church, which he likewise served as steward and trustee.

In 1877 he was united in wedlock with Sarah C., daughter of Rev. F. P. Lehr and Froene, nee Fecht, his wife, he having been a United Evangelical minister of note. Four children have been born to them, all of whom reside at Allentown: Aaron F., Mary (wife of John Mertz, who have a son, John), Edgar T. (a machinist in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company, married to Helen Morris), Ruth (who graduated from the Allentown High School in 1913.)

Aaron F. Clewell was born September 20,

1879. He is a machinist by trade. In 1902 he became a member of the Keystone Potato Chip Company, which later began trading as T. B. Clewell & Son. He is a member of the Franklin Chamber, No. 9, O. K. of F. He and family are members of Bethany United Evangelical Church, and he is a teacher in the main Sunday-school. His wife is Mamie Knerr, and they have four children: Grace, Sarah, Albert, and Thomas.

EUGENE A. CLEWELL, contractor and builder at Allentown, was born near Bethlehem, May 10, 1869, son of Owen V. and Caroline (Zellner) Clewell, and grandson of Andrew Sydney and Rebecca (Michael) Clewell.

The parents of Eugene A. Clewell moved to Seneca county, Ohio, when he was a child, and there he was educated in the public schools. At the age of sixteen years his parents removed to Pennsylvania, where he was apprenticed to learn the millwright trade and to construct all kinds of farming implements and mining machinery. He pursued this trade until 1898, when he accepted the position of foreman in the carpenter and millwright department of the American Steel and Iron Company, which he served until 1910, when he engaged in the building and contracting business. During the past four years he has erected twenty-two fine residences which are reputed to be of the most substantially built houses in Allentown. He built five homes on Tilghman street, between Fifth and Sixth streets, and of these, No. 504, is occupied by Mr. Clewell. On North Sixth street he built numbers 604-8-10-12, during 1913-14. These houses, like those on Tilghman street, have Mt. Airey granite fronts. Mr. Clewell also built a number of cottages and bungalows in the beautiful Waldheim park. He employs ten and twelve mechanics.

Socially he is a member of Fleetwood Castle, K. G. E., and the Fair Council, Junior Americans. He is an Independent voter and he and family are members of Zion's Reformed church.

On June 24, 1893, he was married to Sallie S. Haas, daughter of Joel M. and Sallie (Wentzel) Haas, of Pricetown, Berks county. They have one daughter, Ruth D. Clewell.

#### PAUL J. COBAUGH.

Lewis Cobaugh, the father of Paul J., was a native of Cambria county, Pa. He was a Brethren in Christ (Dunkard) minister at one time, served the Berkey congregation in Somerset county, Pa. He was a prominent and successful business man, conducting a big tannery and a store at Johnstown, Pa., where he died in

1868, aged 37 years. His remains lie buried at Johnstown, where his wife, Susan, *nee* Berkey, still resides. Their children are: Peter, Sarah, Hannah, and Paul.

Paul J. Cobaugh was born at Johnstown, January 27, 1864. He learned the trade of wire-making in his native city and continued there until the time of the great flood in 1899, when the establishment at which he was working was swept away. After which he came to Allentown and was employed by the Allentown Wire Mill as foreman and continued until in 1905, when he became foreman of a construction gang, for the Bethlehem Steel Works. Mr. Cobaugh is a charter member of Lodge No. 157, K. of P., of Johnstown, a member of Pride of Cambria Castle, K. G. E., No. 52, of Johnstown, in which he was vice-chief at the time of the flood, a member of the Allen Lodge, No. 149, K. of M. C., and of the F. O. E.

In 1887 he was married to Sallie Romig, a daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Miller) Romig, of the Mahoning Valley. She was born at Mauch Chunk. This union is blessed with one daughter, Florence H., who was graduated with first honors from the Allentown College for Women, in 1910, and is now a student at Smith College, Northampton, Mass. Mr. Cobaugh and family are members of Dubb's Memorial Reformed congregation.

In 1906 Mr. Cobaugh engaged in the retail coal business with yards located at Fifth street and Sumner avenue, where he owns extensive grounds.

#### CHARLES H. COHN.

Charles H. Cohn, connected with one of the most important departments of the city service, as chief of the fire department of Allentown, made for himself a record so commendable that it caused his re-appointment to the position in which he served for the second term. He is thus recognized as a forceful factor in community interests, and while the cause of his service is an immeasurable quantity, it is nevertheless uniformly acknowledged throughout the city and won for him the confidence, good will and regard of his fellow citizens.

Mr. Cohn was born in Jackson county, Tennessee, a son of Henry and Hannah (Hersh), Cohn, both of whom were natives of the State of New York. After the outbreak of hostilities between the north and the south they returned with their family to Pennsylvania, remaining in Philadelphia until the war was over, when they again took up their abode in Jackson, Tenn. When four years had passed they became resi-



dents of Cincinnati, Ohio, and in 1869 again located in Philadelphia.

Charles H. Cohn spent the first nine years of his life in his native state, and then resided in Philadelphia during the sojourn of his parents in that city at the time of the Civil War, going there in 1863. Again he accompanied them to Philadelphia in 1869. He had previously attended school there and in Jacksonville and in Brownville, Tenn., and upon his return to Philadelphia began learning the cigar-maker's trade, which he followed there for a year. On the expiration of that period he came to Allentown, and in 1872 entered the employ of Ruhe Brothers, cigar manufacturers, with whom he remained until the time of the financial panic of 1873 forced them to cut down their number of employees, and Mr. Cohn, being among the unmarried men, was discharged. He next entered the employ of A. & S. Grim, and later was with James Seip, following which he entered the employ of Felton & Schuman, by whom he was appointed foreman. After acting in that capacity for a time he went upon the road as traveling representative for that house, and a little later bought out his employers and began business on his own account. In this he continued successfully until he sold out in 1893 to Harry B. Schall, to enter upon active service as chief of the fire department.

Even while living in Philadelphia and learning his trade, Mr. Cohn became deeply interested in the system of fire protection, and since that time has been more or less active in this connection. His place of employment was on Eighth street, near Fitzwater, adjoining the headquarters of the Moyamensing Hose Company. When that company was called out to a fire he would respond, although not a regular member. During his residence in Allentown he has always been deeply interested in its fire service, joining the department in 1872 as a member of Good Will company No. 3, of which he became foreman, acting in that capacity for twelve years. During that time he became thoroughly conversant with the service, its needs and requirements, as well as its possibilities, and he was thus well qualified to assume the responsible duties of chief when appointed to that position by Mayor Allison. During Mayor Lewis' first term he was succeeded by Charles D. Grim, but has been re-appointed during Mayor Lewis' second term as the chief executive of the city. His efforts to promote the efficiency of the fire department have been very effective and are worthy of uniform approval. He has increased the pay part of the department about 20 per cent.; and the fire protection serv-

ice of Allentown is among the best in the state. There are two chemical and two combination engines, two trucks and seven steamers. He has been in control at a number of important fires, where, had it not been for his prompt and efficient service, great damage would have been done to the property interests of Allentown. On the night of Oct. 13, 1903, when the wind was blowing a gale, at the rate of 75 miles per hour, the Breinig and Bachman building at 61 and Hamilton streets, caught fire. It is situated at the corner of one of the principal streets, and is surrounded by hotels and all kinds of business houses. It looked for a time as though there would be a most serious conflagration, but Mr. Cohn grasped the exigencies of the situation, placed his men and forces in the positions to do the most effective service, and succeeded in confining the fire to the building in which it started. A similar course was pursued by him at the Bittner-Hunsicker fire, Dec. 3, 1902. During the last year of his first term as chief he had thirty-seven bell alarms and fifteen still alarms, and the total property loss was less than five hundred dollars, a most remarkable record, showing quick and capable service, excellent management, and cool, calm judgment.

In his political views, Mr. Cohn is a stalwart Republican, recognized as one of the strong and able workers of the party in Allentown. He is identified with several fraternal organizations, including Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F.; Greenleaf Lodge, No. 527, K. P., of which he is a past chancellor; Lechawonk Tribe, No. 201, I. O. R. M., and the Patriotic Order of Sons of America.

In 1893 Mr. Cohn was married to Emma Ritter, a daughter of Daniel and Eliza Ritter. The others of her father's family are: Martin; Charles, who married Miss Kemmerer, and has three children, Annie, Mamie and George; Lucinda, the wife of Cornelius Byscher, by whom she has two children, Helen and John. Sarah, who married Amandus Kemmerer, and has five children, Charles, Mamie, Sallie, Gertrude, and Edward; Alice; and Elizabeth, wife of William Marshall.

#### JOSIAH COLE.

Heinrich Kohl, the ancestor of Josiah Cole, who was a merchant at Slatington for seventeen years, and was interested in the manufacture of umbrella handles since 1912, was born Sept. 28, 1732, in the Palatinate Germany, and while a young man emigrated to the United States, settling in what is now Allen township, Northampton county, Penna. He purchased a tract of 146 acres along Indian creek near the Lehigh

river about a mile northwest of Kreidersville, and engaged in farming and also the manufacture of gun-powder. He was married to Christiana Althaus and they had eight children: Henry, Adam, Peter, John, Mary, Christiana, Susan and Catharine. They were members of the Zion's Stone Church near Kreidersville. He died March 2, 1827.

John Cole, the youngest son of Heinrich, was born in Allen township on April 12, 1790. He learned the cooper trade and after following it for a time purchased a farm of 40 acres, adjoining his father's farm and situated partly in Allen township and partly in Lehigh township. He carried on farming there for thirteen years when he sold it and purchased the Esch homestead to which he afterward added 14 acres of the previous farm and built thereon in 1848 a stone dwelling house for himself as his residence. In connection with farming he also made cement barrels. He died April 22 1883, at the advanced age of 93 years.

Mr. Cole was married to Barbara Houser, a daughter of Christian, and they had eight children: Eliza, Henry, Reuben, Charles, John, Peter, Matilda and Susan. They were members of the Zion's Reformed Church.

Henry Cole, eldest son of John, was born in Allen township and reared on a farm, and he followed farming all of his active life. He came to be recognized as a superior type of farmer in the Lehigh Valley and died at the advanced age of 95 years, March 13, 1912, and was buried at Zion's Stone Church.

Charles Cole, the third son of John, was born in Allen township in 1822, and reared as a farmer. He purchased in 1848 a part of the homestead, embracing 52 acres, and in 1860 he built a fine two-story brick mansion to take the place of the old home. He carried on farming there, and also the manufacture of cement barrels, until his death February 3, 1874. He took an active part in politics for a number of years as committeeman of his district and as a delegate to county conventions. He was married to Sophia Mack, and by her had eight children: Samuel, Sarah, Amanda, Marietta, Magdalena, Josiah, Ida and Frank. They were members of Zion's Reformed Church. After his death, the widow made her home with the daughter Ida (married to Stephan Lett at Allentown).

JOSIAH COLE, the second son of Charles, was born Jan. 15, 1859, near Kreidersville in Northampton county, and received his education in the local schools while being reared on his father's farm. When seventeen years old he went to Slatington and entered the store of Williams, Brensinger & Co., as a clerk, and he was so en-

gaged until 1893, when he embarked in business for himself by associating with Walter Bachman and trading under the name of Bachman & Cole. Three years afterward, in 1896, his firm purchased the interest of L. B. McLees & Co., of Philadelphia, in the old Lehigh Slate Co., and, in connection with the store business carried on the manufacture of roofing and structural slate. It was on their slate property that a serious and costly cave-in occurred on Saturday, the eleventh day of January, 1898, which shocked the community.

In February, 1912, he discontinued business as a merchant and became a partner in the Crescent Manufacturing Co., at Slatington, for the manufacture of umbrella handles of all kinds of which he is foreman in the factory.

Mr. Cole is a Democrat in politics and has frequently represented his district in county conventions. He has affiliated with a number of societies: Slatington Lodge No. 624, I. O. O. F. of which he is a Past Grand and treasurer, and was a representative at State sessions for nine consecutive years; and he is a Past-Grand Patriarch of the Slatington Encampment, No. 231. He was one of the charter members of Royal Arcanum, Council No. 2092; and he has been the Financial Secretary of the Vigilant Fire Co., No. 2 since its organization; a member of the Board of Trade, a director of the Retail Merchants' Association, and also a director of the Slatington Rolling Mills.

On Dec. 24, 1882, Mr. Cole was married to Isabella C. Acker, daughter of Jonas and Matilda (Dornblaser) Acker of Schnecksville, and they had four children: Helen (born May 7, 1886 and died July 7, 1887); Charles F. (born Oct. 17, 1888, and graduated from the Slatington High School with first honors); Walter J. (born Jan. 1, 1891, and graduated from the Slatington High School, studied art and graduated from the Philadelphia Museum of Art in 1913); and Raymond (born Feb. 28, 1895, graduated from the Slatington high school in 1912, and now taking a course in mechanical engineering at the Drexel Institute at Philadelphia). The family are members of St. John's Reformed Church, and for eight years he served as the superintendent of the Sunday school.

#### EDMON A. COLE.

Thomas Coles and his wife moved from New Jersey to Pennsylvania, settling about Nescopeck, in the coal regions, when their son Amos was a young man. They worked in the coal mines; but Amos (who dropped the letter "s" and thereby changed the name to Cole) was a blacksmith and pursued the trade at the mines until in 1854



or 1855, when he went to Allentown, and he resided there until his death. He was blind a number of years.

His wife was Sally Ann Frederic, whose name was anglicized to Ritzy. Their children were: William, James, Joseph, Sybella, Sarah, Amos, Jr., Norman, Madison, and Theodore (who died an infant).

Joseph S. Cole, son of Amos, was born Nov. 28, 1833. He was a machinist and was foreman of the Allentown Rolling Mill shop from 1854 or 1855 until 1892. He came to Allentown with his father, having previously worked at Harrisburg about one year. He was married, first, to Matilda Sensenbach, daughter of Israel Sensenbach, and they had a daughter, Clara, and second, Josephine Sensenbach, a sister of his first wife, who was born February 7, 1838, and died February 10, 1881. They had five children: Matilda Ann, Charles E., Edwin A., Fredman P., and Lucy C.

EDMON A. COLE, of Allentown, was born in this city, December 23, 1869. In 1885, he learned the machinist trade, following it with several large corporations until he engaged in business for himself in 1898, at 167-69-71 Turner street. He has a well-equipped general repair shop, and also deals in bicycles.

They attend the Evangelical Church. They were married in 1897. Mrs. Cole was Alvina Wertman, daughter of David and Flora (Miller) Wertman, of Lynn township, Lehigh county. The Wertman history appears elsewhere in this volume.

#### EDWARD COLLINS.

Edward Collins, proprietor of the American slate works, at Slatington, was born in 1882, at London, England, near St. Paul's Cathedral, and there received his education. He emigrated to America when he was twenty years old and located at Danielsville, in Northampton county, where he became quarry manager, and also treasurer of the Hower slate works, owned by an English company, for which he had worked three years (1899-1902), in the London office. After serving this company for seven years he became the owner of the American slate works at Slatington, and he has since conducted the plant in a successful manner. In behalf of extending his trade he crossed the Atlantic ocean eight times and visited the leading business centers of Scotland, Ireland, and Wales. When 18 years of age, Mr. Collins affiliated with the Court Foresters Delight, No. 3542, (an ancient order of Foresters in London), and when 21 years of age he was made a Free Mason in Slatington Lodge No. 440, and subsequently a mem-

ber of the R. A. Chapter at Catasauqua, Allen Commandery at Allentown, and the Shrine at Reading. In 1911 he served as W. M. of the Slatington Lodge.

On May 20, 1908, Mr. Collins was married to Anita Ava Rudolph, a daughter of J. H. Rudolph. They are members of Christ Episcopal church, at Slatington. He is officiating as secretary of the vestry and as superintendent of the Sunday school.

#### REV. CHARLES J. COOPER, D.D.

William Kupper was born in the Duchy of Nassau, Aug. 24, 1722. He emigrated to America and settled in Bucks county, Pa. The name of his wife was Gertrude, and the names of two of their children were Daniel and Catharine.

Daniel Cooper, son of William, was born in Dillenberg-Nassau, Holland, March 31, 1752, and came to America in 1775. He was a member of the fifth company, fourth battalion, of Northampton county militia, Philip Boehm lieutenant-colonel, and John Stahl, captain. In 1790, he is reported as residing in Upper Saucon township. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of John Geary, of Goshenhoppen, and died June 14, 1822. Their children were Jacob, Catharine, John, Peter, William, Elizabeth, Charles, and Daniel.

Jacob Cooper, son of Daniel, died on a business trip to New Orleans, and was buried at sea. He had been married to Elizabeth Fink, and had one child, Jacob.

Jacob Cooper, son of Jacob, was born in March, 1820, and died in 1899, in his seventy-ninth year. He had been a tanner by trade engaging later in the coal and lumber business, serving as superintendent of the Sugar Valley Co. During the latter part of his life, he conducted a bakery in Allentown. On May 11, 1842, he married Sarah A., daughter of John and Maria Catharine (Egner) Horlacher, their children being: Emma, deceased; Charles J.; Amanda, married to Edwin Burkhalter, of Wellsville, Missouri; Mary, married to Harry E. Moss, of Kansas City, and Frank E., of Boston, Mass.

REV. CHARLES JACOB COOPER, D.D., son of Jacob, was born at Lanark, Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, April 1, 1847. He received his preliminary schooling in the public schools; attended in 1858, the Allentown Academy, the Bucks County Normal and Classical Institute, 1860-1861; the Allentown Seminary, 1862-64; Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, 1864-67, graduating therefrom, and entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary, at Philadelphia, where he graduated in 1870. From 1870 to 1896 he served as pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran church in

South Bethlehem, Freemansburg, and Lower Saucon, resigning the latter congregation in 1881. In 1883 he was made the treasurer of Muhlenberg College, removing to Allentown in 1886, where he devoted his time as treasurer and financial agent of Muhlenberg College up to 1905, when he was made treasurer and registrar, serving up to 1907. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Muhlenberg in 1899. On Sept. 1, 1907, he assumed the pastorate of the Friedensville parish. Besides the aforesaid service, he was trustee of Muhlenberg College, 1876-1906; secretary of the second conference, ministerium of Pennsylvania; English secretary of the Ministerium, 1884-1885, and president of the Allentown conference from 1911 to April, 1914. He also served as school director of the Second ward, Allentown, for several years, being elected thereto by the Democratic party. October 4, 1870, he married Emma S., daughter of George and Caroline (Jacoby) Knause. Their children are: William H., M.D., married to Harriet Bettis, of Oakmont, Pa.; Rev. Frederick E., married to Rosa M. Richards, of Milwaukee, Wis.; Charles J., deceased; Caroline J., married to William H. Pascoe, of Allentown; Emma Malinda, married to Rev. F. King Singiser, of Rangoon, Burmah; Sarah A.; Mary Catharine, deceased; and Anna Rebecca, of Allentown. He resides at 28 South Thirteenth street, Allentown.

#### CRAIG FAMILY.

The Craig family are descended from William Craig, of Stirlingshire, Scotland, who, to escape the persecution of the Presbyterians by James I, settled at Dungannon, Ireland. Four of his sons and several of his daughters emigrated to America. The sons were Thomas, Daniel, James, and William. Sarah Craig, one of the daughters, was born in 1706 and married Richard Walker, Esq., a prominent resident of Warrington township, Bucks county. She died April 24, 1784. Margaret Craig, another daughter, married John Gray, of the same place. She died in 1782, leaving two sons, John and James, and two daughters. Jane Craig, another daughter, married Thomas Boyd, of Allen township, and had two sons, Robert and Thomas.

Daniel Craig settled on a tract of 250 acres in Warrington township, Bucks county, where he died in June, 1776, having been totally blind for some years. His widow, Margaret, survived him, with eight children: Thomas; John; William; Margaret, wife of James Barclay; Sarah, wife of John Barnhill; Jane, wife of Samuel Barnhill; Mary Lewis; and Rebecca, wife of Hugh Stephenson. His son Thomas took a prominent part

in the Revolution, was commissioned a captain, Oct. 23, 1776, and commanded a company in Col. Baxter's "Flying Camp" in the battle of Fort Washington, November, 1776. He served throughout the war and at its close was Commissioner of Purchases with the rank of colonel. He married Jean Jamison. Sarah Craig, who married John Barnhill, survived her husband, who at his death in 1797, was a merchant at 42 North Third street, Philadelphia. They had three children: Robert, Margaret, and Sarah.

Robert Barnhill, born in 1754, married Margaret Potts, daughter of John Potts, of Germantown. He succeeded to his father's business and died in 1814. His daughter, Margaret, married Cornelius Van Schaich Roosevelt, grandfather of President Theodore Roosevelt.

James Craig settled in the vicinity of the Presbyterian church at Weaversville, where he purchased 250 acres from William Allen on June 13, 1743, and deeded the land for the church and graveyard to the Presbyterian congregation. He lived to an advanced age and although palsied, was always carried to church on Sundays by his sons. His wife died previous to April 16, 1774. He had sons: William, Thomas, and Robert. William married Elizabeth Brown, sister of Gen. Robert Brown, and removed to Northumberland county, where he died March 19, 1810. Robert married Esther Brown, and died March 19, 1818, leaving sons: James, Samuel, William, John, Robert, and Joseph.

Thomas Craig, Esq., the founder of the "Irish Settlement," or "Craig's Settlement," purchased 212 acres adjoining his brother Daniel's land in Bucks county, which he conveyed in 1753 to James Barclay, who had married his niece, Margaret Craig. In 1728 he removed to Allen township, then a part of Bucks county, now Northampton county, where he was the leading citizen for many years and one of the first justices of the peace in 1752. In 1731 his name occurs as the first elder of the Presbyterian congregation of Allen township, in the roll of the synod at Philadelphia. He lived on a tract of 500 acres purchased from Caspar Wistar, by deed dated March 28, 1739, and died in 1779 at an advanced age. His wife, Mary, died July 14, 1772, aged 75 years. He had sons: William and Thomas. William was the first sheriff of Northampton county in 1752, and had children: Thomas, Hugh, Charles, William, Mary, Sarah, Margaret, and Elizabeth. Thomas married Mary Wright, and died in 1746.

General Thomas Craig, son of Thomas, was born Oct. 26, 139. He was engaged in farming and at the outbreak of the Revolutionary War entered the army and rendered valuable



service in the struggle for independence. He was commissioned, Jan. 5, 1776, captain of a company in Colonel St. Clair's battalion, which saw strenuous service in the Canadian campaign. On Sept. 7, 1776, he was promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel and on Aug. 1, 1777, to Colonel of the Third Pennsylvania Regiment. He participated in the battles of Germantown, Monmouth and Brandywine, and, to use his own words, "served faithfully from the commencement of the late war to the end of it." It is said he was the first officer to protect the Continental Congress and the first to march to Canada. He retired Jan. 1, 1783. In 1784 he was appointed associate judge, clerk of courts and recorder of Montgomery county, which position he filled until 1789, when he removed to Towamensing township, now Carbon county.

In 1798 he was commissioned Major-General of the Militia of the state, which position he held until 1814. Colonel Craig was at Valley Forge in the winter of 1777-1778, and it was through him that Mrs. Lydia Darrach, conveyed to Washington the warning of Howe's expected attack at Whitemarsh, she having overheard the plans discussed by the British officers at her home. During the last years of his life he resided with a daughter, Mrs. Kramer, at Allentown, where he died, Jan. 13, 1832, aged 92 years, and was buried with military and Masonic honors. The procession marched to the cemetery to the funeral strains of the Bethlehem Band, the tolling of bells, and the firing of minute guns. After the ceremonies were over, and the friends retired to the Lutheran church, the Lehigh Artillerists fired four salutes over the grave and then marched to the church, where an impressive sermon was delivered by Rev. Joshua Yeager. His remains were subsequently re-interred in Fairview cemetery.

General Craig married Dorothy Breinig, who was born in 1778 and died Sept. 1, 1846. She is buried at Lower Towamensing church. They had six children: Charles, Thomas, Eliza, Mary, Harriet, and William.

Charles Craig, son of Gen. Thomas Craig, married Salome Beisel. Benjamin Craig, son of Charles, was born in 1822 and died Jan. 10, 1861. He was a merchant in Allentown and married Matilda Brobst, daughter of Jacob and Anna Maria (Knerr) Brobst. They had two children: 1. Charles J., of Allentown, who married Ellen Butz and had six children: Ralph; Harry; Bertha; Edward, who died in 1904; Charles; and Robert; and 2. Mary Alice, who married James B. Roeder, and had two children: Frank C., who married Carolina Helwig; and Annie, who married Hector Tyndale Craig, of Lehigh Gap.

Thomas Craig, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Breinig) Craig, was born in Allentown in 1796. He attended the schools of his community, Wolfe's Academy, and a school in the Irish settlement for a few months. For many years he conducted a hotel at Lehigh Gap, and also conducted general farming and lumber business. In 1828 he became captain of what was known as a troop of horse in the Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Craig was married the first time to Miss Kuntz, who bore him two sons, Thomas and Samuel. His second wife was Catharine Hagenbuch, daughter of John Hagenbuch, then proprietor of a hotel at Lehigh Gap. They were the parents of six children; Thomas, who represented his district four years in the house of representatives and three years in the senate; Eliza, wife of General Charles Heckman, an officer in the Mexican and Civil Wars; Allen, for many years judge of Carbon county; William, who moved to Nebraska, and Robert, a captain in the regular army at Washington. Mr. Craig died in 1858, and Mrs. Craig died in 1871.

Colonel John Craig, second son of Thomas and Catharine (Hagenbuch) Craig, was born in Lehigh Gap, Carbon county, Oct. 23, 1831. After attending the common schools of his native place he attended the private school at Easton conducted by Rev. John Vandever. He was connected with his father in the lumber business, and after his father's death, in 1858, he continued the business for some time.

When the Civil War broke out, he was one of the first to offer his services to his country, enlisting April 22, 1861 for three months. After the expiration of this term of enlistment, he re-enlisted and was commissioned captain of Company N, Twenty-eighth regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry. Among the battles in which he participated were those of Antietam, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, Ringgold, Chattanooga, and a number of other engagements. Returning to his home after the war he formed a partnership with his brother in the general mercantile business under the firm name of J. & W. Craig. In 1882 his brother, William, withdrew, from the firm and he conducted the business alone, adding coal, lumber, and fertilizer to his business. In 1875 when the National Bank of Slatington was organized, he became one of the directors. In 1880 he became the president of the Carbon Metallic Company. He served his community faithfully for a number of years as school director and postmaster. From 1884 to 1886 he represented his district in the lower house of the state legislature. In the fall of 1866 Col. Craig was married to Emma Insley, daughter of Philip

and Henrietta Insley, of near Bath. The following children were the issue of this union: Thomas; Charles P. Insley; H. Tyndale; Henrietta, wife of T. Griffith; Mary; Allen D.; and John D., deceased. Mr. Craig died in 1908. During the latter part of his life he lived retired.

CHARLES CRAIG, teller, of the National Bank of Slatington, was born at Lehigh Gap April 7, 1869. He was educated in the public schools of his home, the preparatory school at Easton, and the Wyoming Seminary. He assisted his father in the mercantile business at Lehigh Gap until 1892 when he became connected with the National Bank at Slatington as bookkeeper. This position he filled until 1902, when he was promoted to teller in the same institution. He is a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. & A. M., and Slatington Chapter, No. 292, Royal Arch Masons. He is a member of the Sons of Veterans, of Palmerton, which was named after his father, "Col. John Craig Camp, S. of V. No. 47."

He was married in 1895, to Bertha Shirey, daughter of B. and Emma (Medlar) Shirey. They have three children: Emma, Thomas, and John.

The first of the name Craig in this country emigrated about the close of the 17th century, and located in Philadelphia. Thence in 1728 Col. Thomas Craig moved to Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and settled in what was afterwards known as Craig's or Irish settlement.

The name of Col. Thomas Craig appears upon the roll of the Synod of Philadelphia for the first time in 1731, and by it we learn that he occupied the office of elder. As it was in the year 1731 that the Presbyterian Church was organized in the settlement, it may therefore be supposed that he was the original elder. His son, Thomas, was but a lad when his father came to this place. During his boyhood years he assisted in clearing the land and tilling the soil, and after attaining manhood, he engaged in farming for himself.

The next in line of descent was Thomas Craig, who was born in 1740. At the breaking out of the Pennamite War, in 1771, he was made a lieutenant in the Pennsylvania Militia, and his record was that of a gallant and faithful officer. At the opening of the Revolutionary War, he was an active champion of the Colonies, and on the 5th of January, 1776, was commissioned captain, being assigned to Col. St. Clair's Pennsylvania Battalion. After several engagements in the Canadian campaign, he was promoted to the rank of major in September, 1776, and in the summer of the following year became colonel of the

Third Pennsylvania Regiment. Under command of General Washington he did good service in New Jersey, and subsequently took part in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown.

Mrs. Lydia Darrah, of Philadelphia, at whose house General Howe made his headquarters, secretly learning of the general's intended attack on Washington's army, then in camp at White Marsh, fourteen miles from the city, conveyed the information through Colonel Craig, so that the Colonial army was saved from a surprise and deadly attack. Colonel Craig remained with the army at Valley Forge, and from that place, April 12, 1778, addressed a letter strongly appealing for clothing for the soldiers and showing their destitute condition in that respect. In the battle of Monmouth his regiment was conspicuous for gallantry and was in the thickest of the fight.

At the close of the war Colonel Craig returned to Northampton county, of which he was appointed lieutenant in July, 1783. In 1784 Montgomery county was formed from Philadelphia, and he was appointed associate Judge, clerk of the courts, and recorder, all of which positions he held in 1789. He then settled in the vicinity of Stemblersville, in Towamensing township, (at that time in Northampton, now in Carbon county). For several years he was major-general of the Seventh Division Pennsylvania Militia. His death occurred in 1832, at the age of ninety-two years.

Thomas Craig was first married to Miss Kuntz, by whom he had one son, Thomas. His second wife was Catherine, daughter of John Hagenbach, then proprietor of a hotel at Lehighon. They became the parents of six children, to whom they gave the benefit of wise home training and good educational advantages. Thomas, now deceased, represented his district four years in the House of Representatives and three years in the Senate. Eliza is the wife of Gen. Charles Heckman, an officer in the Mexican and Civil Wars, now residing in Germantown, Pa. Hon. Allen Craig, for many years a leading attorney of Mauch Chunk, is now serving as district judge. William resides in Nebraska. Robert is a graduate of West Point Military Academy, and was a captain of the regular army stationed at Washington, D. C.

#### CREITZ OR KREITZ FAMILY.

This ancestor migrated from Nassau to Switzerland about the year 1680, and in 1735, John Adam Creitz emigrated to America with his family, settling in Allemangel, in that part now embraced in Berks county, Pennsylvania. His homestead was later owned by Jeremiah Bailey (Behly). There he died and doubtless is



buried at the New Bethel church. On December 19, 1768, he obtained by warrant 154 acres of land, situated along the base of the Blue Mountain, back from Lynnport. On this tracts he located a son who bore his name. The pioneer left children of whom there were: John Adam, Jr., Christian, Samuel and Daniel.

John Adam Creitz, Jr., lived near Lynnport, on a large tract of land. The original tract which his father gave him was 154 acres and to this he added other tracts until he had fully 300 acres. He died in 1812, and tradition states that he was buried in the old graveyard at Jacksonville. At the New Bethel church, there is a brown sandstone tombstone with the following inscription: "Anna Catharine Schmitt, born November 25, 1739." She married John Adam Kreitz; and died February 28, 1824, aged 85 years, 3 months and 6 days. She doubtless was the wife of John Adam Kreitz, Jr. Their children were: Samuel, Jonas, Henry, Isaac, Mrs. Molly Williams, Mrs. George Hartman, and Rebecca the wife of Michael Everett. She was born in 1793 and died in 1817. They lived at Lynnport. Samuel Creitz was born in 1796; and in 1829 married Judith Stein. He died January 6, 1830, exactly eight months and three days after their marriage; and two months after his death his wife gave birth to a posthumous son. Isaac Creitz was born June 13, 1807, and died July 27, 1845.

Henry Creitz, son of John Adam, Jr., was born August 21, 1801, and died September 24, 1871. He lived at Jacksonville, where he carried on the business of shoemaker, drover, and farmer. His wife, Elizabeth Follweiler, was a daughter of Daniel and Dorothea (Leaser) Follweiler. She was born November 3, 1801, and died January 15, 1888. Both are buried in the cemetery at Jacksonville. Their children were: Hon. Daniel H., William, Charles, Lewis, Alvin F., Samuel, Henry, Leah (widow of William Ziegler, Allentown); Caroline (m. James Long), Mary (m. Lewis Neiman, who resides at Chillicothe, Mo.); and three died small.

Hon. Daniel H. Creitz, a native of Lynn township, was born January 1, 1824, and he died October 11, 1893, in Weisenberg township, with his son-in-law, William Benner. He was a self-made man with more than an ordinary education, and came to be a leader of his section of Lehigh county, having possessed pronounced convictions and advocating earnestly and successfully what he believed was for the best interests of his community. In politics he was an uncompromising Democrat, and during the Rebellion had strong friends but bitter enemies.

Mr. Creitz served in the school board many

years; also as a member of the General Assembly for three terms, 1868, 1869, and 1870. He officiated as a Justice of the Peace for twenty-five years, and as a prison warden of the county for one year. He was a blacksmith by trade at Jacksonville for thirty years; and he owned and conducted a farm in Lynn township (now the property of Victor Snyder), and there he lived from 1855 until 1893. He and his brother Alvin F., owned the farm which is now the property of James W. Smith. He was prominently associated with Daniel Wanamaker and George Merkel in encouraging and securing the establishment of the Berks County railroad from Reading to Slatington, (now the Schuylkill and Lehigh) and his sagacity in business matters was highly esteemed and appreciated.

'Squire Creitz was a Reformed member of the Jacksonville church, and served all its offices. His wife was Elizabeth Oswald, born February 4, 1828, died April 2, 1906, aged over 83 years; and they had eight children: Elias O., Richard H. L., Emelina (m. William Benner now deceased), Rebecca (living at Seipstown), Rosalie M. (m. Alvin Snyder), and Daniel F., Francis D., and Ella, the last three having died young.

ALVIN F. CREITZ, late of Lynnport, was born at Jacksonville, January 24, 1835. He was educated in the local public schools and later attended the New Columbia Academy in Luzerne county for the purpose of taking a special course of instruction in the English language. When eighteen years old he went by team to Burlington, Bradford county, Pa., where he worked for his board and additional schooling, and later he was hired by his father to work in a general store at Tamaqua for one year. In 1855 he and his brother embarked in the store business at Jacksonville and carried it on for two years. Then, after making a trip to New Columbia, he taught public school for four terms and engaged at butchering in the summer season. About this time he bought a farm near Lynnport and this he operated for twenty years.

In 1862 Mr. Creitz was drafted into the Pennsylvania State Militia and served for a period of six weeks, having been elected and commissioned as captain of Company I, of the 176th Regiment. In 1868, he was elected as a justice of the peace of Lynn township and served this office continuously by re-election until 1903; then he received the appointment of notary public and he has served that office until his death. In 1870 he began to practice the surveying of land and he had been one of the best known surveyors in the upper section of the county. He had rendered valuable services in this business and on account of his experience and ability had

been called upon as an expert in the adjustment of lines in disputed cases, in which he had been successful. He had acted as an underwriter for the Berks and Lehigh Mutual Life Insurance Company since 1880.

Squire Creitz, as he was familiarly known, was married in 1860 to Caroline E. Oswald. She died June 7, 1881. He died on June 25, 1913. They had thirteen children, eleven of whom are living: Laura E., Martha A., Mollie E., Charles E. (minister of the Reformed Church and now serving the St. Paul's congregation at Reading, Pa.), William H. (architect residing at Vancouver, in British America), Albert A. (residing at Aberdeen, Washington), Ellen A. (deceased), Oliver J., Leonora C. E., a deceased infant son, Emma B., Alvin F. (residing in Kentucky), and Blanche M. They are members of the Reformed church at Jacksonville, which he has served as a deacon and he has officiated as secretary of the consistory for twelve years.

RICHARD H. L. CREITZ, the second son of Squire Creitz, a farmer in Lynn township, was born August 17, 1846. He was educated in the common schools and also attended the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown while being reared on the farm. In 1871, he began farming his father's homestead and also the Robert Kunkel place which his father owned, and he continued for five years, when he moved to Maxatavny township, in Berks county, and farmed there six years, after which he returned to Lynn township. Then (1882) he bought a farm of 98 acres which he now occupies. This was the Levi Donat homestead, who built the present house on the place in 1852.

An old log house stood first on the tract, forty feet west of the present house. It had port holes and was regarded as a relic of the earliest period of the Colonial settlements. A man named Eckenroth was killed here by the Indians. The house was torn down in 1898.

He is a Democrat in politics, and a Reformed member of the Jacksonville church. In 1870 he was married to Sarah Ellen Holben, daughter of David and Carolina (Hartman) Holben, and they have six children: Elmira C. (m. Harry Shepherdson at Wind Gap), Daniel H. (carpenter at Summit Hill), David W., Alice M. (m. Phaon Kerschner at Hamburg, Pa.), John A., and George H. (at Bloomsburg, N. J.).

Adam Kreitz, a descendant of John Adam Kreitz (Creitz), was born June 14, 1815, and died August 3, 1843. He lived in Washington township where he carried on the business of shoemaker, and he was buried at Unionville. He was married August 9, 1835, to Maria Remaly,

daughter of Jacob Remaly, and they had three children: William, Henry (who was killed in a slate quarry at Slatedale where he lived, and his wife was Josephine Leibenguth by whom he had a daughter, Emma Flora), and Leah (who died unmarried).

Mr. Kreitz had a brother who lived at Easton, Pa., and some of his descendants are living in the vicinity of Lynnport. They spell their name beginning with the letter "C" instead of "K."

William Kreitz, son of Adam Kreitz, was born September 28, 1835, and died July 27, 1899. He lived at Slatington where he carried on shoemaking; and he owned twelve acres of land on which he also carried on farming in a limited way. He was connected with the Reformed church and served the congregation as a deacon. His wife was Dinah Kunkel, daughter of Adam Kunkel, of Carbon county, and they had a son, Francis A. She resides at Slatington in the homestead.

FRANCIS A. KREITZ, merchant, manufacturer and slate operator who resides at Allentown, was born at Slatington on March 15, 1860, and after having been educated in the public schools of that place he taught school in Washington and Heidelberg townships for three terms. In 1881 he embarked in the business of selling hats, shoes and gents furnishing goods at Slatington on Upper Main street and he has continued in same town ever since; but in 1893 Stephen D. Behler became associated with him under the firm name of Kreitz & Behler and they have six men employed. In 1894 he was one of the organizers of the Eureka Slate Co. and since then the company has carried on a large and successful business. The employees number 100 and Mr. Kreitz serves as the secretary of the company. In 1898 he became associated with Thomas Zellner and later they united with them Reuben Kunkel for the purpose of manufacturing knitted hosiery and since then they have traded successfully under the name of Slatington Knitting Co.; and some time afterward they added dye works to their enterprise. They employ together about ninety-five persons.

Mr. Kreitz was also one of the organizers of the Blue Valley Slate Co., and he has since served as a director, the company employing sixty-five men; and he is interested in the Pennsylvania Slate Co. of which he is likewise a director, the employees numbering fifty men. In politics, Mr. Kreitz is a Democrat and he is one of the recognized leaders of the Democratic party in the county. In 1897 he was elected to the office of Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions and he served a term of three years. Previously he had filled the office of borough assessor for four



years. He is affiliated with the Barger Lodge No. 333, F. and A. M., Allentown; also with the P. O. S. of A., at Slatington. Since 1898, his residence has been at Allentown at 17 So. Madison street.

Mr. Kreitz was married in 1888 to Annie M. Neff, daughter of the lately deceased county commissioner E. B. Neff. She died in 1896. They had three children: William (who died in infancy), Hilda L. (who was graduated from the Slatington high school in 1910, and has been assisting her father as his bookkeeper and also as secretary of the Pennsylvania Slate Co.), and Marion M. (who is engaged in the millinery business at Slatington). He and the family are members of the Reformed church. In 1898 he married a second wife, Bertha M. Becker, daughter of the late W. A. Becker and Alevesta Bosard, his wife.

Mr. Kreitz was one of the charter members of the Allentown, Slatington, and Slatington & Slatedale Trolley Companies.

#### CRESSMAN FAMILY.

The ancestor of this family came from Saxony to America about 1733, and settled in Philadelphia county, where he spent what of life remained to him. It is known that he had a son named Christian, who was born in what is now Montgomery county, April 13, 1753, and who died Dec. 5, 1827. He was married on Apr. 20, 1778, to Elizabeth Metzger, born Nov. 23, 1756. Their children were:

Mary, born May 5, 1779.	Elizabeth, born Apr. 15,
John, born Feb. 6, 1781.	1793.
Christian, born Oct. 4,	Catharine, born Nov. 23,
1782.	1795.
Abraham, born Jan. 24,	Jacob, born Jan. 15,
1785.	1798.
Jonas, born Nov. 5, 1787.	
George, born Nov. 29,	
1790.	

The old family Bible has, after the birth of Jonas, the fifth child, the following insertion: "All children were born in Franconia township."

John Cressman, the oldest son of Christian, settled in Mount Bethel township, Northampton county. He may have been a miller, as several of his sons had been millers. His children were: Michael, Joseph, Abraham, born in 1817, died in 1893 in Moore township. He was the father of Rev. J. J. Cressman, a Lutheran minister who resides at Kutztown since 1876; John, Christian, Henry, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Enoler.

Christian, the second son, also settled in Mount Bethel township, and from these two brothers the Cressmans of Northampton county descended. Christian had the following children: John,

Jacob, William, Samuel, Catharine, Sarah and Caroline.

Abraham, the third son, settled in Durham township, Montgomery county, and he had children: Christian, Abraham, William, John, Jacob, Hannah and Catharine.

Jonas, the fourth son, lived and died in Bucks county. He was the father of the following children: Nathan, Charles, Aaron who had Emeline (Kunsman), John, Jonas and Mary (Himmwright); Peter, Rachel, Sarah and Elizabeth.

George, the fifth son, lived in Springfield township, Bucks county, and was the father of Isaac, James, David, Joseph, Henry, Ezra, Maria and Charlotte.

Jacob, the youngest son of Christian, died some years after his marriage, being the father of these children: Jacob, Samuel and William.

Jacob Cressman, son of Jacob, son of Christian, was born March 21, 1826, and died on April 12, 1898, aged 72 years and 21 days. His wife, Mary Ann, was born March 11, 1826, and died on July 5, 1906, in her 81st year. He was a resident of Shoenersville where he is also buried. They had children as follows: Mrs. Theresa Kurtz, who died in 1912 at Bethlehem, Pa., C. O. and Oliver H.

OLIVER H. CRESSMAN, citizen of Shoenersville, was born near Bethlehem, in Lehigh county, Nov. 16, 1862. He was educated in the public schools and Weaversville academy. He began farming his father's homestead at Shoenersville after the latter had died in 1898, and there he continued until in 1905, then moved into the residence he now occupies. Mr. Cressman has been the organist of the Christ Union Sunday school since 1885 and of Christ Union Church since 1889, up to the present. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran congregation of the above church. Socially he is a member of the J. O. U. A. M., and in politics is a Democrat. He is supervisor of the upper district of Hanover since 1911, having succeeded his brother C. O. Cressman.

On March 28, 1891, he married Clara J. More, a daughter of William and E. Rebecca (Frankenfield) More and a sister of Rev. Wilson F. More, superintendent of the Orphans' Home, at Wormelsdorf, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Cressman had an only daughter, Annie Irene, who died aged seven weeks.

#### HON. HUGH E. CRILLY.

James Crilly, born in Ireland, came to this country in early manhood, bringing his wife and children with him. His first place of residence here was in Lawrence, Massachusetts, from whence he removed to Phillipsburg, New Jersey,

subsequently to Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, and finally to Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where they lived on Second street. He was engaged in the general contracting business with his sons. Mr. Crilly married in Ireland, Mary McDonald, a native of that country.

Hon. Hugh E. Crilly, son of James and Mary (McDonald) Crilly, was born in County Armagh, Ireland, August 18, 1852. He attended the public schools of Catasauqua until August, 1865, at which time the family removed to Allentown. He was but a young lad when he commenced working in the rolling mills and, having learned the trade of finishing, followed this occupation until 1879. He then became associated with his father and with his brother, James H. Crilly, in the general contracting business, and the majority of the more important improvements made in Allentown and the adjoining country since that time have been due to his energy and constructive power. Bridges, railroads and trolley lines have claimed the greater part of his time but he has also been connected with contract work in various other directions. While a member of this firm the contract for constructing the sewers on Linden street was carried out, and several others of a similar nature in various sections of the city. The sewers of Bethlehem, and the approach to the Linden street bridge, were among the number of contracts fulfilled. In 1884 Hugh E. Crilly withdrew from this firm, his election as a member of the State Legislature interfering with his activity in that direction, and he served as a member of this honorable body for two consecutive terms. He was appointed a member of a number of committees, among them being: Education, Military, Judiciary, and Mines and Mining. Declining the honor of re-election, he resumed his work as a contractor, and has since been identified with it, to the great advantage of the city. He constructed the first electric railway in Allentown in 1891, performing this work under a contract with the Industrial Improvement Company, of Boston. The next undertaking was the electric road from Allentown to Catasauqua, which was followed by one from the last mentioned town to Coplay, in 1891. In 1892 he built a line for the same company, in South Bethlehem, and followed this by constructing a trolley line from Pottstown to Ringing Rock Park, Montgomery county, financing the last named enterprise himself. This was but one of many he subsequently himself financed, and it was no unusual thing for him to sell them after completion. In 1894 he re-organized the Lancaster Railway Construction Company, took over the electric lines running from that city, and built lines from Lancaster to Lititz, and from

Lancaster to New Holland. The following year he built and financed the trolley line from Reading to Womelsdorf, and in 1896, reconstructed a large section of the electric trolley system at Reading. In 1896 he also constructed the road from Wilmington, Delaware, to New Castle, in the same state. In association with John H. Pascoe, he constructed the bridge at Freemansburg in 1897, and also commenced the trolley line to Hellertown, which was purchased by the Allentown system not long after its completion. Among other roads built by Hon. Hugh E. Crilly are the following: Allentown to Macungie, Allentown to Slatington, Slatington to Slatedale, Allentown to Philadelphia, Allentown to South Bethlehem, Lehigh to Mauch Chunk, Egypt to Levans, and South Bethlehem to Friedensville. In the course of the construction of these trolley lines, it has been nothing unusual for Mr. Crilly to have from four to five hundred men in his employ at one time, and his executive ability is of so high an order that his contracts have not been affected by labor troubles to such an extent as is frequently the case with undertakings of this nature.

The interest which has always been displayed by Hugh E. Crilly in the growth and development of Allentown is one which ought not be underestimated. Not alone the business enterprises have claimed his attention and thought, but the political welfare of the city, and its numerous institutions have been given a due share, and have benefited accordingly. He represented the Sixth ward of the city in select council for a period of six years, during which he was in office as president of this body, and was the youngest man ever thus honored in Allentown. From 1880 up to the time the new school code went into effect in 1911, he was a member of the Board of Education of Allentown. February 3, 1911, the State School Directors' Association, in convention assembled at Harrisburg, elected Mr. Crilly as vice-president of their association, an honor to him and to the city. The Bellevue Hotel, one of the largest in the county, was built by Mr. Crilly in 1902, and the Crilly mansion, at the corner of Ridge avenue and Liberty street, was erected by him in 1904-5. He has always given his staunch support to the Democratic party, and he was a candidate for the office of mayor in 1902 but defeated by a small majority. He and his family are devout members of the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception, and are among its most generous supporters.

Hugh E. Crilly married, in 1887, Mary A., born in County Donegal, Ireland, a daughter of Francis and Mary (O'Donnel) Cannon. They have had children: Mary C., who died in in-



fancy; Hugh E., Jr. At the writing of this article, 1914, Mr. Crilly is still engaged in the contracting business, associated with the Freeland Construction Company of Luzerne county, Pa. as chief of construction in the building of improved highways for the above county.

# CROLL FAMILY.

Sometime during the first half of the eighteenth century, Philip Croll emigrated from Germany to this country and settled in Montgomery county, Pa. He had four children, whose names in order of birth, are: Christian, Henry, Michael and Polly. The first of these married and continued his residence in the same locality. The second son, Henry, married a Miss Gilbert and then removed to Allegheny county, near Pittsburgh, Pa., where he farmed. The third son, Michael, married Rebecca Geiger, and shortly after removed to Greenwich township, Berks Co., Pa. Polly, the youngest child of Philip, married Jacob Esser, of Kutztown.

The children of Henry Croll were Joseph, John, Lydia, George, Michael, David, Addie, Henry. About 1808 Joseph Croll, son of Henry, of Allegheny county, a young man of about 16 years of age, was induced to join his uncle Michael from whom he learned the farmer's trade. In 1813 he married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Barbara (Tressler) Schlenker. Later he abandoned his trade and worked as day laborer, subsequently acquiring a few acres of ground near Krumsville, where he died March 22, 1847. The children were: John; Addie (married to Jacob Behler, of near Hamburg); Joseph (deceased, married to Elizabeth Miller, of near Pine Grove); Henry C. (deceased; married first to Lydia Kistler, and then to Sarah A. Seip, late of Endora, Douglass township); Samuel (died when young); Michael (married to Mary A. Frederick, last of Lyons, Berks Co.); Mary and Sarah, twins (the former dying unmarried, and the latter married to Benjamin Burkey, late of Greenwich township); Regina (married to Jacob Roth, late of Zion's Hill, Bucks Co.); William (married to Sarah E. Shupp, late of Manitowoc on Lake Michigan); Catharine A.

John, the first born of Joseph and Elizabeth Croll, was born near Grimsville, Berks Co., Pa., May 19, 1814. After receiving but limited schooling, he learned the tailor's trade, which he followed until in 1853. He removed to near Schnecksville, Lehigh county, where he bought 20 acres of land, which he tilled and followed his trade. In Oct., 1837, he married Catharine, daughter of David DeLong. Their children were: Rev. Alfred DeLong (born June 25, 1838, and died June 19, 1876; married to Alice

C., daughter of Dr. Leshner Trexler); Hiram (born March 11, 1841, and married to Adalina Rockel); Martin S. (born Aug. 19, 1844, and married to Elizabeth A., daughter of Jonas Grim, of Tipton); Silas G.; Cyrenius G. (born Sept. 27, 1849, and married to Alice Burkhalter, of Frankfort, Ind.); Elmira E. (born June 8, 1851, and married to the late Tilghman Bittner, of Bittner's Corner, Lehigh Co.); Rev. Philip C. (born Oct. 2, 1852, married to Sallie A., daughter of Philip Greiss, of Alburtis); Priscilla S. (born Nov. 22, 1855, married to Oliver C. Rohrbach, of Tipton).

SILAS GOTTLIEB, fourth son of John and Catharine Croll, was born near Kutztown, Berks Co., Pa., Sept. 12, 1846. After he had attended public schools, he, in April, 1867, left the farm to attend a term at Freeland Seminary, now Ursinus College, in Montgomery county. Afterwards he learned the trade of miller at Phillipsburg, N. J. His stay here was brief, as in the spring of 1868 he was employed as foreman by Jacob Zimmerman, of Lynn Valley. In Sept., 1873, he removed to Trexlertown, Lehigh Co., where he has resided ever since. Here he entered the employ of the Lehigh Grain, Coal and Lumber Co. for 5 years. This firm being succeeded by Wm. B. Fogel, Mr. Croll continued in his employment for 5 years more. In 1877 his brother and himself established as S. G. Croll and Co. the grain, coal and lumber business at Farmington. This firm continued for years, when Silas Croll formed a partnership with Stephen Acker, of East Texas, under the name of Croll & Acker, doing business at Trexlertown for 10 years. In 1887 Messrs. S. G. Croll and Frank Gernert engaged in the hardwood lumber business under the name of Croll & Gernert, which continued until the latter's death, since which time Mr. Croll personally continues the business. He, together with John Y. Schultz, are the founders and operators of the Trexlertown Knitting Mills. He is a Democrat, and was poor director for 6 years, school director and treasurer for supervisors for 4 years; is justice of the peace of Upper Macungie township since 1888, having been re-elected five times. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, which he served as deacon and elder, is treasurer of the Trexlertown Lodge, No. 326 F. & A. M. since 1887. In 1868 Mr. Croll married Josephine E., only daughter of David and Elizabeth Acker, of Trexlertown. Three children have sprung from this union: Alfred D., of Allentown; Mamie L., married to Robert Guth, John P., a graduate from Lehigh University and at present civil engineer for the Pennsylvania Steel Works, at Steelton.

Joseph Croll, son of Henry, was born in 1792,

near Pittsburgh, Pa. He attended the common schools. At the age of sixteen he went to reside with his uncle, Michael Croll, and with whom he learned the tanner's trade. Working at his trade, with his uncle, until he became of legal age, he followed this vocation for some years, after which he became a day laborer. He purchased a home with a few acres attached, near Krumsville. He died March 22, 1847. He married in 1813, Elizabeth Schlenker, daughter of John and Barbara (Tressler) Schlenker. She died in 1872, and interment was made in the old Croll's churchyard, by the side of her husband. Issue: John, born May 19, 1814; Addie, born Feb. 18, 1816; Joseph, born Nov. 3, 1817; Henry C., born April 29, 1820; Samuel, born Jan. 20, 1822; Michael (history follows); Mary and Sarah, twins, born Sept. 7, 1826; David, born March 24, 1829; Rufina, born April 7, 1831; William born March 24, 1833, and Catherine Amanda, born Feb. 4, 1836.

Michael Croll, the fifth son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Schlenker) Croll, was born July 14, 1824. He attended the subscription schools of that period during the winter terms. At an early age he was engaged as a farm hand in Maxatawny township, then learned the tailor trade with his brother, John.

He then conducted a tailoring business in Windsor township for two years, then removed to Zion's Hill, Bucks county, carrying on the trade for nine years; removed from thence to Milford Square, Bucks county, and later to other localities, eventually settling down in 1869 at Lyons Berks county, where he purchased a home-stead, there following his calling up to the time of his decease. He was a member of the Lutheran Church; was noted for his devotion to his family. He died March 4, 1880, and was interred in the Zion's Church cemetery.

Michael Croll married, June 13, 1847, Mary E. Frederick, who during her last years made her home in Allentown. Issue: James Adam, (history follows); Amelia M., born Feb. 20, 1850, died May 13, 1850; Mantileus Cyrus, born May 9, 1851; Onopirus Frederick, born July 18, 1853, died Sept. 2, 1854; Jane Catherine, born July 13, 1855; Adeline, born May 4, 1858; and Clymence, born July 5, 1860, the two latter named reside with their brother, James Adam Croll; Mantileus C., married July 20, 1875, Rebecca M. Goho; Jane C., married Austin A. Fisher, a farmer, residing near Monterey, Pa.

JAMES ADAM CROLL, eldest son of Michael and Mary E. (Frederick) Croll, was born Aug. 11, 1848. He attended the public schools of his neighborhood during his young boyhood, alter-

nated by working for vicinity farmers, as he was very eager to acquire a good education. In 1866 he was attending the Kutztown Normal School, and later the Zion Valley Institute and still later, the Millersville State Normal School, in Lancaster county. After graduation he became a teacher in Bucks and Lehigh county schools, also in a summer normal school. He conducted successively, a flour and feed business (1869-'70), then a music and sewing machine store, in Allentown, having become a resident in 1874. He having disposed of his store, then taught the duck farm school near Allentown, for two years. He next entered the employment of L. P. Peters, a baker on 7th street, selling his goods in Bethlehem and vicinity, continuing this work for four years. He then conducted a similar business, on his own account at Bethlehem for two years, then sold out. He next took up the baking business with Christian Hohl, in Allentown, and the firm continued the business for seventeen years. Mr. Croll then sold his interest to George E. Rabich, and the new firm became wholesalers. Mr. Croll bought their products in quantities, disposing of the same in Allentown and vicinity, and eventually his trade became very extensive. He has been an active member of the United Evangelical Church for upwards of forty years, now being the steward thereof and also treasurer of the Sunday school. He is an earnest temperance advocate and has also been a member of the state and county committees; was treasurer of the city committee for five years. His home life has been an ideal one.

James Adam Croll married Feb. 22, 1872, Elmira M. Bergenstock, who died May 5, 1912, and was interred in the West End Cemetery. She was a very domestic woman, a devoted wife and mother and a sincere Christian. Their children were: Jennie May; Arthur M. and two who died in infancy. Jennie M. married Erwin E. Peters, at Allentown (now deceased). Issue: Bertine E. Peters. Arthur M. Croll, married (first) Emma Mayers (deceased). Issue: Dorothy E.; Marshall; LeRoy. Arthur M. Croll married (second) Leda P. Billig. Issue: Nina Violet and Margaret Emma Croll.

#### CULBERTSON FAMILY.

John L. Culbertson, a resident of Whitehall township, was a lieutenant in the U. S. army. His son, James M., was born near Hoffmansville, Whitehall township. He was educated in the public schools and upon attaining manhood he first was engaged in the iron ore business and later was connected with the Thomas Iron Co. He next came to Allentown, becoming connected with Samuel Engleman, crockery deal-



er. After leaving Mr. Engleman, he established the firm of Yeager & Culbertson (now Yeager & Co.). Then selling his interest, he engaged in the silverware and lamp business at 810 Hamilton street, which he conducted for eleven years. He then engaged in the insurance business for a period, then became associated with J. B. King, as manufacturers' agents for chemical apparatus, for Holliday & Co., of Baltimore. He continued in this business up to the time of his decease. In politics he was a Republican; in religion a member of Trinity Reformed church; also of the Sons of Veterans. He was a councilman 1882-1883. He died at the age of 60 years.

James M. Culbertson married Eliza, daughter of Thomas Yundt. She died at the age of 37 years. Interment of both Mr. and Mrs. Culbertson was in the Union cemetery, Allentown. Issue: Tennie, who married John Dressler, of Allentown; John T., (sketch follows); James P.; Bessie, married Fred C. Peters, of Lancaster, Pa.; Alice, resides with her sister, Mrs. John Dressler.

JOHN T. CULBERSTON, the oldest son of James M. and Eliza (Yundt) Culbertson, was born Nov. 27, 1878, at Allentown. He attended the public and high schools of Allentown, and after attaining a suitable age was employed in the Givernaud Silk Mill, and learned the trade of spinner, continuing here for ten years. On Nov. 10, 1910, he engaged in his present business, viz.: pool, billiards and bowling alleys at 1103 Hamilton St. He is connected with the following organizations: K. of P., Knights of Friendship, Slatington Lodge; Sons of Veterans; Queen City Fire Co., and the Reformed Church.

John T. Culbertson married in 1903 Laura M., daughter of James and Louise Kleintop.

#### HARRY L. CUNNINGHAM.

Harry L. Cunningham, chief engineer of the Homeopathic State Hospital, was born at Eckley, Luzerne county, Sept. 9, 1869. His father, Peter B. Cunningham, was born near Coleraine, county Londonderry, Ireland, Nov. 12, 1834, and came to America in 1854. He settled at Eckley, where he was a patternmaker and had charge of putting up pit props in the coal mines for E. B. Coxe & Co. He was master carpenter for this firm for about 20 years, when he removed to Freeland, where he conducted a wheelwright and blacksmith shop. In 1875, he removed to Allentown, in order to give his sons a better education, where he entered into partnership with Avon Barnes, as the Allentown Platform Company, in which he continued until his death. He was the inventor of what is now known as the steering knuckle joint for

steering automobiles. He was a member of the First Presbyterian church, where he served many years as an elder, and was a Republican in politics. He resided many years at 136 South Fifth street, until he built his late home at 1442 Walnut street, where he died Jan. 27, 1912, and was buried in Fairview cemetery. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and of the Scottish Rite Consistory. He married, in April, 1854, Mary A. Crawford, who died Nov. 15, 1906. She was the daughter of James and Elizabeth (Stewart) Crawford, of Coleraine, Ireland, of Scottish descent. Their children were: James S., first honor man of Lehigh University, class of 1878, now mining and civil engineer for the Berwind-White Soft Coal Co., of Charleston, W. Va., who married Mary, daughter of Rev. George Hammer; John P., a wheelwright, of Scranton, who married Myra Grau; William C., a traveling salesman, Captain of Co. I, Second Regiment, N. G. P., who died in 1901, aged 42 years; Harry L.; Mary Crawford, and E. Gertrude, single, who reside in the homestead, and four children, who died in infancy.

Harry L. Cunningham was educated in the Allentown schools and Muhlenberg preparatory school, after which he was employed for one year by his father. In 1892 he entered the Penna. R. R. car shops at Altoona, where he learned the trade of a machinist, and in 1896 returned to Allentown and engaged in the manufacture of cash registers with his father-in-law, C. M. Morford, in which he continued until they sold their patents to the Lennox Mfg. Co., of Catasauqua. He then became a machinist with the Bethlehem Steel Company and had charge of general repairs in the drop forge department. On Sept. 1, 1911, he became chief engineer of the Homeopathic state hospital at Rittersville, having fourteen men in his department. Mr. Cunningham is a member and a trustee of the American Order of Stationary Engineers, I. O. O. F., Red Men, and of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Republican in politics and has served as city committeeman. He married, in 1896, Adella Marie, daughter of Charles M. and Mary J. (Seem) Morford, and they have two children, Charles Morford and George Blair Cunningham.

#### EDWARD J. DANOWSKY.

Edward J. Danowsky was for many years a druggist of Allentown, Pa. The Danowsky family is of Polish extraction, but for many generations the family resided in Germany, fleeing there from Poland during some political upheaval. Dr. William Frederick Danowsky, the founder of the Pennsylvania family, was born

at Woltin, Prussia, June 16, 1803. His father was a captain in the German army, stationed at Berlin. He was the father of 21 children, the offspring of two marriages. Dr. Danowsky was left at an early age with his grandmother at Woltin where his chances of acquiring an education were small. He therefore ran away and tramped some 300 miles to his father who died a year later. The captain's close friend, the Burgomaster of Berlin, agreed to care for the lad who desired a professional life. He became a ship surgeon, voyaging to Brazil, Greenland, etc.

He married May 9, 1830, in Brunswick, Germany, Caroline E. Behrens, born May 30, 1811, in Brunswick. Dr. Danowsky, in 1835, came alone to Philadelphia, from thence to Lehigh county and began to practice medicine in the Saucon Valley, thence going to Emaus, Pa., where he settled. Unknown to him, his friends made up a purse to enable his wife to come to him, and he met her in Philadelphia and he continued his practice at Emaus until about 1840, when he removed to Allentown, where he continued his practice, establishing also a drug store. In 1848, his home was destroyed by fire. In 1853 he invented a process for making illuminating gas, erecting for that purpose a plant at the rear of his home on Hamilton street, which was the foundation of the gas works in Allentown. He constructed gas works in Williamsport, Danville and Tamaqua, Pa. In 1860 he located on a farm in Union Co., Pa., at Whitdeer, and there began the manufacture of pottery ware, then returned to Allentown, Pa., where he resided until his death March 1, 1875. He reared a family of five children, one of whom was Edward Julius Danowsky, who was educated in the public schools of Allentown. He studied pharmacy under his father. He was for some time employed in drug stores in Pottstown and Stroudsburg, Pa., then returned to Allentown and bought his father's drug business on Hamilton street, where he continued for many years, when he sold out to T. S. Nagle, who had been his assistant for 30 years. He was a great lover of fine horses. He was also interested in real estate and owned a double house on So. 7th street, where he resided, which is now occupied by his daughter. In politics he was a Republican, and he was a member of St. John's Reformed church. He died March 3, 1909, and was interred in Union cemetery, Allentown. He married Mary Jane Shriner, born at Jersey Shore, Pa. She was a lady of domestic tastes and devoted to home and family; also a member of the St. John's Reformed Church. She died April 3, 1893, and was in-

terred in Union cemetery. Their children were Elizabeth C. and Nina Alverna. Elizabeth C. married Ralph A. Guth, and their children are five, viz: Edward Danowsky; Edna E.; Mary C.; Nina R.; and Leah Rose Guth.

Nina A. Danowsky was educated at Allentown College for Women, from which she graduated and is a member of the College Alumni Association, and is its treasurer. She is a member of St. John's Reformed Church; of the Kings Daughters and of the various church societies, as well as a Sunday school teacher.

#### DAUBENSPECK FAMILY.

John Jacob Daubenspeck, of the Palatinate, Germany, emigrated to America, on the ship *Harle*, which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 1, 1736. He was one of 388 persons on board and his age was recorded as 22 years. He was born in 1714 and died in Heidelberg township, now Lehigh county, during the Revolutionary period. On Sept. 16, 1747, he took out a warrant for 197 acres of land, located in Heidelberg township. It is current tradition that the pioneers of the township held religious services in the house of Jacob Daubenspeck prior to the erection of the Heidelberg church, in 1744. Jacob reared a family of children among whom were: Jacob, Jr.; George and Philip. These three sons served in the War of the Revolution, from Northampton county. George, in 1790, resided in Luzerne county, Pa., and had three sons over 16 years; one under 16 years, a wife and two daughters.

Jacob Daubenspeck, a descendant of the pioneer, John Jacob, was a farmer in Schuylkill county. In 1832 his widow had attained the great age of ninety-four years. This couple had a son, Jacob.

Jacob Daubenspeck, born in 1815, and died in 1852, was also a farmer. He married Hester Shoemaker, of Schuylkill county, who died in 1893. Issue: (1) Mary, married John Gildner, and resides in Kansas; (2) David, of Chicago, a builder; (3) Rebecca, married Henry Kistler (deceased) and resides in Allentown; (4) John, died in 1905; (5) Jacob; (6) William, of Los Angeles, Cal.; (7) Samuel, died in 1911; (8) Susan, a widow, of Allentown; (9) Hester, married Aaron Sherman, of Allentown.

JACOB DAUBENSPECK, son of Jacob and Hester (Shoemaker) Daubenspeck, was born March 6, 1844, in West Penn township, Schuylkill county. He attended the schools of the day and assisted on his father's farm until 1865, when he came to Allentown and learned the trade of



carpenter and followed this vocation until 1870, when he became an undertaker's assistant. In 1881, he associated himself as a partner with Benjamin F. Heimbach in the undertaking business. He was engaged in this business and also manufactured caskets.

In politics he is a Republican, a member of the Evangelical church, P. O. S. of A., American Mechanics, Knights of Malta, F. & A. M., K. of F. He has traveled through the Holy Land, Spain, Italy, Turkey and Africa.

Jacob Daubenspeck married (first) Miss Sarah A. Heimbach, born April 10, 1847, died May 1, 1902. Issue: (1) Ellen, married Frederick Binder, of Emaus; (2) Mary, married Allen Seip (deceased); (3) Charles B.; (4) Jennie; (5) Catharine; (6) William, married Anna Fried. He is a foreman in an Allentown Silk factory; (7) Florence, married Claude Himmelright, of Allentown. There are nine grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Jacob Daubenspeck married (second) in September, 1903, Eliza Krum, of Carbon county, born April 2, 1852. She married (first) Daniel Graver, who died in 1893. Issue: (1) Harry Graver, an electrician, of Allentown; (2) Mamie A. Graver (single) at home.

CHARLES BENJAMIN DAUBENSPECK, son of Jacob, was born Oct. 20, 1870, in Allentown. He was educated in the public schools and at Blackman's Business College, also took the course of instruction in Mechanical Contracting, of the International Correspondence School of Scranton, Pa. He was in the employ of an architect as a draughtsman, for a year, then learned the trade of carpenter, with his uncle, John Daubenspeck, continuing with him about eight years. He then worked for others as a journeyman for three years. He then formed a partnership with Adam A. Herzog, as contractors and builders, under the name of Herzog and Daubenspeck, continuing together for about ten years. Since 1906, Mr. Daubenspeck has carried on his trade alone. He has been engaged in this line in Allentown for upwards of seventeen years. His extensive work includes the Jewish Synagogue on Sixth Street and the renovation of Dubbs Memorial church. He was confirmed by Rev. George Richards, at Salem Reformed church, of which he is now a member. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, Knights of Malta. In politics, he is a Republican.

Charles Benjamin Daubenspeck married in 1890, in Allentown, Emma Wenner, daughter of Milo and Marietta (Nagle) Wenner. Issue: a son who died young.

#### THOMAS DAUGHERTY.

Thomas Daugherty, of Allentown, was born Dec. 20, 1836, at Beaver Meadow, then Northampton (now Carbon county), Pennsylvania. The founders of the family were the parents of William Daugherty, who settled in Bucks county, Pa. William Daugherty afterward removed to the West Branch of the Susquehanna river, locating a few miles above Milton, where he followed farming on Muddy Run. In connection with his son-in-law, Marcus Hulings, he built and operated the first keel-bottom boat ever taken on the Susquehanna river to tidewater. The boat was built at Muddy Run.

Marcus Hulings was the great great grandfather of General W. J. Hulings, of Oil City, Pa., and who is prominently identified with the Pennsylvania National Guard, and is a member of the State Senate.

William Daugherty fought for a time in the French and Indian war, and became a member of the Warrior Run Presbyterian church. He married a Miss Means, a representative of one of the pioneer families of Kentucky, and the Means house in Towanda, Pa., was founded by a representative of this family. Their sons were John, Samuel, James, Abel, Robert, and probably Henry. Of the daughters, one married Marcus Hulings, one William McGrady, and one John Campbell. The sons and the sons-in-law of William Daugherty were prominent in the early history of Pennsylvania, and made splendid records as patriots. John Daugherty was a warm personal friend and a compatriot of Van Campen, and of the noted Brady boys, and the former in his narrative says: "No braver man than John Daugherty ever lived." Captain Samuel Daugherty, another brother, was detailed from Washington's army to protect the frontier, and was killed with Boone's company at Freeland's Fort, his scalp being recognized by a man named Robinson, who was lying in ambush behind a log. The scalp was being carried in the hand of a passing Indian, and the light-colored long, curly hair attracted the attention of Robinson. Both Captain Samuel Daugherty and his elder brother, Captain John Daugherty, were members of Captain Hawkins Boone's command. Samuel Daugherty advised against the attack on Fort Freeland, and his brother taunted him with cowardice, but he replied: "No Daugherty was ever a coward. I shall fight as bravely as yourself, but we shall be defeated," and the result was as he had foretold. Both Hawkins Boone and Samuel Daugherty were killed in the attack. During the fight Captain John Daugherty was accosted by an old Tory who

was suspected of having betrayed the fort to the British, and who said, "Give it to them, Daugherty." "Yes," was the reply, "and I will give it to a d——d traitor." The story goes that he loaded his gun, turned, and shot the Tory down as coolly as if shooting a squirrel. John Daugherty was a noted small swordsman, and while the patriot army was in New Jersey he fought and killed a British officer who was also noted for his skill with the sword, for speaking contemptuously of the "so-called" rebels. The seven sons of William Daugherty all fought under Washington at one time or another during the Revolutionary war. After the war Captain John Daugherty returned to his farm on Muncy Creek, and was fatally stabbed by a knife in the hand of a bond boy whom he was correcting for some negligence. His lamentations when dying was that after fighting Indians, the British, and Hessians for so many years, he should be killed by a boy. James Daugherty, another brother, was taken prisoner by the British and the Indians, was sent to Canada, successfully passing the trying ordeal known as "running the gauntlet," and when peace was declared returned to Boston and made his way on foot to the west branch of the Susquehanna river. James Daugherty married Ann Hammond, whose brothers were George, James, William, Joseph, and David Hammond. Of these David Hammond was the father of General Robert H. Hammond, of the Mexican war, formerly a lieutenant of the Fifth United States Infantry. The brothers were all officers in the Revolutionary War, or members of the councils of safety. James Daugherty and Ann Hammond became the parents of the following named: George Hammond; Grace, who married Joseph Hogue; Susan, who married Henry Van Dyke; and Sarah, who married Daniel Bowman. The Bowmans and Van Dykes resided at or near Towanda, Bradford county, Pa. After the war for independence was terminated, the daughters of William Daugherty and their husbands removed to Ohio.

George Hammond Daugherty, born April 1, 1794, near Milton, Pa., learned the saddle-making trade and followed it until the Dearborn wagon was put on the market, and he said any shoemaker could then make harness and quit the business. After Hull surrendered in the war of 1812, he enlisted in the American army, but did not see any active service. Later he followed contracting, and was superintendent of the collieries at Beaver Meadow and Summit Hill. The last years of his life were devoted to farming on the Laird homestead in Madison township, Columbia county, Pa. His religious faith was that of the Presbyterian church. His first

presidential votes were cast for Democratic candidates up to General Jackson, later he became a Whig, and at the dissolution of that party was known as an ardent advocate of the American party, and from the time of Lincoln's nomination for the presidency he was a stalwart Republican. A warm friend of the cause of education, he did everything in his power to promote the free school system, and it is said that he rode two horses nearly to death in the fight against the large landed proprietors who were bitterly opposed to be taxed in order to support the free school system. His electioneering was done at night, and quietly among the classes of people who were not property holders, and who outvoted their aristocratic neighbors, who had expected no opposition of any kind. Mr. Daugherty always favored progress and improvement, and his was an active, useful, and honorable career. He married Miss Mary Laird, who was born near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, March 15, 1794. He died at the age of eighty years, and was laid to rest by the side of his wife in the family burying ground of the Laids at the Derry meeting-house in Columbia county, Pa. There were seven children in the family, four sons and three daughters, but all are now deceased, with the exception of Thomas Daugherty. The eldest, James, was killed when with William Walker, the filibuster, in Nicaragua, Central America. Another son, George Hammond, lived to be seventy-five years of age, while Oscar died in young manhood. One of the sisters, Sarah Daugherty, died at the age of twenty-two years. Caroline became Mrs. Faris, and died at the age of sixty-eight years. Ada, who became Mrs. Tenbrook, died at the age of sixty years.

In the maternal line the ancestry of Thomas Daugherty can be traced back to his great-grandfather, William Laird, who was born in Ireland, Oct. 27, 1727, and was brought to America at the age of six years, and died April 11, 1820. In early manhood he had resided near Carlisle, Pa. He served as a member of the committee of correspondence in 1774 as delegate from the Fourth Battallion to the Lancaster County Association of Battalions in 1776, was captain of the Seventh Company of the Sixth Battalion in 1777, captain of the Eighth Company of the Ninth Battalion in 1780, and thus rendered efficient service to the cause of independence. His death occurred in what is now Madison township, Columbia county, and his remains were interred in the Derry churchyard. He was married to Martha Wilson, and they became the parents of eight children, including James Laird, the grandfather, who was born May 11, 1761.



James Laird was a very prominent man in his community, served in the Revolutionary War, participated in the battle of Brandywine, and by his numerous friends and acquaintances was always accosted as Captain Laird. He was a member of the Pennsylvania state senate from 1806 until 1812, representing the district comprising Northumberland and Luzerne counties. He and his father sold their lands in what was then Lancaster county and removed to Northumberland (now Columbia) county, about 1797 or 1798. James Laird wedded Mary McFarlane, and their children were William, Mary, and John. His second wife was a Miss Watson, and their children were Thomas, Samuel and Jane. When James Laird was serving as state senator his daughter, Mary, the mother of Thomas Daugherty, would ride on the pillion of his saddle to Harrisburg, where she was left to attend school, while her father attended the sessions of the legislature at the state capitol in Lancaster. Her death occurred when she was seventy-nine years of age and she, too, was laid to rest in Derry churchyard in Columbia county.

Thomas Daugherty, after attending the public schools until twelve years of age, entered upon his business career as a clerk in a general store at Summit Hill, Pa., where he remained until he was engaged in the location and construction of the Lehigh Valley Railroad as a member of the engineer corps from 1853 until the completion of the road in 1856. During the three succeeding years he was bookkeeper for Packer, Douglass and Co., at Nesquehoning, Pa. Early in the year 1859 he went to the west, crossing the plains from Leavenworth to Denver, Col., with an ox team. In the latter state he was engaged in prospecting and mining until the early part of 1861, and during the winter of 1859-60 he served as assistant clerk of the Colorado legislature under the provisional government, while, following the adjournment of the assembly, he taught the first school in the territory, at Golden City, Col. In the spring of 1860 he was with the prospecting party that discovered the California Gulch diggings at the headwaters of the Arkansas river, where twenty years later the Leadville diggings were opened. When he went West in 1859 he travelled for two hundred miles through the Buffalo range. The prairie at intervals was covered for miles with herds of buffalo, so that the district appeared to be one vast buffalo robe, thousands of the animals being on their way to the northern feeding grounds. Large numbers of them were slaughtered by the Pike's Peak emigrants, who generally only made use of the hump and tongue, the balance of the carcasses being

devoured by the great packs of wolves that followed in the path of the emigrant trains.

Following the outbreak of the Civil War, Thomas Daugherty was mustered into the United States service on the 18th of April, 1861, and served for three months under the President's first call for 75,000 men, as a member of Company A, First Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, commanded by Captain James L. Selfridge. He became a member of Captain William J. Palmer's independent company, the Anderson Troop, on the 12th of October, 1861, at Carlisle, Pa. The company was raised under an order of the Secretary of War, and acted as bodyguard for Major General Anderson, of Fort Sumter fame, then commanding in Kentucky, and Mr. Daugherty became a fourth sergeant of the company. He participated in the battle of Shiloh, of Pittsburg Landing, Perryville, Murfreesboro, or Stone River, and was at Fort Donelson the day after the surrender, where he saw General Grant for the first time. He was also in the siege of Corinth, Miss., and in numerous smaller engagements. For a time he was on duty in the Gault House in Louisville, Kentucky, and witnessed the shooting of General Nelson by Jefferson C. Davis. On the 26th of March, 1863, Mr. Daugherty was mustered out of service with the entire company.

In the following year Mr. Daugherty became bookkeeper at the Yorktown Colliery in Carbon county, Pa., and continued in that position for thirty years, during the last eight years of which he was also a member of the firm, the business being conducted under the name of George H. Myers & Co. In November, 1894, he removed from Yorktown Colliery to Allentown, and became interested in the independent telephone business. He was one of the organizers and the president of the Lehigh Telephone Company, and remained at its head until the business was emerged into that of the Consolidated Companies of Pennsylvania, of which he is now a director. He is also a member of the directorate of the Inter-State Telephone Company of New Jersey.

Mr. Daugherty cast his first presidential vote for Bell in 1860, but since that time has been a stalwart Republican. He is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, of the Pennsylvania Society of Sons of the Revolution, and is a thirty-second degree mason. Major Daugherty has a large and valuable library, and is exceptionally conversant with the history of the State.

Mr. Daugherty was married Jan. 15, 1859, to Miss Jane Hewitt. She was a school girl of Brooklyn Center, Susquehanna county, Pa, until

twelve years of age, at which time the family removed to Nesquehoning, Carbon county, and there she afterward gave her hand in marriage to Mr. Daugherty. She is a descendant of Jedidiah Hewitt, who removed about 1800 from Rhode Island to Susquehanna county, Pa., and there her father, Abel Hewitt, was born in 1804. He was a man of much ability, was an uncompromising Democrat through his entire life, and for many years served as a justice of the peace in his native county, and also for a term in Carbon county. He was school director for many years, and took an active and helpful interest in all matters pertaining to the public schools and their substantial development. He died at the advanced age of eighty-eight years, and was buried in Fairview cemetery, Allentown, Pa. He married Julia Fish, a daughter of Anthony Fish, who was born at Mystic, Conn., whence he emigrated to Brooklyn, Susquehanna, Pa. The Fish family is a large and influential one in this state, and has furnished many soldiers and statesmen to Pennsylvania.

The children of Thomas Daugherty and Jane (Hewitt) Daugherty are as follows: Oscar Hammond, born in 1860, died at the age of nine years; William Hewitt, born in 1862, died at the age of twenty-two years; Mary Laird, born in 1865, died at the age of twenty years; George Hammond, born in 1868, is living in Allentown; Nellie Andrews, born in 1872, is the wife of Charles F. Huber, superintendent of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Co., Pa; Abel Hewitt, born in 1869, is married and lives in Bethlehem; Lillian Jane, born in 1874, is at home; and Julia Estelle, born in 1877, married W. A. Pollock, son of the Rev. Dr. J. F. Pollock, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Allentown.

George Hammond Daugherty, son of Thomas Daugherty, was born in Audenried, Pa., attended the public schools, and afterward became a student in the Bloomsburg State Normal School, but because of ill health he put aside his text books before graduation. He then went to Colorado, and after his health was improved he returned to Pennsylvania, and attended the Shortledge Academy at Media. When his course of study there was completed, he entered Pierce's Business College in Philadelphia, where he pursued a complete commercial course and was graduated with the class of 1887. Thus well equipped for business life he entered the office of George H. Myers & Co., coal operators, his father being interested in the business. Later he went to Birmingham, Alabama, where he established a foundry for the casting of hardware specialties. He conducted that enterprise for eight years, but misfortune overtook him, his

entire plant being destroyed by fire. After this disaster he returned to Allentown, where he started the Daugherty Iron Foundry for the manufacture of general castings made to order. He also makes a specialty of grate bars. This business was founded in December, 1900, and is now in a profitable condition.

Mr. Daugherty is a staunch Republican in his political views, and in religious belief is a Presbyterian. While in the South he was married to Elouise Brooks, of Tuskegee, Ala., a daughter of Hon. A. L. Brooks, and a niece of Hon. C. W. Thompson, one of the leading politicians of the South. She has one brother, Lothair Brooks, of Ensley, Ala., who married Minnie Woods, and they have three children, Edith, Lothair, and George, the youngest son being named for George H. Daugherty. Mr. and Mrs. Daugherty have one child, a daughter, Jean Brooks Daugherty.

#### HOWARD E. DAUM.

John Daum was born in 1832 in Darmstadt, Germany. He emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1849, and located near Columbia, in Lancaster county, where he superintended the operation of a blast furnace for many years. He lived in retirement at Lancaster for some time, and died in 1907, his remains being buried in the cemetery of the church at Ironville. He was married to Mary Heineman, daughter of Isaac Heineman. She was born in 1835, and died in 1904. They had eight children: Alice, Henry, William, Anna, Sherman, Howard E., and two died in infancy.

Howard E. Daum, engaged in the slate business at Slatington and Slatedale for a number of years, was born at Ironville, Lancaster county, April 14, 1868, and attended the public schools there and at Columbia. He followed the printing trade for a time, but then learned telegraphing and filled positions with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, at Columbia and Wilkes-Barre, until 1889, when he became dispatcher for the P. & R. R. Co., at Slatington, and served three years. He then accepted the position of traveling salesman for the Slatington-Bangor Slate Co., in soliciting trade in the eastern section of the United States and continued with this company and others, until 1901, when he engaged in the business of manufacturing blackboards and structural slate, locating his factory at Slatington. His business soon developed to such proportions that he was obliged to remove his plant to Slatedale and there he conducted it in a most successful manner until he died Feb. 6, 1912. He became affiliated with the Elks, Knights of Pythias, Junior Order of U. A. M.,



and the Royal Arcanum. He took great interest in local education and served several terms as a member of the Slatington school board, officiating as secretary at the time of his decease.

On March 8, 1898, Mr. Daum was married to Ida Catharine Bachman, a daughter of Walter Bachman, whose sketch also appears in this publication, and they had one child, a son, named Ivor Howard.

#### GEORGE DAVIES FAMILY.

George Davies, deceased, formerly the senior member of the well-known foundry and machine firm of Davies and Thomas, Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, was born in the village of Merthyr-Tydvil, Glamorganshire, Wales, April 9, 1837. The firm of Davies and Thomas was formed in 1879 and rapidly built up a very large business. In the execution of some responsible contracts they established a great reputation throughout the eastern portion of the United States.

His father, Daniel Davies, also a native of Wales, and a molder by trade, left his native land in June, 1846 accompanied by his family, and arrived in New York in July of the same year. He found employment as a foundryman in the Novelty Works, New York City, afterward being employed in Jersey City, New Jersey, and Phoenixville, Pennsylvania; later he went to Tamaqua where he entered the employ of the late Hopkin Thomas, father of the junior partner of Davies and Thomas. In the early part of 1849 Mr. Davies left Tamaqua and went to Weatherly, and in July of 1850, came to Catasauqua, entering the foundry of the Crane Iron Company, under the late David Williams, manufacturing castings on contract. Severing his connection with the Crane Iron Company in 1865, he entered into partnership with William Thomas in the foundry business, purchasing the old planing mill in East Catasauqua; three months later his son, George, was admitted to partnership. After two years the firm of Davies and Thomas was dissolved, Mr. Thomas withdrawing his interest after which the title became Davies and Son, and the business was thus conducted until the death of Daniel Davies, in April, 1876, at sixty-three years of age.

He was a man of staunch integrity and honorable, upright principles, and for many years held membership in the Presbyterian church. His wife, Mary (Phillips) Davies, was born in Wales, and died there in the year 1839. Their children were: John, who died in 1862; George, mentioned hereinafter; and Mary A., who became the wife of James Thomas.

George Davies spent the first nine years of his life uneventfully in the land of his birth.

Coming to Catasauqua with his father in 1850 he worked at the trade of molder for two years, after which he served an apprenticeship of five years at the trade of machinist with the Crane Iron Company, under Hopkins Thomas. In 1861, in company with Thomas Jones, he entered Eastman's Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, and graduated with honors from that noted commercial school. In 1863, while at Parryville, he enlisted as first sergeant of Captain James Thomas' Company, Thirty-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Emergency Volunteers, Colonel Charles Albright commanding. He marched with his company to Gettysburg, thence to Port Richmond, Philadelphia, and was honorably discharged at the expiration of his term of service.

Mr. Davies, prior to the war, was employed as master mechanic in Belvidere, New Jersey, Camden and Amboy (New Jersey) shops, the Novelty Works, New York City, and at Parryville, Pennsylvania. After the close of hostilities he returned to the latter named place, and became master mechanic there for a short period of time. He then took up his residence in Catasauqua, and with the exception of about five years (1871 to 1876) when he had charge of the Carbon Iron Works at Parryville, he remained there until his death. In 1879 his brother-in-law, James Thomas, with whom he had been on terms of intimacy from childhood, purchased a one-half interest in the foundry and machine shop at Catasauqua, and this business relationship continued until the death of Mr. Davies. The two men were devoted companions, the wishes of one being law with the other. The firm manufactured castings for many important enterprises, including the underground electric railway in Washington, D. C., the Broadway cable in New York, the East River Tunnel, the Hudson River Tunnel and the Traction and People's cable lines in Baltimore. They also manufactured car castings and were the designers and original manufacturers of the Davies and Thomas engine. The works occupied at the time of Mr. Davies' death about ten acres, the foundry covering one acre, and the machine-shop being one hundred and thirty-five long by fifty feet wide. There were four large boilers, two blowers operated by two Davies and Thomas engines of one hundred and fifteen horse-power, and fifteen cranes, two of which, made by William R. Thomas, will lift fifteen tons each. The firm was identified with the Wahnetah Silk Company, of which Mr. Thomas was president and Mr. Davies a director. There was also the principal stockholders in the Electric Light and Power Company, which was established in 1890.

Mr. Davies was also a director in the Bethlehem Electric Light and Power Company, which was established in 1882, and of which James Thomas was president. He was the owner of valuable real estate in West Bethlehem, and a stockholder in the Catasauqua National Bank.

Mr. Davies was identified with the Masonic fraternity, holding membership in Porter Lodge No. 284, at Catasauqua. He was a staunch adherent of the principles of the Republican party, but was unwilling to allow his name to be presented for official position, preferring to devote his entire time to business pursuits. As a member of the school board, upon which he was serving at the time of his death, he was instrumental in promoting the grade of scholarship in the Catasauqua schools. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which body he served in the capacity of trustee, steward and class-leader. He was a member of the building committee at the time of the erection of Grace Methodist Church and parsonage, and was one of the most liberal contributors thereto.

On August 4, 1864, in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, Mr. Davies was united in marriage to Mary A. Evans, who emigrated from Wales and daughter of Thomas R. Evans, who emigrated from Wales to America, settling in Catasauqua, where for many years he followed the trade of blacksmith. Mrs. Davies received an excellent education in Tremont Normal school, and was a successful teacher prior to her marriage. The following children were born to them: John M., who died in 1885; Elizabeth, who became the wife of Harry E. Graffin, of Catasauqua; Rowland T., mentioned hereinafter; George, who was superintendent for the Westchester Lighting Company at White Plains, New York, for a couple of years; later was connected with the Davies and Thomas Company's Works, but is now serving a responsible position in New York; James T., who is mentioned later, and two infant children who died at Parryville.

Mr. Davies passed away at his late residence, Second and Race Streets, Catasauqua, Monday evening, October 1, 1894, after an illness of two days. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon from his late residence, the Rev. C. M. Simpson, his pastor, preaching an eloquent discourse, the Rev. Dr. Earle, of the First Presbyterian Church, offering the prayer, and a selected choir rendering appropriate music. It was one of the largest and most eloquent tributes ever paid to a deceased citizen of Catasauqua. The workmen attended in a body, and numbered about one hundred and fifty. The remains were interred in the family plot in Fairview cemetery. Mr. Davies was a most affectionate

husband, a devoted father, a loving brother, a true and excellent citizen, a consistent Christian, a considerate employer, and on all sides were spoken words of praise for the manner in which he acted the part of a true man. His like is seldom met, and his sudden death was universally regretted. At a meeting of the board of directors of the Catasauqua School District, the president announced the death of their late fellow-member, George Davies, whereupon the following was unanimously adopted:

In view of the death of our fellow school director, Mr. George Davies, we, the remaining members of the Board, desire to put on record our conviction that in the death of Mr. Davies the educational interests of Catasauqua have suffered a heavy loss. The public schools have lost a liberal-minded and liberal-handed patron; the teachers and pupils have lost a kind and considerate friend, who was ever ready to promote their interests. In the School Board we have always found in him a congenial associate, a wise and prudent counsellor and an enthusiastic advocate of everything that seemed to be necessary for the improvement of our schools.

As a mark of respect for the departed, we close the schools on the day of the burial, in order that the teachers, as well as the Board of Directors, may attend the funeral in a body; and as a farther mark of respect, we agree to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Davies by the appointment of his eldest son, Rowland T. Davies, as a member of the Board until the next election.

A special meeting of the Board of Health called and convened October 3, 1894, to take action on the death of Mr. George Davies. On motion the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That in the death of Mr. George Davies the Board loses an honored, esteemed and efficient member, whose wisdom and council will often be missed in our deliberations.

*Resolved*, That we extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of trial and sorrow.

*Resolved*, As a last tribute of respect, we attend his funeral on Thursday, October 4, 1894, in a body. AUSTIN A. GLICK, *Secretary*.

ROWLAND T. DAVIES, the second oldest son of George and Mary A. (Evans) Davies, was born March 24, 1869, at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. During his boyhood days he attended the public schools from which he graduated in 1884, and later became a pupil of A. N. Ulrich, of Catasauqua, who conducted a private school for the preparation of boys for college. Subsequent-





*George Davis*





ly he entered Lehigh University, but left this institution prior to his graduation, and at once began his business career by entering the Davies & Thomas Works. After working in the shops for two years, he entered the office of the works, and after the death of his father, October 1, 1894, when the company was incorporated, he was appointed vice-president of the same, and has served that responsible position until January, 1909. Mr. Davies is very popular among his business associates and personal friends, owing to his many excellent characteristics. He is active and prominent in Masonic circles, being Past Master of Porter Lodge, No. 284, and Past High Priest of Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278; member of Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T. and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Reading. He is a member of the Catasauqua Club, of which he was president for two years. He is a Republican in politics, and at the death of his father he filled his unexpired term as member of the health and school boards of Catasauqua. In May, 1911, the court of Lehigh county appointed him receiver of taxes of Catasauqua, to serve the unexpired term of David Tolan, deceased. Since 1907 he serves as a director of the Catasauqua National Bank; is treasurer of the Porter Club since 1912 and for some years serves Porter Lodge and Catasauqua Chapter in a similar position. On June 15, 1898, he was married to Miss Mary Alice Lambert, who died July 4, 1898, three weeks after their wedding.

JAMES T. DAVIES was born November 2, 1878. He was educated in the Catasauqua high school; the Beltz Academy, at Stamford, Connecticut; the Stiles' Preparatory Academy, at Ithaca, New York, and at the Lehigh University. He followed the machinist trade with the Davies Thomas Company for three years, then was transferred into the office and became the assistant to the purchasing agent, continuing in that position until February, 1911. He now conducts a cigar, tobacco and confectionary business at the corner of Bridge and Front streets, in Catasauqua, where he has always lived. He is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. A. M., and of the Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278, Royal Arch Masons. He and family worship in the Methodist Church.

He was married in 1902 to Miss Elizabeth S. Snyder, daughter of William and Eliza (Yoder) Snyder. They have these two children: Mary E., and William S.

#### CLARENCE T. DAVIS.

Clarence T. Davis, the secretary and treasurer of the Rionor Silk Company, of Allentown, was born Nov. 9, 1879, son of John E. and Emma

M. (Knerr) Davis. The paternal grandfather (a native of Wales), had emigrated to the United States and settled in Lehigh county. Emma M. Knerr was a daughter of Dr. Jacob Knerr, who conducted a drug store at Front and Allen streets for many years, being succeeded by Dr. William Fegley. Dr. Knerr was married to Matilda Mertz, a daughter of Rev. David Mertz, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume.

Clarence T. Davis obtained his education in the public schools and in the Allentown Business College, attending the night sessions in the latter institution. He filled various positions with the Adelaide Silk Company during an employment of seven years. In 1902 he became connected with Rionor Silk Mills then operated by Charles A. Zinderstein. After the death of Mr. Zinderstein the Rionor Silk Co. was incorporated, Mr. Davis becoming the secretary and treasurer.

He is prominently identified with the Grace U. E. church and Sunday school having been the lay delegate of the church to the Annual Conference and superintendent of the Sunday school since its organization in 1906.

In 1904 he was united in marriage to Florence M. Leinberger, a daughter of Edward and Jennie (Erdman) Leinberger. Their children are: Dorothy E., Madeline L. and Donald E. Davis.

#### CASPER DEBUS.

Casper Debus, a native of Kreis Giessen, Ober Hessen, Germany, was born Nov. 21, 1883. In 1892, he emigrated, landing at New York with Philip Schneider (who in that year had paid a visit to his native country). He was in the employ of Mr. Schneider in a shoe factory for eight years, from 1902 to 1910. Then he purchased and cultivated a farm of 80 acres in Bucks county, for two seasons, and in 1911 he settled in Allentown.

In 1905 he married Mary, a daughter of Addison Wentz, and their children are: Dorothea E., Catharine E., and Clarence H.

#### DECH FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Dech family in America was John Dech, born in Germany, probably in the neighborhood of Nuremberg, in 1720, who came to Pennsylvania in 1734. A redemptioner like so many others of his time, he had to work out his passage money and later became prosperous and lived at Sumneytown in old Bucks county. Thence he was attracted to the newly-formed county of Northampton, where he settled near Bethlehem, and became the father of Jacob Dech, born in 1746, died in 1833. Jacob

Dech purchased various tracts of land in Allen township, enlisted as a soldier in the Revolutionary army and was married to Christina Best, daughter of Jacob Best, of Williams township, Northampton county. They had five children, viz.: John, who married Elizabeth Oberly; Anna, married to David Kenmerer, the father of the Rev. David Kemmerer, of Worcester, O.; Jacob, who married Mary Magdalene Oberly; Elizabeth married to Christian Laubach, and Andrew (born 1793, died in 1854), who married Katharine Heller (born 1790, died 1866), a daughter of Joseph Heller, whose grandfather, Christopher Heller born near Bingen on the Rhine, in 1688 came to America, in 1738, and founded the present Hellertown.

In 1817 Andrew Dech purchased from his father, Jacob, a large farm in Allen township, near Schoenersville. He and his father were active members of Christ Church, Schoenersville, and in the old churchyard several generations of the Dechs lie buried. His children were Edward, Solomon, John, Julia Ann, married to Conrad Seem, Sarah married to John D. Sweitzer, Rebecca married to Simon Arndt, Jacob, who married Rebecca Wieand, and Joseph who married Elizabeth Ritter.

Solomon Dech, the son of Andrew and Katharine Heller Dech, was born in 1818, married in 1840 to Matilda Magdalene Dreisbach, the daughter of Jarob Dreisbach and great-granddaughter of Simon Dreisbach noted for his distinguished services in the War of the Revolution, and died in Allentown, in 1876. Mr. Dech owned several farms in Northampton county, and a hotel in Catsauqua, and was a grain merchant in New York. With his family he moved to Allentown, in 1868, and he and Mrs. Dech became active workers in St. Paul's Lutheran church. Their children were: C. Wilson Dech, of Allentown, who has two sons, William Solomon, and Lloyd K., a grocer in Allentown, and one daughter, Eva Edith, married to Warren Schall, of Bethlehem; Amanda C., married to the Rev. George M. Lazarus, to whom were born the following children: the Rev. Jacob W. Lazarus, of Vinemont, Pa.; Dr. Newton C. Lazarus, now deceased; Dr. George F. Lazarus, of New York, and the Rev. Luther Dech Lazarus, of Bethlehem, later married to Rudolph Babp, of Nazareth; and Ella C. M. Dech, married to John Stopp, postmaster of Allentown, the father of the Rev. Samuel A. Bridges Stopp, of Allentown, Joseph H. Stopp, lawyer, and banker in Philadelphia, and John Franklin Stopp, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Jacob Dech was a farmer in East Allen township. He is buried at Hecktown. His

children named below are all deceased: Josiah, Reuben, Aaron, William, Joseph, Stephen, Charles, Daniel, and Mary Ann, who died in 1910, the widow of Samuel Keller.

Aaron Dech, son of Jacob, was born in East Allen Township, Northampton county, Sept. 29, 1819. He was a merchant at Farmersville for many years. The merchandise he bought in Philadelphia, to which city he hauled his produce and the grain which he raised upon his large farm. He made frequent trips to Philadelphia with a four-horse team and he acted as the banker for the people of his community, as well as for some at Easton. He was entrusted with large sums of money and never was that confidence in him misplaced. He died Sept. 19, 1898, in his eightieth year, and is buried at Shoenersville. He was a member of the Reformed Congregation of the church at Hecktown, and there he served as a deacon. He married Amanda Schreiber, and they had three children: Alice, died aged ten years; Jacob S.; Taylor P.; Mary (1857-1901) died unmarried, and Ursula.

Taylor P. Dech was born in 1846, and is one of the three owners of his father's farm in Hanover, which consists of 146 acres of level land which is in the Dech family about seventy years. He is unmarried.

Jacob S. Dech, a brother of Taylor P., was born on the family homestead in 1850. He was married to Ida, daughter of Samuel Heim. She died a number of years ago, without issue, and is buried at Allentown.

C. WILSON DECH, son of Solomon, of Allentown, was born in East Allen township, Northampton county, Pa., May 4, 1848. He was educated in the public schools and Muhlenberg College, leaving the latter when a sophomore to read law with the Hon. J. H. Oliver, then a prominent attorney and citizen of Lehigh county, but who died after a successful canvass for the nomination of congressman, from the immediate effects of typhoid fever. The death of the preceptor of Mr. Dech caused him to change his career after having read law one and one-half years. His father having also died in the mean time, leaving a large estate, Mr. Dech took hold of it as one of the administrators, operating his three large farms. One farm of one hundred acres was located in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, and the other two farms were situated in Northampton county.

At this time Mr. Dech was appointed assistant postmaster of Allentown under the administration of President Benjamin Harrison and he served the office four years. In 1896 he became a brick manufacturer in the Twelfth Ward, un-



der the name of Kichline Brick Co. This firm employed about 25 people, and continued in business until 1907. Since this time Mr. Dech lives retired at his residence, No. 213 Lehigh Street. He has charge of the Kichline properties, in the Twelfth Ward.

He is a Republican and has taken an active interest in his party since he is of age. In 1875 he represented the Third Ward in the city council; was for twelve years chairman of the second ward executive committee; and was a prominent candidate for the office of county commissioner on three different occasions, having lacked 125 votes only at the general election in 1902. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A.

He married Anna E. Kichline in 1869. She is a daughter of the late Jacob and Eliza (Engleman) Kichline, late of Salisbury township. Their children are: Eva E., the wife of W. W. Scholl of West Bethlehem; Harvey K., died an accidental death, aged eight years; William S., in 1910 was a census enumerator; and is a chemist and cement tester for the firm of Hunt & Co., with offices in Chicago, New York, and San Francisco; and Lloyd K., a grocer at 544 Union Street.

Reuben Dech, son of Jacob Dech, who was reared upon the farm and educated in the common schools of that day. He became a farmer and miner of iron ore, in Lower Macungie township. He was a member of the Reformed Church and also served it as a deacon. Reuben Dech married Maria A. Lichtenwalner, daughter of Charles Lichtenwalner. Issue: (1) Victor Jacob Charles and (2) Estella (Mrs. Harry Gerhart).

Victor Jacob Charles Dech, son of Reuben and Maria (Lichtenwalner) Dech, was born Oct. 11, 1874, in Lower Macungie township, Lehigh county. He acquired his education in the public schools, at Schuylkill Seminary, and Muhlenberg College and Dorney's Business College. He first became a clerk in the store of Aaron Weinberger, then engaged for himself in the wood and willow ware business; then entered the employ of A. J. Ziegler, and was connected with him for seventeen years. He is now a member of the firm of A. J. Ziegler & Co., and is a buyer for the company and in this capacity does considerable traveling and a member of P. O. S. of A.; the Travelers' Protective Association, and of St. John's Reformed Church. In politics, he is a Republican.

Victor Jacob Charles Dech married Oct. 10, 1896, Fannie I. Egner, daughter of Charles P. and Amanda (Fatzinger?) Egner, of Emaus, and Schnecksville. No issue.

#### ANDREW DEEG.

Andrew Deeg, a native of Germany, was born Nov. 23, 1856, and educated in the public schools of his country. In the year 1882 he emigrated to the United States and for a time was located in New Jersey. In 1884 he went to New York, but shortly afterward removed to Egypt, Pa., where he worked upon a farm for a time, and later in a stone quarry. After working for twelve years for the American Cement Co., in 1896 he accepted a position with the Lehigh Portland Cement Co., and there he is foreman in the quarry.

By thrift and economy Mr. Deeg acquired his own home and a number of houses at Ormrod. He married Amelia, a daughter of Carl and Maria (Frank) Kosner. They are members of the Lutheran congregation of the Egypt church, and have an adopted daughter, named Elsie J. Guldin Deeg, who is being educated in the township school.

#### HOWARD JACOB DEESCH.

Jesse W. De Esch was a resident of Emaus. He married Anna C. Shipe, daughter of Jacob and Mary A. Shipe. Mr. De Esch died aged 56 years. He was of Moravian faith. Their children were: (1) Howard Jacob; (2) Charles, of Sumneytown; (3) George W., of Emaus; (4) Emma (Mrs. Charles Grubbs); Alonzo; (5) Robert W.; and (6) Edward De Esch.

Howard J. DeEsch, son of Jessie W. and Anna C. (Shipe) DeEsch, was born Aug. 7, 1862, at Emaus, Pa. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age learned the trade of cigar-making, with Hanan Brothers, continuing with them four years. He then entered the employ of the P. & R. R. Co., as a trainman and on March 4, 1884, he was appointed a conductor to run between Harrisburg and Allentown. He built a home in Emaus, but at present resides in Allentown. He is a member of the K. of P., of Emaus; of Barger Lodge No. 333, of Allentown; I. O. O. F.; Mystic Shrine, R. R. Relief Association, Conductors' Mutual Association and of Salem Reformed church.

Howard J. De Esch married Sept. 26, 1885, Laura J. Schmoyer, daughter of Thomas L. and Sallie (Kocher) Schmoyer. Issue: Bessie G., a graduate of Allentown High School and Ermia L., a student.

#### FRANKLIN P. DE GROOT.

William H. De Groot, father of Franklin P. De Groot, of Catasauqua, was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He died in 1880, aged about

40 and is buried at Bath, Steuben county, N. Y. For some time he followed boating and later became an engineer on the Pennsylvania railroad. During the Civil War he rendered valuable service to his country as a soldier. He was a member of the Methodist church. Caroline Stout, his wife, was also from Poughkeepsie, N. Y. She died May 2, 1911, aged 63 years, and is buried at Brooklyn, N. Y. They had an only son, Franklin P. De Groot, who resides at Catasauqua, Pa., where he is superintendent of the press department, in the Bryden Horse Shoe Works, for the past 25 years. He also has charge of the inspection of rolled iron. Mr. De Groot was born at Newberg, N. Y., May 2, 1865. At an early age he learned the machinist trade and in 1890 came to Catasauqua and has been in continuous service with the largest horse shoe manufacturing concern in the world. Mr. and Mrs. De Groot are members of the Presbyterian church. He is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M., and Catasauqua Chapter No. 278, Royal Arch Masons. On May 4, 1893, he was married to Lizzie Clugston, daughter of James and Elizabeth (McHenry) Clugston, a native of Ireland. For nine years Mrs. De Groot was a very successful teacher in the schools of Catasauqua. This family has been blessed with four children: Jarvis, who graduated from the Catasauqua High School in 1910 with first honor and from the Bethlehem Preparatory School in 1911, also with first honor, and is now taking the mechanical engineering course in Lehigh University; James C., a student in the Catasauqua High school; Jennie, and Franklin P., Jr.

#### DEILY FAMILY.

Frederick Deily, the first of the name in this vicinity, lived in Bethlehem township, but later moved to Salisbury township, where he died Sept. 11, 1790, aged 81 years. His sons were Philip, born April 12, 1754, died June 22, 1843, Daniel and George.

Daniel Deily was born in 1755. In the Revolutionary War, he enlisted Jan. 25, 1776, in the service of the United States, in the company of Capt. Thomas Craig, attached to the second battalion of the Penna. Line, and marched with his battalion to Canada. He served over a year, when he was honorably discharged. He afterwards served as militiaman for two terms of three months each. In 1790 he lived in Salisbury township, and about 1815 moved to Allentown, where he died, Feb. 12, 1825. He and his wife, Catharine, had six children: George, Christian, Henry, Jacob, Catharine, wife of

Philip Gross, and Mary Barbara, wife of George Henry.

His son, George Deily, was born June 27, 1781, and died Nov. 21, 1870.

Joseph Deily, son of Christian, was born in Salisbury township, March 24, 1823. Early in life he was a carpenter and worked in Salisbury, in Hanover, and in Northampton county. Later he was a contractor and employed a number of men. He was a deacon, elder, and trustee of the Lutheran Church for many years and is buried at Rittersville. He was a prominent man and served in the capacity of school director and assessor. He died Aug. 16, 1900, aged 77 years. His wife was Sallie Keiper, daughter of Daniel Keiper. She was born in the spring of 1822, and resides with her daughter, Emma Horlacher, at Noxon, Pa. The following children were born to them: Edwin; Eli G., who died in 1903, aged 57 years; Jesse; Hiram; Oliver; Emma, wife of Frank Horlacher; Mary, wife of Jerome Christman, who resides in the Twelfth ward, and William.

OLIVER DEILY, a son of Joseph and Sallie Deily, and a citizen of the Fourteenth ward, formerly East Allentown, was born in Hanover township, Sept. 6, 1854. He learned the trade of a carpenter from his father at the age of seventeen years and followed it until 1882. Later he was a pattern-maker and had charge of the carpenters for the Allentown Iron Company for twenty-eight years. In 1905, he engaged in the contracting business in East Allentown, where he has resided the greater part of his life. He erected twenty-five houses, aside from his other work, and employs from three to seven men. He served as a trustee in St. Joseph's Lutheran church for six years. He is connected with the P. O. S. of A., J. O. U. A. M., and Senior Mechanics.

He married, in 1874, Emma Kline, daughter of Enos and his wife, *nee* Rinker, Kline, and their children are: George G., of East Allentown Charles F., of East Allentown, and Bertha, single, who was a public school teacher.

Jacob Deily was born Sept. 15, 1789, and died May 14, 1881, aged 91 years. He married, March 17, 1813, Mary Magdalena, daughter of George Geissinger, of Salisbury township. She was born Oct. 9, 1794, and died March 26, 1883, aged 88 years. They lived for a time on Lehigh street, Allentown. On June 23, 1821, his father-in-law bought a 159-acre farm south of Catasauqua, and they later removed to the farm. Mr. Geissinger died in 1823, and by decree of the orphans' court, the farm was awarded to Jacob Deily. They had six children:

Sarah Deily, born June 11, 1813, died Oct.



3, 1840. She married, in September, 1830, Rudolphus Kent, born July 4, 1803, son of Rudolphus and Mary Kent, of Morristown, N. J. They resided at Jenkintown. Mr. Kent was a general in the Mexican War. Mrs. Kent died Oct. 3, 1840. They had sons, Ellis, of Bethlehem, and Brigadier General Jacob F. Kent, U. S. A., retired, of West Troy, N. Y.

George Deily, born Sept. 2, 1815, at Allentown. He attended the Allentown schools and in 1825 removed to the Deily farm with his parents. In 1849 he bought the canal store, located in the stone house at Race and Canal streets, Catasauqua, which he conducted until the flood of 1862, after which he retired. At the time of his death he owned two farms in Hanover, two in Allen, and one in South Whitehall township. He died Nov. 17, 1902, aged 87 years, and was buried at Shoenersville. He married Eliza, youngest daughter of General Benjamin Fogel, and his wife, Anna Trexler. She was born Oct. 4, 1831, and died June 18, 1905. They had two children: George B. F. Deily, merchant, and coal dealer, and Mary, wife of Peter J. Laubach, both of Slatington.

Francis J. Deily was born at Allentown, July 31, 1824, and died at Catasauqua, Oct. 10, 1897. For many years he farmed the homestead and lived in the fine old colonial home built by George Taylor, signer of the Declaration of Independence. He married, in 1858, Sarah, daughter of Rudolph and Sabina Dech, of Bath, and had one daughter, Camilla E., wife of Dr. Charles E. Milson, who has three children, Gertrude, Helen, and Ruth.

Solomon Deily, born Feb. 9, 1828, died July 24, 1872.

Matilda Deily, married, June 6, 1854, Robert J. Yeager.

Clara, born 1835, died March 19, 1902, married Frank Medlar, and had two sons, Henry and Albert, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter, of Bethlehem.

George Deily, third son of Frederick, was born in Philipsburg, N. J., in 1760. In the War of the Revolution he served two terms of two months each in 1777, when he marched to Whitemarsh. In 1778 he served on the frontiers for two months, and in 1781 he again entered the army as a volunteer and marched to Peekskill, N. Y. He lived in Salisbury township in 1790, but died in South Whitehall, April 17, 1847, aged 87, and is buried at Jordan Lutheran church. He was married, in 1787, by Rev. Goetz, to Maria Elizabeth Diehl, born about 1767.

#### DEIBERT FAMILY.

The name of the family was originally Tauber, signifying a dealer in doves. The name is still retained by a tributary of the main in Germany, whence the ancestors of the American stock emigrated. A peculiarity of some dialects in Germany, as well as of the Pennsylvania German vernacular, is the change of the initial "t" to "d," and the addition of the letter "t" to the suffix "er." Examples of the former change are the transition from Truckenmiller to Druckenmiller, Tiefenwifer to Diefenderfer, Taubler to Deibler; the latter transition will be noticed in the change of Boger to Bogert, Herber to Herbert, Schiffer to Schiffert. Both of these changes appear in this family name. The first transition was made to Taubert, subsequently changed to Teubert. Other recent forms of the name are Deuber, Deuver, Deiber, Deubert, and Deibert. Thus these various forms appear in the names of Catharin Tauber (Mrs. John Adam Roeder) who came to America in 1724; Rev. R. Tauber, Hosmer, S. Dak.; Wilhelm Taubert (1811-1891), a prominent musician in Berlin, and composer of "Kinderlieder;" Emil Taubert (1844-1895), teacher in Frederick Wilhelm's Gymnasium, dramatist and poet; Michael Teubert, later Michael Deiber, the first of the family in Lowhill; Michael Deiver, the first to settler in Berks county; Rev. S. Deuber, Man-kato, Minn.; Rev. G. Deiber, Elma, Ia.

The first member of this family known to have emigrated to America was Michael Deiver (Deiber), "b" being changed to "v," a peculiarity occurring in Evert, Gruver and many other names. He was the ancestor of the Deiberts in Schuylkill county. He settled in Richmond township, Berks county, near Michael's church between the years 1714 and 1720. He emigrated from Wurtemberg, and brought with him three sons, Michael, Christopher, and Wilhelm, the oldest being three years of age. Christopher settled in Virginia. In 1744, Michael, married Miss Renschler, and Wilhelm, married Elizabeth Waver, obtained a tract of 300 acres in North Manheim township, Schuylkill county, Pa., along the road leading from Schuylkill Haven to Landingville. Their descendants located principally at Pottsville, Schuylkill Haven, and Orwigsburg, and constitute a numerous and notable branch of the Deibert family.

It was about the middle of the eighteenth century that Michael Deiber and Jacob Deiber (Teubert in the record) obtained from Johann Ulrich a tract of 400 acres in North Whitehall in what is known as Deibert's Valley. They

were the ancestors of the Lehigh county branch of the Deibert family. In habits, religion, and distinctive family characteristics, there is so remarkable a similarity between the Lehigh county and Schuylkill county branches that their descent from a common ancestry is very obvious.

This tract was subsequently divided between Tobias and Jacob Deibert, sons of Michael Deibert, the former retaining the old log house in the southern section, which later became the possession of his son Tobias. He purchased an adjoining farm from Peter Kuntz, which he occupied after selling the old homestead to Tilghman Klotz. Jacob built himself a new house in the northern section which successively became the property of his son Henry, his grandson Stephen and Tilghman, and his great grandson, Milton.

Little is known of the descendants of Jacob Deibert, one of the original settlers. In the latter part of the eighteenth century three Deibert brothers emigrated west.

George Adam Deibert, believed to be another brother, remained in Deibert Valley. These four brothers were contemporaries of the children of Jacob's brother, Michael, and can only be accounted for by assuming that they were children of Jacob.

Peter Deibert was a son of one of the brothers who emigrated. He was a blacksmith and plied his trade in Lowhill, assuming charge of the shop of Michael Deibert, after his death in 1825. He was unmarried, and in old age he joined his brothers in the West.

George Adam Deibert had these children; Jacob (1794-1859), blind; Daniel (1801-); Michael, blind; Joseph (1857-1870), blind; George, almost blind; Mrs. Arndt, mother of blind children; Mrs. Moyer, mother of blind children.

Michael Deibert left his home in Deibert's Valley and settled in Lowhill, his name appearing on the tax list of that township in 1762. In 1774, he purchased a tract of 25 acres from the heirs of Nicholas Sieger. This tract was conveyed to Nicholas Sieger in 1759 by John Shade, who obtained it by proprietary warrant in 1754. In 1774, Michael Deibert also acquired another tract of 97 acres adjoining the first tract, from Jacob Wolf for one hundred pounds, and one penny. These latter tracts were sold to Lewis Ruschel in 1778 for one hundred and seventy-eight pounds. On the deed appear the names of Col. Stephen Balliet and Martin Groff as witnesses. These tracts formed the nucleus of Col. Harry Trexler's vast animal reserve. This tract was known as the Geiger farm, and is at present tenanted by James Snyder. He was a blacksmith by trade. He was married to Maria Bar-

bara, and had these children: Michael (1756-1825), John (1766-), Tobias, Jacob, and Margaritha (1761-).

Michael Deibert, Sr., son of Michael Deibert, took an extensive section of land lying on both sides of the Jordan, and lived in the house lately occupied by the family of Solomon Klotz. He was a blacksmith and his shop was located opposite his house across the road. He was a member of the building committee that superintended the erection of the Union Church in 1797, and was also a member of the committee formed to conduct a lottery, authorized by act of Assembly, to defray the expense incurred in erecting a new school building at Unionville in 1808. It is now used as a dwelling house of the organist of Union church. He was married to Barbara Gross (1764-1840), and had these children: Michael (1785-1858), John (1790-1862), Jonas, Daniel (1787-1861), and Catharine (1792-1850).

Michael Deibert, Jr., and his brothers took the old tract and divided it. Michael took the section south of the Jordan constituting at present the farms of Henry Shoemaker and Charles George. John kept the old homestead, and later built himself a new brick house upon that part of his tract now owned by Frank Ult. Daniel took the part that was later owned by Moses Wehr, and is at present a part of Col. Harry C. Trexler's tract. Jonas who moved to Weisenberg township, received the rest of the tract. Michael and his son Dennis took charge of a store and hotel in Schencksville in 1833, but they returned to the Lowhill homestead in 1840. Later Michael erected a new home which was occupied by his son Reuben, with whom he lived until his death in 1858. He was a member of the building committee that erected the Morgenland church. He was married to Salome Newhard (1790-1870) and had these children: James (1809-1826), Joseph (1815-1828), Mary, Dennis (1812-1872); Reuben (1825-1898) and Solomon (1827-1904).

Dennis was married to Rachel Jacob (1811-1859), and had two children, Michael and Sarah Anna. Michael was married to Jane Newhard, and had these children: Dennis A., married to Jennie Buchecker; William, married to Emma Groman; Magdalena, married to William L. Rau; Ida M.; Annie R. ( -1889) and Clara E. ( -1880). He has nine grand children. Sarah Anna was married to Benjamin Dornblaser, and has these children: Theodore Dennis, married to Edna Mertzler; Annie Rachel, married to Llewellyn Allender (first husband) and Francis Clauser (second husband); Magdalena (died); George William (died). She has seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Reuben Deiber lived on the farm which he received from his father until several years prior to his death when he moved to Ruhtown. He was successful as a veterinary surgeon, and was a school director in Lowhill for twenty-one years. He was married to Caroline Schneck (1831-1908) and had these children: Mary, Martha (Mrs. Owen Werley), Fietta (Mrs. Irwin Ackey), Alice blind (1857-1867), Rebecca, blind, James, blind. There are six grandchildren and one great grand child.

Solomon Deibert was a shoemaker by trade. He made shoes in Philadelphia for a short time and then conducted the business in Schencksville for many years. He was married to Fianina Sell (1833-1890). He had five sons: Joseph P., married to Flora A. Kern; Milton, married to Jane Hausman; Charles, married to Maude Slotterback; George and Franklin. There were five daughters: Maggie (Mrs. Augustus Steckler); Emma married to Rev. J. S. Miller, who has four children and two grandchildren; Sarah (Mrs. A. J. Baer); who has two children; and Carrie (Mrs. Q. A. Kuehner), who died Jan. 21, 1914.

Joseph Deibert has three sons: Rev. Willis E. Deibert, Birdsboro, Pa.; Edward J. Deibert, M. D., Hellertown, Pa.; Arthur S., a student at Muhlenberg College.

Milton Deibert lives on a farm near South Boardman, Mich. He has these children: William, Harry, Artie, Glen, Roy, and Blanche.

Charles M. Deiber, M. D., practices in Millbury, Ohio. He has two children, Lisle and Austin.

George S. Deibert, M. D., is a successful practitioner in Allentown.

John Deibert was married to Maria Krause (1797-1829), later to Miss Moyer (1799-1878). He had these children: Jonathan, Reuben, Nathan, Lewis, Elizabeth, Simon, Abigail, Jeremiah, Mary and Amy. All these children were born in the old Deibert homestead, later the home of Solomon Klotz.

Amy was married to Mr. Kleckner, and later to Henry Anderson. She had eight children. She died in Ohio.

Nathan was married to Kate Landis, and later to Lovina Landis. Four children were born to him. He moved to Indiana.

Elizabeth was married to James Mickley. She had three children and seven grandchildren.

Lewis was married to Eliza Moll, and had one child.

Reuben was a blacksmith. He had these children: Sarah (Mrs. Fink); who had nine children and six grandchildren; Jane (Mrs. Dillman), who had nine children and seven grand-

children; Louisa (Mrs. Samuel Shafer), who had eight children and one grandchild; Emma (Mrs. Moyer), who had five children and five grandchildren; Thomas; John Thompson, who had twelve children, viz: Harvey, Ida, William, Laura, Harry, Paul, Elda, Dora, Florence, Oram, Earl, and Emily, and five grandchildren; Susan (Mrs. Pennington) who has one son; Alice (Mrs. Dillman), who has five children and two grandchildren; Milton went to the West, where he was a cowboy; Frank has four children, Carrie, Hattie, Clarke (dead), and Reuben.

Jonathan followed the trade of blacksmith. Though past four score years, he is as active and spry as many far younger. He lives at Weissport and works regularly at the Packerton car shops. His children are Agnes (Mrs. Irwin), Ella (Mrs. Brown), Carrie (Mrs. Nusbaum) and Mary.

Mary (Mrs. Henry Peter), sister of Jonathan, had these children: James, married to Jennie Lees; Alexander, married to Nellie Christ; Charles, married to Emma Keller, living in Colorado; Laura, married to Charles Moyer; Mary, married to Tilghman Frederick; Minnie. She has thirteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Abigail is married to John Scheidy, and is living on the old Scheidy homestead near Rising Sun. Her children are: James, married to Katie Hess; Lizzie, married to Osville Snyder; Ella, married to William Fritzinger. She has eleven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Jeremiah died in 1912.

Simon lives in Indiana. He is married to Miss Landis.

Jonas, brother of John, lived in Northampton county.

Daniel Deibert was married to Elizabeth Buchman (1790-1852). He had six children: Thomas, Maria, William, Tamer, Caroline, and Elizabeth.

Thomas had these children: Seth, killed in war, Benjamin, Jeremiah, Helena, married to Mr. Moyer, later to Mr. Albright, and Rosa, married to Mr. Frey.

Maria was married to Fred Young, and had one child, Oscar.

William was born in Weisenberg, July 3, 1825. He was a director of the Lehigh county Almshouse, and a school director of North Whitehall from 1873 to 1879. He is a shoemaker by trade which occupation he followed for many years at Kernsville, and is still actively engaged in at Siegersville. He married Mary Semler in 1857, and had these children: Jus-

tina (Mrs. Henry Druckenmiller), who had one son, Harry, married to Stella Koch; Ellen (Mrs. Oscar Sechler), who had two children, Robert and Mabel; Frank, married to Ellen Haines, whose children were William, Jennie, Bessie and Alice married to Dallas Frankenfield.

Caroline (Mrs. Thomas Fenstermaker) had three children: Henry, married to Miss Xander; William, married to Alice Fatzinger; Caroline; and Sarah, married to Ed. Gaumer.

Elizabeth, married to Daniel Acker, had three children: Elizabeth (Mrs. Sterner), Jemima (Mrs. Charles Schaefer), and Ada (Mrs. Theodore Keiser).

Catharine Deibert (Mrs. Philip Peter) had the following children: Maria, married to Samuel Dreisbach; Eliza, married to Samuel Kressler, had five children,—Thomas, married to Amelia Hoffman, John, married to Elmira Zellner, Elizabeth (Mrs. Thomas Everitt), Amandas, killed in war, and Alvin, and ten grandchildren, sixteen great grandchildren, and two great great grand-children; Leah, married to Jacob Wotring; Moses, married to Leanda Hausman, whose children were Marsena (Mrs. Amos Trach), Kate (Mrs. Andrew Haas), Os-ville, married to Jane Sensinger, Magdalena (Mrs. Henry Hollenbach), Ellen Jane (Mrs. Wilson Coffin), Elmira (Mrs. Frank Seibert), Emma (Mrs. Peter Conochie); Santee, married to Clarissa Hausman, had these children,—Richard Erasmus, Wilson, Howard, Fianna, Clara, Ida; Susanna (Mrs. Thomas Engler); Aaron; Edward; Lewis P., married to Amanda Knerr, had four children,—Ambrose, married to Lena Pav-ey, has seven children, Charles has two children, Sallie (Mrs. Al Fritz) has two children and two grand children, Hilda and Lewis.

Jacob Deibert, son of Michael Deiber, had possession of the northern section of the original Deiber tract in Deibert's Dale, and remained there until death. He was married to Salome Helfrich, and had two sons, Henry and Daniel, and two daughters,—Sallie (1799-), married to John Miller, and Catharine (1801-), married to Jacob Solt.

Henry Deibert (1804-1859) was married to Christina Miller (1807-1887). He had these children: Stephen (1836-1901), Tilghman (1833-1888); Matilda, married to Stephen Zellner, and Sarah A. (1842-1895).

Stephen Deibert was married to Fianna Deibert (1841-1906). He had four children: Peter W., Benjamin, Cora (Mrs. Walter Hoffman), who has two children, Percy and Leslie, —and Maggie (Mrs. Charles Dieter). Peter W. Deibert was married to Stella Haaf and later to Rosa Ringer. His children are Edna

(Mrs. Edward Johnson), who has one child, Florence and Helen, Minnie, Florence, and Marian. Benjamin Deibert, married to Ada Hoffman, has two children, Homer and Warren.

Tilghman Deibert was married to Julia Semmel. They had one child. Milton married to Alice Kressler, who had one daughter, Carrie, (Mrs. Edward Rabert).

Daniel Deibert had these children: Messina (Mrs. David Huff) had nine children,—Eugene, Oscar, Edward, married to Susan Remaley, Anna (Mrs. Zachary T. Wink), Clara (Mrs. E. F. Schertzinger), Calvin, married to Amanda Kern, Almer, married to Annie Rosser, William, married to Carrie Willmore, and Daisy, married to Abram Behm, and has sixteen grandchildren, and three great grandchildren; Elmina (Mrs. Wm. F. Hecker) has three children, Isola (Mrs. J. Y. Schelly), Annie (Mrs. H. O. Ritter), Julia (Mrs. Ralph Rhoda), and six grand children: Amelia (Mrs. Wm. Metzgar) has five children,—Fred, married to Miss Snyder, Anna (Mrs. Henry Harter), Jane (Mrs. O. E. Mank), Ida (Mrs. Julius German), Nora (Mrs. Clinton Schaeffer), and seventeen grandchildren, and one great grand child; Elias (1840-1863) married Catharine Handwerk. Clement has two children, Fred and Hollie.

Tobias Deibert, Sr., son of Michael Deibert, came into possession of his father's home, situated in the southern section of the original tract. He was married to Catharine Helfrich and had the following children: Tobias (1805-1882), William (1814-1890), married to Margaret Helfrich (1818-1856), Peter (1812-1857), married to Susanna Newhard (1814-1884); Catharine (Mrs. John Roth), Salome (1811-1890), married to J. Yehl, Christiana (1809-1881), married to Daniel Zerfass (1804-1881).

Tobias Deibert, Jr., received his father's farm and later purchased the adjoining Kuntz farm. He was a blacksmith by trade. He was married to Esther Dorward (1808-1888). He was elected supervisor of Highways in 1840, 1851, 1857 and 1866, and was the father of thirteen children: Polly, Elias, Jeremiah, Edwin (1836-1908), Daniel (1829-1898), Alfred, Lydia, (Mrs. Emanuel Hunsicker, 1839-1904), Lucy and Mary (twins), Sallie, Maria, Eliza, and Elizabeth (1828-1880).

Elias took the tract owned by his father. He is now living at Siegfried. He was elected school director of North Whitehall in 1880. He was married to Miss Miller, and had four children: Emma (Mrs. Frank Deibert) had two children; William P.; John; and Agnes (1864-1905) married to Thomas Baer, who had five children.

Edwin was married to Sallie Frantz. He had



two children, Isadore and Rosa (Mrs. Wm. Ritter) who has one son, Clarence, and one grandson, Clarence.

Daniel, married to Adeline Raber (1831-1900), had these children: Ellen (Mrs. Frank Deibert), Mary (Mrs. Peter Frantz), Hannah (Mrs. John Creitz), Josephine, Osville (1860-1873), William, Flora.

Lucy (Mrs. Frank Smith) had five children: Rebecca (Mrs. William Osman), Alice (Mrs. Hecht) William, Erwin, and Milton.

Mary (Mrs. Owen Semmel) had the following children:—Amanda (Mrs. John Young), Ellen (Mrs. Owen Krause), Adelina (Mrs. Kratzer), Henrietta (Mrs. James Bartholomew), Tevillia (Mrs. Leibenguth), Osville, Willoughby, Eli, Daniel, Erwin, and Robert.

Sallie (Mrs. Tilghman Wassum) had these children:—Amanda, Henry, Emanuel, George, Ellamina, Lillie (Mrs. John Liskey), Catharine, Alice, and George.

Christina Deibert, grand daughter of the original Michael Deiber, was married to Daniel Zerfass, and had seven children: Mary (Mrs. Edmund Roth) Henry, married to Rebecca Frantz, Griffith, married to Sarah Walp, Lewis, married to Mary Kern, Elias, married to Sarah Walp (first wife), Lovina Newhard (second wife), Violetta Kemerer (third wife) Peter married to Mary Miller, and Amanda.

William, a farmer near Newhard in Washington township had these children: John, William H., and Fianna (Mrs. Stephen Deibert).

Peter, married to Susanna Newhard (1814-1884) had two children, Frank and Menno.

WILLIAM P. DEIBERT, son of Elias, a former street commissioner of Allentown where he now lives, was born in North Whitehall township, Oct. 10, 1865. At the age of seventeen years he came to Balliettsville and for two years was employed by Aaron Balliet. He then accepted a position as clerk in the general store of B. F. Ritter at Balliettsville for two years and from there he went to Neffs and clerked for Andrews & Kern until 1890, then came to Allentown and for ten years clerked at the Pennsylvania Hotel for Bittner & Hartman, proprietors. The following five years he clerked in the general store of A. E. Bittner. At this time Mr. Deibert became the proprietor of the Mansion House, at Lehigh, which he conducted for three years then removed to Allentown, and built upward of twenty houses in four years time. In 1908, he was appointed street commissioner by Mayor C. O. Hunsicker. In 1912 he engaged in the real estate and building business again. He is a member of Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O.

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F. of Allentown, and Camp No. 119, P. O. S. of A., of Slatington.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1899, he was married to Mantana C. Anthony, a daughter of Daniel Anthony.

William H. Deibert, son of William, son of Tobias, Sr., was born Oct. 15, 1848, and died July 7, 1886. He was a shoemaker at Hoffman's, this county. He served Washington township as its constable for many years. He married Sarah Heilman, a daughter of David Heilman. She was born Sept. 8, 1848, and died on Jan. 23, 1889. Their children are Charles F., and Mary married to C. E. Gehris, of Walberts Station.

Charles F. Deibert, a grocer of Allentown, was born in Washington township, Jan. 18, 1874. He learned the carriage painting trade at Crackersport and followed it eight years. Later he became a clerk at Allentown, and was employed respectively at Bowens, Farris and afterward accepted the position of manager with the United Grocery Stores until in 1908 he engaged in business for himself at 223 North Eleventh street.

He is a member of the St. Stephens Church council; Past Grand of Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O. F., Livingstone Castle No. 258, K. G. E., Past President of Camp 378, P. O. S. of A. of Guthsville and the Modern Woodmen of America.

He married Oct. 15, 1896, Libbie E. H. Rabenold, a daughter of Peter A. and Mary A. (Gehry) Rabenold. Issue: Mildred M. A. Deibert.

#### JOSEPH P. DEIBERT.

*By a former pupil, William Kistler Huff.*

Whole libraries have been written on the influence of the schoolmaster, his power for good in the lives of his boys and girls; but one concrete example is infinitely more convincing than volumes of generalities. Those who can look back to schooldays under Joseph P. Deibert, principal of the schools of Schnecksville, Lehigh county, always regard him one of the most wholesome influences in their lives. Mr. Deibert was born in Schnecksville, attended the village schools, and in 1872 entered the Keystone State Normal School, from which he was graduated as valedictorian of the class of 1875. After teaching a year in Schnecksville he was for two years instructor in English in Northwestern University, Watertown, Wisconsin. This university conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Soon after returning east he was married to Miss Flora Kern, of Slatington. Again elected principal of the Schnecksville schools he has been teaching in North Whitehall township continuously for thirty-five years. He started a

subscription summer school, which in 1885 became the Schnecksville Summer Normal. The fame of this training school for teachers spread rapidly, until it became necessary year after year to turn many away for lack of room. Pupils came from Lehigh and surrounding counties, in such large numbers that it became necessary to turn many away for lack of room. The purposes of the Schnecksville Summer Normal combined those of the old time academy and of the teachers' training school. Mr. Deibert is popularly known as the "Father of Teachers"; probably a hundred and fifty of his former pupils are now teaching, most of them in Lehigh county, an equal number having gone into law, medicine, the ministry, and business.

During the three years, 1906-1909, when he was principal of the North Whitehall Township High School, the number of annual graduates increased from four to sixteen. His success is to some extent due to his "School Outlines," published and copyrighted in 1905, revised and enlarged in 1912, consisting of facts, definitions and queries in Physiology, English Grammar, Spelling, Geography, American History and Civics.

The bare facts of his life, however, furnish a simple record, and fail utterly to do justice to his real work. To understand its real significance one must be on the ground as a pupil and have the benefit of his masterly teaching, his attractive personality, and his inspiring sympathy. In "The Ideal Teacher" George Herbert Palmer, one of the world's really great teachers, outlines the requirements of the ideal teacher, and Mr. Deibert stands the test: the scholarship, the inspiration, the forgetfulness of self in the desire to help the pupil, the understanding, and sympathy, of the ideal teacher, these are Mr. Deibert's dominant qualities. Had he desired to seek glory in that world beyond the quiet hills of North Whitehall he could doubtless have attained it; but he has done work equally great, he has made his community a better place to live in, and, above all, a better place to go to school in. He has raised the standards of its teaching unmeasurably by his influence upon the work of his pupils; and has by his precept and example instilled efficiency and inspiration into many a school-room in a way that printed books on pedagogic methods can never hope to do. Charles Rudy, once a teacher in Schnecksville, as the head of a great private school in Paris, the International Institute, brought fame to the Pennsylvania German village which had been his home, but Joseph P. Deibert is to-day revered by his community as Schnecksville's greatest school-master.

In David Grayson's masterly "Adventures in

Contentment" probably the finest character is John North, the country doctor. After his death David Grayson sums up the doctor's lifetime of service in the simple phrase "He left his mark upon these hills." The whole countryside was better and happier for his presence and such inevitably is the highest service of a John North or a Joseph P. Deibert.

Here is a type of the true elder race,  
And one of Plutarch's men stands—

With us, face to face.

#### DELONG FAMILY.

One of the most interesting strains among the Palatinate emigration to the new world, and especially to eastern Pennsylvania, is that of the Huguenots. These French Protestants (Reformed) after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, fled to Switzerland, to the Palatinate and to Holland, whence many of them finally came to Pennsylvania, and quite a few settled in Lehigh county. Dr. W. H. Egle says of them: "The Huguenot emigrants as a class have furnished a larger number of men of eminence in proportion to their number, than any other nationality. So strongly marked were their characteristics that neither time nor amalgamation with other races has as yet extinguished the traces of their high moral sentiments and love of liberty from the character of their descendants. This character is still a dominant force in our national life. In the fire of the pulpit, in the eloquence of the legislature hall, in the various fields of learning and research, the Huguenot spirit still leads the van." Among the many Huguenot families of eastern Pennsylvania the DeLong and allied families stand out prominently. The exact date of their arrival is uncertain. According to the New England Genealogical Register, there lived in Ulster county, New York, in 1711, a certain Francis DeLong, the father of four sons. He is said to have been a native of Ulster county.

Peter DeLong, the ancestor of the DeLong's of Berks county, migrated from Ulster county, New York, to Pennsylvania, and settled in Maxatawny township, Berks county (then Philadelphia county), in 1738. A patent for 186 acres was granted to him June 27, 1738. He was married in 1722 to Eva Elisabeth Weber, a daughter of Jacob and his wife, Anna Elisabeth Weber. Mr. Weber was a member of the famous Rev. Joshua Kocerthal Colony, which settled in Dutchess county, New York, in the spring of 1709. In a record of the colony made April 20, 1710, we find the following mention of him and his family: "Jacob Weber, aged 30, husbandman and wine-dresser; his wife Anna Elisabeth, 25, their children Anna Maria, 5; and Eva Elisa-



beth, 1." On the early record of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church of West Camp, New York, we find the following entries: "In the year 1708 on board the ship, the *Globe*, the following were baptized by me: 'September 14, Johann Hermann, son of Jacob and Anna Elisabeth Weber, sponsors: Hermannus Schunemann the clerk and Johann Roth the constable on board the ship; April 19, 1710, baptized by Rev. Justus Falckner (in the absence of Rev. Kocherthal) Johannes, child of Jacob and Elisabeth Weber, sponsors Michael Weigand and wife Anna Catharine.'" In 1719, there was patented, on the west side of the Hudson river, above the highlands of Ulster, near the place called Quassaick, lot No. 7, containing two hundred acres, to Jacob Weber and Anna Elisabeth, his wife, Eve Maria, and Eva Elisabeth, their two daughters, that is to say to each of them fifty acres." Mr. Weber was one of the trustees of the Lutheran congregation at Newburg. He is said to have removed to New Holland, Lancaster county, in 1736.

The land selected by Peter DeLong was a level tract of land, well timbered, a few acres of the original forest are still standing, and well watered, is rich and productive. He, the pioneer, toiled and struggled clearing the land and building a house and rearing a God-fearing family. Near the close of his life, Oct. 8, 1759, this pious Reformed Huguenot gave two acres of land for an "Evangelical Reformed Church and school house, not only for a short period, but as long as the sun and moon shall shine in the heavens and the rivers run down to the sea." It is therefore, not without reason that from the loins of this plain but God-fearing settler have sprung a long list of staunch Protestant heralds of the cross. He died about 1760 and his remains and that of his wife no doubt repose in the cemetery of the church of which he is regarded as the founder.

From the different records of will, church books, tombstone inscriptions, family Bibles, and baptismal certificates, the following genealogical table has been constructed: Peter DeLong, and his wife, Eva Elisabeth Weber DeLong, had the following children: 1. John. 2. Henry, born 1733, had fourteen children, five sons and nine daughters: Henry, Peter, John, Andrew, David, Catharine (Gressly), Elisabeth (Wassum), Sarah, Magdalena, Susannah, Maria, Elizabeth (Pick), and Catharine. Of these Peter settled at Shepherdstown, West Virginia, at the time of the American Revolution; descendants of the branch live at Topton, in the persons of Tilghman DeLong, and near Shenandoah, Henry DeLong. 3. Jacob, who sold his farm to Henry in 1769, was living in 1778, when his brother

Abraham died, and is mentioned as a beneficiary in Abraham's will. 4. Michael (1739-1819) had a family of twelve children, eight sons and four daughters: Gideon, Abraham, Michael, Isaac, David, Daniel, Polly, Gronan, Susan, Mrs. Repert, Mrs. Rauzahn. He owned that portion of homestead where Bower's Station is situated. David had twelve children: five sons and seven daughters: David, Samuel, Ephraim, Joel, Alvin, Caroline (Roth), Catharine (Croll), Esther (Ahn), Helena (Siegfried), Judith (Fegely), Sarah (Hensinger), Susan (1. Hellick, 2. Brandt). 5. Abraham married \_\_\_\_\_, died before he was 35 years old, in 1778, leaving widow, no children. He left a considerable estate and bequeathed moneys to each of a number of nieces and nephews with express provision same to be expended on their education so they might learn to read the Holy Bible. His home was the present Grimm farm, north of Bower's, part of original DeLong tract. 6. Barbara, married, of her little is known. 7. Frederick, settled in Brunswick, now Schuylkill county, Pa. On Oct. 20, 1801, bought by patent 140 acres located here. Oct. 3, 1809, sold his land to his son Peter for 100 pounds in cash and support of self and wife during life. Descendants settled in Ohio.

John DeLong, son of Peter, was born in Ulster county, New York, March 27, 1723, and removed with his parents to Maxatawny. On April 4, 1749, he was married to Maria Catharine Dussinger. She was born in Nassau, Germany. He lived on a part of the old homestead now owned by James DeLong. On the fly-leaf of the old German Bible still in use in DeLong's Reformed church at Bower's Station appears his name under the date of Nov. 27, 1767, as the purchaser of the same on behalf of the congregation and his name also heads the subscription list, subscribing 5 shillings. During the Revolutionary War he espoused the cause of freedom and on May 25, 1777, appeared before esquire Samuel Ely and swore allegiance to the new government. He died Nov. 22, 1813, and was buried on the congregational cemetery at DeLong's church, where also the ashes of his wife and many of his descendants repose. To him and his good wife were born five sons and four daughters: Johannes, born Feb. 5, 1755; John Nicolaus, born July 19, 1756; Anna Maria (Neiss), born Aug. 15, 1757; Anna Margretha (Guth), born Aug. 18, 1759; Joseph, born March 18, 1764; Peter, born May 8, 1766; Moses, born Feb. 19, 1768; Eva Elisabeth (Neiss), born Feb. 28, 1770; Catharine (Leindeker), born Jan. 23, 1772. Captain DeLong, of the ill-fated Jeanette polar expedition was of this line.

Moses DeLong, son of Johannes, resided on

that part of the old homestead was known as the Grim farm. He was anxious to have his children learn English. He erected a log school house on his premises and employed an English teacher. To this school came pupils for miles to learn English, it being the only English school in that section of the country. This building has long disappeared but the public school district is still known as DeLong's district. He was the father of seven children, of whom Joseph, Levi, and Lydia, went to New York; Jonathan, to Massachusetts; Abraham to Illinois; and Catharine and Margaret lived in Allentown. Of the above, Joseph still survives, residing in Brooklyn, N. Y. Recently he celebrated the hundredth anniversary of his birth.

Joseph DeLong, son of John and grandson of Peter, was twice married, the first time to Susanna Weber, of Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, by the Rev. John Henry Helfrich, May 17, 1795. She was born Sept. 4, 1775, and died Aug. 26, 1808. She was survived by: Joseph, who was married to Anna Wetzel, and had two daughters, Carolina Heston and Harriet Hummel; Elizabeth, married to Daniel DeLong; and Jacob. On May 16, 1809, he was married to Susanna Butz (See Butz Family). They had issue: Catharine (Nov. 28, 1812-June 16, 1886), married to Peter Hensinger; Francis; and Jane, married to Reuben Miller.

Jacob DeLong, son of Joseph and grandson of John, and great-grandson of Peter, was born on the old homestead March 27, 1803, and was married, May 1, 1836, to Sarah Schaeffer, a daughter of Philip Schaeffer, of Richmond township, Berks county. He was a life-long farmer and resided near Tipton, Pa. He was accidentally killed while hauling lumber from Allentown for the erection of a horse-power shed, Oct. 23, 1851. Mrs. DeLong survived her husband many years, living to be 92 years, 8 months and 18 days. Their ashes repose on the family plot at the DeLong's Reformed church, of which they were faithful members. Their union was blessed with four children: Joseph; Alfred; Philip; and Elizabeth, married to the late Daniel Merkel, of Fleetwood.

Joseph DeLong, son of Jacob, was born near Tipton, Feb. 11, 1837. At his baptism the grandfather, Joseph DeLong, was god-father. When the officiating minister inquired as to the name to be given to the child, instead of giving the name which the parents had selected he gave his own and the pastor, before the parents could interfere, baptized him Joseph. He was educated in the public schools and reared on the farm. On Dec. 25, 1861, he was married to Mary H. Yoder, a daughter of Martin and Catharine (Hoch)

Yoder, and a granddaughter of Martin and Susanna (Peter) Yoder, of Oley township, Berks county, Pa. This union was blessed with seven children, of whom Katie, Sallie and Harvey J. died in childhood, and S. Mollie, who was married to Marion Hertzog, was fatally injured in an explosion in Berwin garage at Allentown. Those still living are Calvin M. DeLong, pastor of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, East Greenville, Pa.; Elizabeth A., married to Rev. John Baer Stoudt, pastor of Grace Reformed church, Northampton; and Frederick H., who possesses the old homestead and resides with his mother at Tipton. Joseph S. DeLong died Feb. 25, 1896, and his remains were buried on the family plot at DeLong Reformed church, Bower's, Pa.

Francis DeLong (Feb. 20, 1815-Nov. 1, 1880) son of Joseph and Susanna (Butz) DeLong, was born and reared and lived on the old homestead near Bower's, Pa. He attended public school and was confirmed as a member of DeLong's Reformed congregation of which he and his good wife were faithful members and where their ashes repose. To him and his wife, Esther Schaeffer (Jan. 8, 1816-Nov. 20, 1893), a daughter of Philip Schaeffer and a sister to Sarah, the wife of Jacob DeLong, his brother, to whom he was married in 1837, were born seven children: Joseph; Rev. John F.; James; Winfield; Susan, married to Isaac Kutz; Maria, married to Rev. D. K. Humbert; and Hettie. "They were God-fearing parents and brought up their children strictly not only according to our Christian faith in general but strictly also according to the faith and customs of the Reformed Church. It was a rule of his house that not only the children but also the hired help as well had to go to the house of worship on Sunday. Apparently he believed with Joshua of old, that what ever authority came to him as the head of a household should be used by him to its fullest extent in the service of God."

REV. JOHN F. DELONG, D.D., was born on the old homestead near Bower's Station, Nov. 8, 1847, and was reared on the farm. He attended, in addition to the local school, Wyoming Seminary, Kingston, New York, and the Keystone Normal School at Kutztown, and in the fall of 1868 entered the sophomore class at Franklin and Marshall College from which he was graduated in the spring of 1871 with highest honors. In the fall of the same year he entered the Theological seminary at Lancaster, Pa., from which he was graduated in the spring of 1874. In June of the same year he took charge of Emanuel's Reformed congregation in Williamsport, Pa., and continued as its pastor until December, 1879, when he accepted a call from the Bellefonte charge, which



he served until May, 1886. During his pastorate there, both the parsonage and the church were rebuilt. From 1886 to 1891 he served the First Reformed church at Lewisburg, Pa., and from 1891 to 1905 the Reformed congregation of Freemansburg, Pa. In connection with the latter congregation he also served the Rittersville Reformed congregation from 1891 to 1900 and the newly organized congregation of West Bethlehem. In the summer of 1905 he resigned his charge and retired from the active ministry. Rev. DeLong is a careful student, clear thinker and earnest preacher. He stands high in the council of his church and in classical and synodical gatherings his advice is frequently sought. He is one of the leaders of thought in his church, especially in the line of liturgics, of which he is a master. In recognition of his ability, scholarship and character, his alma mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. He served as a member of the board of trustees of the Allentown College for Women from the time the college passed under the control of Eastern Synod until the fall of 1912, when he resigned on account of failing health.

Rev. DeLong is married to Amanda Laubach, a daughter of Samuel Laubach (See Laubach Family). This union is blessed with four daughters: Lucy; Helen, married to Rev. Paul S. Leinbach, of New York City; Miriam; and Dorothy. The family resides in their beautiful home on Broad street, West Bethlehem, and are happy in their large circle of acquaintances and friends.

Joseph DeLong, son of Francis and Esther (Schaeffer) DeLong, was born in Siegfried's Dale, Maxatawny township, Berks county, Pa. In choosing his life's work, he followed the example of his father and grandfather, namely the agricultural pursuit, which he followed for a period of twelve years in his native place, after which he moved to Bower's. He was a member of the school board for a number of years. He and family are members of the Reformed church at Bower's, which he served faithfully as deacon and elder. He was married to Catharine Siegfried, with whom he had the following children: John F., a farmer residing on the old homestead; Hattie H., married to James McKeever; Joseph, died in infancy; and Dr. George J.

DR. GEORGE J. DELONG, son of Joseph and Catharine (Siegfried) DeLong, was born at Siegfried's Dale, Oct. 8, 1876. He was educated in the public school of his native place, the Keystone Normal School and graduated from Philadelphia Dental College in 1897. After graduation he located at 16 North Seventh street, Allentown, where he has built up a fine practice.

He is a member of Salem's Reformed church, which he has served as deacon. He is a member of the following dental associations: Lehigh Valley, Susquehanna, Penn State, and National Dental Associations. He belongs to the following fraternal organizations: Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., of Allentown; Allen Chapter, 203; Allen Commandery, No. 23, all of Allentown; Rajah Shrine, of Reading; and K. of G. E., No. 258. Dr. DeLong was married to Cora V. Bernd, daughter of Henry and Clara (Leibensperger) Bernd, now of Danbury, Conn., formerly from Allentown. This union was blessed with two children: Arline G. and Christine L.

OLIVER DELONG is a son of David DeLong, who lived and died in Heidelberg township, where he followed the occupation of farming. The old homestead is now in the possession of his son, Frank. In politics he was a Republican. His remains lie buried at the Heidelberg church, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation, in which he held various offices of honor and trust. To him and his wife, Marietta Reber, were born eight children, all of whom are still living. They are: Griffith, James, Oliver, Henry, Frank, Alice, Louisa, and Valeria.

Oliver was born in Heidelberg township, Nov. 20, 1857. He was reared on the farm and educated in the public schools. In 1883 he began to operate his father-in-law's farm in Washington township, and has continued up to the present time. Through inheritance his wife, Flora A. Blose, became the owner of it. The farm originally comprised forty-two acres to which Mr. DeLong has added a neighboring tract of thirty acres. On this adjoining tract stands an old stone house, which during the building of the Berks & Lehigh Railroad was used as a hotel. He also owns another adjoining farm of sixty-five acres, which is cultivated by his son, David S. In politics he is a Republican. He and his family are members of the Heidelberg Reformed congregation, in which he has served as a deacon and where for many years he is a member of the choir. He was married in 1882. This union is blessed with twelve children: David, Elinora, Katie, Minnie, Emma, Ellen, Louisa, Lillie, Irene, Frank O., Clara, Edna. Of these, Elinora and Emma have died.

JOHN E. DELONG, clerk at Ironton, is a grandson of Joel DeLong. His father, David J. DeLong, was born Sept. 17, 1862. As a young man his father worked in the mines in North Whitehall township and later was employed by Paul Balliet, at Ballietsville, having charge of his horses and cattle. Since 1894 he is employed as a teamster by Hon. O. E. Leh, at Egypt, during all this time he resides near Ballietsville. He is a

member of the Unionville Reformed congregation, in which he serves as deacon. On Sept. 13, 1890, he was married to Ella J. Troxell, a daughter of James and Elemina (Koch) Troxell. To them were born four children: John E., Samuel, Harvey, and Maggie.

John E. DeLong was born in North Whitehall township, March 19, 1892. He obtained a fair education in the splendid schools of his native township. Since 1910 he is engaged as clerk in the general store at Ironton. He is a young man of ability and promise. He enjoys membership in Lodge Knights of Slatington, and the Camp of P. O. S. of A., located at Egypt.

Joseph DeLong, son of Paul and the father of Prof. Edgar DeLong, was born in Upper Milford township. He was a millwright by trade, which he followed for many years, working chiefly in Lower Lehigh and Upper Bucks counties. About the year 1877 he engaged in farming near Trumbauersville, Bucks county. He retired from active life in 1892 and died Dec. 5, 1895. To him and his wife, Elizabeth Kline, a daughter of Joseph and Catharine (Harring) Kline, of Bucks county, were born seven children: Harvey; Hiram; Katie, married to Alfred Koch; Franklin; William; Edgar; and Howard. Of these, Harvey, Hiram and Howard reside at Allentown. Franklin died aged 26 years and William was accidentally killed on the railroad in 1911. Mr. DeLong was a faithful member of the Reformed Church, serving at various times as deacon, elder and trustee.

PROF. EDGAR DELONG, musical director at the Ebenezer church, New Tripoli, was born at Trumbauersville, Bucks county, April 26, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of his native township and at the American Business College, Allentown. In early youth he indicated a special aptitude for music. In 1899 he studied privately under the famous musician, W. S. Benedict, of Philadelphia. In 1905, he was elected the organist at Grace Lutheran church, South Allentown. After serving for a period of two and one-half years, he was elected to a similar position in the Trumbauersville congregation, a congregation numbering more than six hundred. On Christmas Day, 1909, he was unanimously elected organist of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, a congregation numbering more than eight hundred. The choir at Ebenezer is exceptionally well trained. He conducts large classes in music. His private pupils often exceed sixty in number. He is Lutheran in faith. Socially he enjoys fellowship in Livingston Castle, K. of F., and Camp No. 596, P. O. S. of A., of Trumbauersville. He was married Dec. 22, 1906, to Estella Eisen-

hart, a daughter of Charles and Emma (Krum) Eisenhart.

BENJAMIN L. DELONG, a son of Benjamin and Carolina (Wetzell) DeLong, was born in Lower Milford township. He was raised on the farm and attended the common schools. He learned the carpentering trade and followed it for nine years. On June 22, 1895, he married Katie L. Dorney, a daughter of Henry W. and Ella (Fegely) Dorney, and they have one child, Carrie M., who resides at home. In 1907, Mr. DeLong engaged in farming and in 1911 took possession of the Dorney farm of 96 acres at Dorneysville, and is an up-to-date and prosperous farmer.

Abraham DeLong, who settled in the upper part of Lehigh county, is supposed to have been related to Peter and may have been a brother. He died in 1756, leaving a widow and nine children and a tract of two hundred acres. Among his children were three sons: Mathias, Lucas, and Edward. John DeLong, apparently of this family, rendered valiant service in the cause of Independence, both in the field and on the frontier, guarding against Indian attacks. In 1792 he was employed by Henry Drinker to cut a road from the settlements into wilds which he had purchased from the state. This tract of 25,000 acres consisted of the unsettled land on the head-waters of the Lehigh river and DeLong's creek, and comprised parts of Wayne, Pike, Monroe, and Lackawanna counties. This road passed the romantic Lake Henry, and ended in a branch on the Lehigh, known as Bell Meadow brook.

#### DENGLER FAMILY.

In the year 1737 Jacob Dengler emigrated to America, coming from Germany, probably from Wittenberg. His brother, Andreas, who soon followed, died in America, unmarried. Jacob Dengler settled near Amityville, Berks county, and there built a forge and manufactured various iron implements. His remains are buried at the Swamp church.

Henry Dengler, the progenitor of the Denglers in Oley township, Berks county, a grandson of Jacob, was born Oct. 3, 1792, in Amity township. He married Sarah Guldin, a lineal descendant of the Rev. Samuel Guldin, who emigrated to this country from Switzerland in 1710, and was the first Reformed minister in Pennsylvania. Henry Dengler moved from Amity to Friedensburg, now Oley, in 1829, and engaged in a mercantile business, in which he continued until near the close of his life. He was very active in public affairs, and took a deep interest in church matters, being one of the chief promoters of the build-



ing of the First Reformed church at Friedensburg, Berks county, in 1830, donating the land and contributing liberally otherwise. For many years he served as an officer of the Reformed Church. His death occurred March 19, 1860, when he was sixty-seven years, five months and sixteen days old. His wife, Sarah, died Oct. 30, 1883, aged seventy-six years, seven months and twenty-five days. Their children were: Henry G., deceased; John G.; James G.; Harriet, married to John C. Nipe, and lives in Philadelphia; George, lives in Clarion county; Washington, who enlisted at the age of eighteen, served for two years in the Civil War, was captured July 24, 1863, and kept a prisoner in Richmond until March 23, 1864, when he was taken to Andersonville, South Carolina, and there died of starvation, May 6, 1864; Jacob, married to Sarah N. Diehl, died in February, 1905, aged seventy-one years; Mary Ann, married to Isaac Vansickle; William G.; Susanna G.; Daniel G.; and Louisa G.; who have all departed this life.

The Rev. Dr. James G. Dengler, youngest son of Henry, has been in the ministry of the Reformed Church since June, 1874. He is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, and of the Theological Seminary located there. For nearly a quarter of a century he served one charge in Sellersville, Bucks county, Pa.; other charges served by him were Maytown, Lancaster county, Pa., and Weissport, Carbon county, Pa. Dr. Dengler has been a frequent contributor to various publications, both religious and secular, and is a scholarly man of marked attainments. As a religious leader he has few equals in devoted piety and earnestness, of both life and teachings.

John G. Dengler, the revered veteran school teacher of Berks county, is a resident of Friedensburg, Oley township, where he was born Oct. 29, 1837. His education was obtained in the Oley Academy under Prof. Jacob H. Major, and the Freeland Seminary under Prof. Hunsicker. He was licensed to teach in the public schools under the first county superintendent of Berks county, Rev. William A. Good, in 1857, and taught the first term in Oley township, in school house No. 1. Prof. Dengler has since been teaching every successive school term (except during his army service), and also conducted select schools each spring term. He has instructed thousands of boys and girls of Berks county, forming their characters through his excellent example, as he shaped their minds with his wise precepts, and he is held in highest respect by the entire county. He is now teaching the grandchildren of his first pupils. Prof. Dengler possesses a kind and benevolent disposition, which is shown in his intelligent

face, and is loved for his many excellent traits and lofty ideals of life.

During the many years that he has labored in Berks county he has witnessed many changes, especially in the public school system. His first salary was twenty-two dollars per month of twenty-two days. Not only has he instructed the children under him the text of their books, but gave them the benefit of his wide experience, varied reading and exhaustive studies, and never failed to hold up the highest possible standards before their young eyes.

On April 18, 1861, Mr. Dengler, filled with patriotism, enlisted in Co. C, 7th Pa. V. I., at Harrisburg, and was in active service at Martinsburg, Va. His first enlistment was for but three months; however, on Oct. 30, 1861, he re-enlisted at Reading, for three years, in Battery M, U. S. A., Capt. James McKnight commanding, and saw some very hard service, passing through the entire Peninsular campaign, and participating in the battles of the Wilderness. When he was mustered out, Oct. 30, 1864, at Staten Island, N. Y., he was in the Sixth Army Corps.

Having thus devoted over three years of his life to his country, Prof. Dengler came back to Reading, where he arrived after midnight on Oct. 31, 1864; so anxious was he to see his dear ones that he walked to Friedensburg, a distance of twelve miles. The following day he engaged to teach the school he had left three and one-half years before, at the call of duty, and accepted the position at the earnest solicitation of the patrons, who were anxious to secure his distinguished services. Prof. Dengler has also been active in church work, ever since young manhood, and is a member of Friedens Reformed church, of which he has been an elder and trustee. He is a trustee of the Friedens cemetery company; a trustee of the Oley Academy, founded in 1857, holding this office since 1875. Since his youth Prof. Dengler has been a faithful teacher in the Sunday school.

He is a member of Minnehaha Lodge, No. 154, K. of P., at Oley; also Jr. O. U. A. M. Council, No. 23, of the same place. In addition to all his other duties Prof. Dengler is the correspondent to all the Reading daily papers at Friedensburg.

In 1907, at the Berks County Teachers Institute, an hour was set apart in recognition of Prof. Dengler's long and faithful services as a public instructor at which time he was presented with a silver loving cup, fifty dollars in gold, and seventy carnations, the last named representing the number of years he had lived. Those having the program in charge very fittingly selected his birthday for the presentation day, and the speech which accompanied the gifts, as well as his reply, will never be forgotten by those present.

Prof. Dengler has been twice married. His first wife to whom he was married in January, 1860, was Catharine Schlotman, daughter of John and Lydia (Shade) Schlotman. She was born in Oley, in 1839, and died May 5, 1875, aged thirty-five years, the mother of children, as follows: Annie, married Harvey Wismer, deceased, has four children, as follows: Carl, Millard, deceased, Frank, and Ralph, and lives at Philadelphia; Millie, married Benjamin Swavelly, deceased, has five children, as follows: Miriam, married to Edwin Deisher; Hattie, Grace, and two who died in infancy, and lives at Friedensburg; Lilla, deceased, married Milton A. Bieber, of Reading, had four children, as follows: Bertha, married to Leroy Smith; Ambrose, and two died in infancy; Calvin and Clara, who died in infancy; and Harvey S. Dengler, an enterprising insurance man of Allentown, was born Jan. 21, 1872, at Oley Friedensburg, Berks county, Pa.

In 1878 Prof. Dengler married his second wife, Kate L. (Ritter) Yoder, widow of Thomas Yoder, with whom he had three children: William, who has an R. F. D. mail route at Oley, is married to Ella Christman, and has ten children, as follows: Blanche, Harvey, John, Ella, William, Alton, Leroy, Earl, and two died in infancy; John was drowned when fourteen years old; Sallie, married to Alton Wiest, of Reading, the mother of two children, as follows: Ruth and Earl.

HARVEY S. DENGLER, the fifth child of John G. and Catherine S. Dengler, and subject of this sketch, received his education in the public schools, and Oley Academy, and later commenced teaching school at the age of seventeen, at Pricetown, for three years.

On April 29, 1892, Harvey S. Dengler engaged in the insurance business with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at Reading for three years, and from March 25, 1895, with the Baltimore Life Insurance Company, at Pottsville, for six years. On April 1, 1901, he came to Allentown, and located his office at 711 Hamilton street, where he is the superintendent of the Baltimore Life Insurance Company, which he represented during the past nineteen years.

Mr. Dengler is a member of Salem Evangelical church, Allentown, and superintendent of the Sunday school for the past ten years. He is also treasurer of the East Penna. Conference Branch of the Young People's Alliance, and one of the first eight lay delegates of the East Penna. Conference of the Evangelical Association; steward of the church, and member of the choir; a representative of the church to the organized Bible Class and Laymen's Missionary Movement; also member of the Young Men's Christian Association.

He is also a member of the following orders: Worshipful Master during the year 1915 Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M.; Allen Council, No. 23, R. & S. M.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Caldwell Consistory, S. P. R. S.; Ann Penn Allen Chapter, No. 145, O. E. S.

On Nov. 28, 1895, he married Anna Schultz, born at Reading, March 26, 1871, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Althouse) Schultz, and sister of Mrs. Rev. Simon Sipple, pastor of Zion's Reformed church of Allentown, and Mrs. Harry L. Mohr, of the Lehigh Valley Shoe & Rubber Company, of the same city. From this union two children were born: a daughter who died in infancy, and a son, John Samuel, born Nov. 9, 1909.

#### DENNIS FAMILY.

This family has been located in Berks county, Pennsylvania, long before the close of the eighteenth century. Anthony and John Dennis were heads of families in East District (now District) township, as recorded in the federal census in 1790. Anthony had one son less than sixteen years old.

William Dennis was born Jan. 1, 1800, in Longswamp township, which adjoined East District township, Berks county, and doubtless was a descendant of Anthony or John Dennis. He was reared upon a farm and educated in the common schools. He was a shoemaker. In politics he was a Democrat, and in religion, a Lutheran. He married Esther Eisenhart, born about 1807. Issue: Sarah, Tilghman, Eliza, William, Charles, Lewis and Fianna, now the only surviving member of the family. Charles, the third son of William Dennis, was born in Longswamp township. He was a miller. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. He was married to Elmira Coe. Their children were: William, Allan and Sarah.

William Dennis, son of Charles Dennis, was born in 1868 in Longswamp township. He was educated in the public schools. In his youth he assisted his father in his mill and later was a farmer in Upper Milford township until in 1911 he came to Allentown and is a valued employee of L. H. Yager & Co. In politics he is a Democrat and in religion a Lutheran. He is a member of Liberty Bell Circle Brotherhood of America. In 1891 he married Maggie Fegley, of Longswamp township. Issue: one son, Charles E., whose history follows.

CHARLES E. DENNIS, photographer at No. 213 North Twelfth street, Allentown, was born April 30, 1892; was educated in the public schools and the Emaus high school. He came







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J. George Henry



to Allentown in 1908 to become a salesman for J. M. and E. D. Cameron, piano dealers. The following year he accepted a similar position with H. S. Schultz and in 1911 he associated himself with Victor B. Boyer, a photographer whom he succeeded in the commercial end of the business in 1912. Mr. Dennis is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, K. of P., and the St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

#### D. GEORGE DERY.

D. George Dery, of Catasauqua, has been actively and prominently identified with the silk industry for many years, being at the present time (1914) the most extensive silk manufacturer in the United States, operating sixteen mills, employing about 3,000 hands, and having a business second to none in this country.

In 1886 he came to the United States, and at once assumed charge of a large silk mill at Paterson, New Jersey, which city is noted for its many silk manufacturing plants, and remained in the capacity of superintendent of the same mill until the year 1892, when he engaged in business on his own account, having accumulated sufficient capital from his earnings. He erected a silk mill in Paterson, which he operated until 1897, under the name of D. George Dery, and in that year moved his plant to Catasauqua, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where he established his home and which has since been the base of his operations. He erected his first plant in the Lehigh Valley at Catasauqua, which gives employment to three hundred and fifty operators, thus making it one of the principal industries of the "Iron City," adding to its growth and welfare. The Dery mill is of brick and well equipped with all the latest improved machinery for the purpose of manufacturing silk dress goods and staple silks. In 1900, he acquired the plant at East Mauch Chunk, Pa., which is on a more extensive scale, and gives employment to more than five hundred hands. Not being able to supply the demand from the two above mentioned plants, he erected another silk mill at Allentown, in 1902, where he gives employment to more than five hundred hands, and in the twelve intervening years has constantly added other mills, thus largely increasing his facilities for his constantly increasing business. All of the mills are substantial structures, well equipped for the successful conduct of silk manufacture, and are located as follows: Allentown, Mill A; Allentown, Mill B; Allentown, Mill C; South Bethlehem, Mill A; South Bethlehem, Mill B; East Mauch Chunk, Pa.; Northampton, Pa.; Catasauqua, Pa.; Emaus, Pa.; Wind Gap, Pa.; Kutztown, Pa.; Scranton, Pa.; Olyphant, Pa.; Taunton, Mass.; Forest City,

Pa.; Marietta, Pa. They add materially to the growth and welfare of the sections where they are located, and not only the Lehigh Valley, but other localities as well have been benefited by the energy, enterprise and progressive ideas of Mr. Dery, who is held in high honor by his subordinates and employees. Mr. Dery, in company with Senator A. G. DeWalt, developed an extensive plot of real estate in the vicinity of Muhlenberg College, Allentown, in 1913, which is now becoming the finest residential section of Allentown. In addition to this, Mr. Dery is the owner of several hundred acres of fine farm land in Northampton county, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Dery purchased a fine residence, No. 926 Hamilton street, Allentown, in 1912, which was formerly the residence of Colonel H. C. Trexler, being in his possession from 1889 to 1912, a period of almost a quarter of a century. Mr. Dery is a member of the Lehigh County Historical Society; the Livingston Club, of Allentown; the Hamilton Club, of Paterson, New Jersey; the Lehigh County Club; the Northampton County Club; the Bethlehem Club; the Manhattan Club, New York; and the Manufacturers' Club, of Philadelphia. He is public spirited and enterprising, a man of marked individuality of character, well informed on the current topics of the day, and his active career has been a power for good in the communities where he has resided. He is married and resides in a palatial residence at Catasauqua. Mr. Dery is a lover of the home and fireside and his community bears evidence that he is the happiest in the companionship of his estimable wife and children.

#### DESCH FAMILY.

Adam Desh came from Wurtemberg, Germany, and settled upon a large tract of land along the South mountain, about two miles south of the borough of Macungie. He obtained his land upon a patent on Sept. 23, 1788. He and his wife, Gertrude, had a family of six children: Jacob, Philip, Catharine (married to Melcher Baer), Elizabeth (married to John Stahl), Mary (married to Christian Remert), and Sallie (married to Frederick Ganmer).

Jacob, son of Adam, was married to Elizabeth Baner, who was born in 1769, died May, 1853. They were the parents of the following children: George, Daniel, John, Jacob, Charles, Maria and Catharine.

Jacob, son of Jacob was a stone mason and resided in Macungie. He was the father of the following children: Rev. William, Jacob, lived west of Macungie; Rev. Henry, Jonathan, a marble cutter; Elvina, married Daniel Butz;

Hattie, married Emanuel Gerhart; Sarah and Mary.

Rev. Henry Desch was born in Upper Milford in 1824. In 1854 he was selected by the German Baptist congregation as one of their pastors in Upper Milford and Macungie. He was married to Maria Ganmer. They were the parents of ten children: Wilson, Charles H., Ada, Alfred, Sophie, Morris, Annie and three children who died in infancy.

Charles H. Desch son of Rev. Henry, was born March 31, 1863. At the age of twenty years he learned the baking trade and followed it for five years. He is a member of Trinity Reformed Church, in Allentown. He holds membership in the I. O. O. F. and the K. of P. In politics Mr. Desch is a Democrat. He held the position of night sergeant under Mayor Harry G. Stiles and Clerk to the chief of police under Mayor C. W. Rinn. In 1887 he was married to Matilda, daughter of Captain Tilghman and Angeline Klechner. They have three children: Lillian L. C. Henry, Jr., and Paul T.

Rev. William Desch, a minister of the German Baptist Church, was born in 1816 and died in 1895. He preached at Macungie, Vera Cruz and Allentown. He was married to Angelina Keiser. This union was blessed with the following children: Emma, married to B. B. Yellis; George, was superintendent of schools in Allentown, and later at Bethlehem. He died Nov. 18, 1888; Alexander K., of Macungie; John, William K. and James K.

William K. Desch, son of Rev. William, was born in Upper Milford in 1851. He was educated in the public school of his native place and the Millersville Normal School. He taught in the public school of Lehigh county three terms, in Bucks county, one term, and in Schuylkill county, three terms. Since leaving the school room he has followed bookkeeping. Since 1898 he is with the Lehigh Valley Shoe Company, of Allentown. He and family are members of the Baptist Church, where he is a teacher in the Sunday school. In 1885 he was married to Margaret J. Bell, daughter of Maberry M. Bell, who was chief burgess of Pottsville, Pa.

Alexander K. Desch, son of Rev. William, was born in Upper Milford. He is a machinist and resides at Macungie. He was a member of the school board for a number of years. He and family are members of the Baptist Church, where he filled the office of superintendent of the Sunday school for a number of years. He was married to Sarah, a daughter of Aaron Erdman.

They have three children: Edmond E., Ira E., Walter A., and Claude E.

EDMUND E. DESH, son of Alexander K., was born June 4, 1872. He received his education in the public school and the Normal School at Kutztown. He learned telegraphy and was in the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company thirteen years. He was stationed at different places and resigned his position when he was agent at Temple, Pa.

He was in the newspaper business at Hazleton for several years and in 1906 he engaged in real estate and insurance business in Allentown, being located at 728 Hamilton street (second floor). In 1906 he was married to Isabella Becker, daughter of Simon Becker. They have no children.

William Desch was born in 1798 and followed farming in Upper Macungie. He was the father of the following children: Henry, Elizabeth, Samuel, Sallie, married to James Gackenbath; Jacob, Peter, Benjamin, William and James.

Samuel Desch was born in Upper Macungie Nov. 7, 1823. He was a blacksmith and followed the trade at Weissport, Laureys and Iron Bridge. In 1847 he was married to Maria Anna Leiser, who was born in 1825 and died in 1881. Their children are: Sarah, married to Jeremiah Henritzy; Anna Maria, married to Frank Haas, of Denver, Col.; Serena L. and Adamissa, married to Rev. H. A. Weller, of Orwigsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Sarah Desch Henritzy, of Allentown, is the owner of the grandfather clock, formerly owned by Adam Desch. It bears the date 1780 and initials A. D. The date and initials are inlaid in light colored wood on the outside case.

#### DESHLER FAMILY.

The name Deschler is of Swiss origin. The direct ancestor in America was Capt. David Deshler, who was aide-de-camp to Prince Lewis, of Baden, Germany, in the war of the Spanish Succession. He married, in 1711, Maria Wuster, born in 1690, daughter of Hans Casper Wuster, and Anna Catharine, his wife.

David Deshler, son of Capt. David Deshler and his wife, Maria Wuster, arrived at Philadelphia, on the ship Hope, on August 28, 1733. He entered the counting house of his uncle, John Wistar, and became a leading hardware and paint merchant. The Philadelphia Directory of 1767-1768, records the following: "David Deshler, Director Phila. Contribution, hardware, paints, etc. Opp. Butchers Shambles, Market St. Sign of Green Frying Pan."

David Deshler built the historic Morris Man-



sion,\* at Germantown, but died at his home on Market street on March 20, 1792, aged 81 years.

He married, March 20, 1738, Maria, daughter of Isaac and Catharine (Feree) Le Fevre. She was born Sept. 24, 1715, died on Feb. 25,

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\*This mansion, which is situated No. 5442 Germantown avenue, Philadelphia, was built in the years 1772-3-4 by David Deshler, a merchant of Philadelphia, who was so noted for his integrity that his name passed into a proverb—"as honest as David Deshler." The late David Lewis, a short time before his death, handed to Mr. Elliston P. Morris, the present owner (1898) of the mansion, a package of papers in the German language containing memoranda made by David Deshler, his grandfather. Upon deciphering and translating them, Mr. Morris found that one referred to the building of this mansion, giving the description and cost of material and labor for its erection, between the years 1772-1774.

At the time of the Battle of Germantown in 1777, Sir William Howe removed his headquarters to this house, the tradition says, that Prince William (afterwards William IV), paid him a visit there.

David Deshler continued to live in this house during the summer season, until his death in 1792. It was then sold to Col. Isaac Franks, of the Revolutionary army, who lived there until 1802. But in the year 1793, when yellow fever was raging in Philadelphia, this house was selected as a temporary residence for Gen. Washington, and Col. Franks acceded to the request to rent it to the President. General Washington, writing to Burgess Ball from Germantown, under date of Nov. 24, 1793, makes a reference to this house:

"The malady with which Philadelphia has been sorely afflicted, has, it is said, entirely ceased, and all the citizens are returning to their old habitations again. I took a house in this town when I first arrived here, and shall retain it until Congress get themselves fixed; although I spent part of my time in the city."

In 1802, the house was purchased by the brothers Elliston and John Perot, gentlemen of Huguenot extraction, and they used it as a summer residence. On the death of Elliston Perot in 1834, it became a part of his estate, in the settlement of the joint estate of the two brothers. His only daughter, Hannah, had married Samuel B. Morris, of the old shipping firm of Waln & Morris, and Mrs. S. B. Morris purchased the house in 1836, from his brother-in-law, Francis Perot. Mr. Morris lived in it until his death in 1859, leaving it by his will, to his son, Elliston Perot Morris, who now resides there.

The Germantown Morris House is built in the colonial style, having a frontage of forty feet, which, tradition says, would have been wider, but for a noble plum tree on the south side, which David Deshler, the owner of the property, was averse to removing. The main body of the building is about forty feet in depth, with back buildings, extending into the large beautiful garden, which, commencing alongside and running southward, presents a width of one hundred feet, and extends westward 435 feet. In it may be seen some magnificent trees, and box bushes more than a century old. [Recorded in History Morris Family, Philadelphia, Vol. II, pp. 679, 680.]

1774. They were the parents of six children, namely:

Isaac, who died Sept. 18, 1749.

Samuel, who died Aug. 17, 1751.

Sarah, who died Oct. 11, 1757.

Mary, married to Ellis Lewis.

Esther, married to John Morton.

Catharine, married to Robert Roberts.

The first three of the above named children died unmarried. The three sons-in-law were merchants in Philadelphia. This family were members of the Friends Meeting House on Race street, Philadelphia. The archives of this Meeting House record the marriages of their three daughters, the death of the three above-named children, and the death of their noble parents.

The family were of the nobility in Germany, and at least three branches were honored with escutcheons.

Anthony Deshler, a brother of David, married Mary Elizabeth Bense, and had two sons and three daughters.

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Adam Deshler, another son of Capt. David, was one of the first to settle in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, being one of its pioneer settlers. Alfred F. Berlin, the noted historian and archæologist, in an article read before the Lehigh County Historical Society, quotes the following:

"An original warrant now in possession of The Lehigh Portland Cement Company, gave by patent from James Hamilton, then Governor of Pennsylvania, per John and Richard Penn, the proprietaries, to Adam Deshler, dated May 5, 1751 (Patent Book, Phila., Pa., A. Vol. 15, page 593), three tracts of land situate near the west branch of the Delaware river—the Lehigh River—on or near Indian Copelin's Creek, containing 301¾ acres. One of the boundaries contained in the description of one of the tracts containing 200 acres is the middle of Indian Copelin's Creek."

Adam Deshler was naturalized April 10, 1755. He was one of the most successful farmers in the township. From 1756 to 1758 he furnished provisions for the provincial troops in the French & Indian War. In the year 1760, Adam Deshler built a stone house,\* upon this tract, which is

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\**Deshler's Fort*, a relic of the times when Indians still frequented Lehigh county, stands on the north bank of Coplay creek, on a little eminence overlooking the meadows through which Coplay creek flows. It is a substantially built structure, forty feet long by thirty in width, two and a half stories high, with walls two feet thick, and heavy timbers supporting the interior. There were originally but a few small windows in the sides, each with four panes of glass, but more have since been added, and in the gable ends there were a row of loop-holes. A large hearth and chimney occupies the center of the house, and divides the lower and upper stories into

still standing and in a good state of preservation, still giving unmistakable evidence by its heavy walls of superior masonry construction, that it was built to serve other purposes than those of an ordinary farm home. Adjoining the stone building upon the north, was a large frame building in which twenty soldiers might be comfortably quartered, and a considerable quantity of military stores kept. During the Indian troubles this place was a kind of military post, furnished gratuitously by Adam Deshler, who was one of the most liberal and humane men in the region. He was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation, and is buried in the graveyard there. His last will and testament, dated Jan. 22, 1772, was probated Sept. 20, 1781. He bequeathed his property to his widow and six children, the oldest son, David, being appointed the executor of the will. The children of Adam and Appolonia Deshler follow:

Name.	Born.	Died.
I. Eva Catharine, ....	—, 1729	June 2, 1816
II. David, .....	—, 1734	Dec. 24, 1796
III. Peter, .....	Mar. 18, 1743	Sept. 28, 1800
IV. Adam, .....	Oct. 1, 1745	Feb. 24, 1790
V. Juliana, .....	May 7, 1746	Mar. 12, 1840
VI. Barbara, .....	Nov. 2, 1747	Oct. 10, 1832
VII. Catharine, .....	—, 1751	Feb. 11, 1825

I. Eva Catharine Deshler married Peter Burkholder, who was a prominent Revolutionary patriot. They had three children, namely: John Peter, married to Dorothea Steckel; Magdalena, to Lieut. Col. Stephen Balliet; and Barbara, wife of Henry Epply.

II. David Deshler, the oldest son of Adam and Appolonia Deshler, was born in 1734; was naturalized on April 10, 1761, and was a miller by trade. In 1767, he purchased from James Allen, a tract of land, the interesting deed for this property follows:

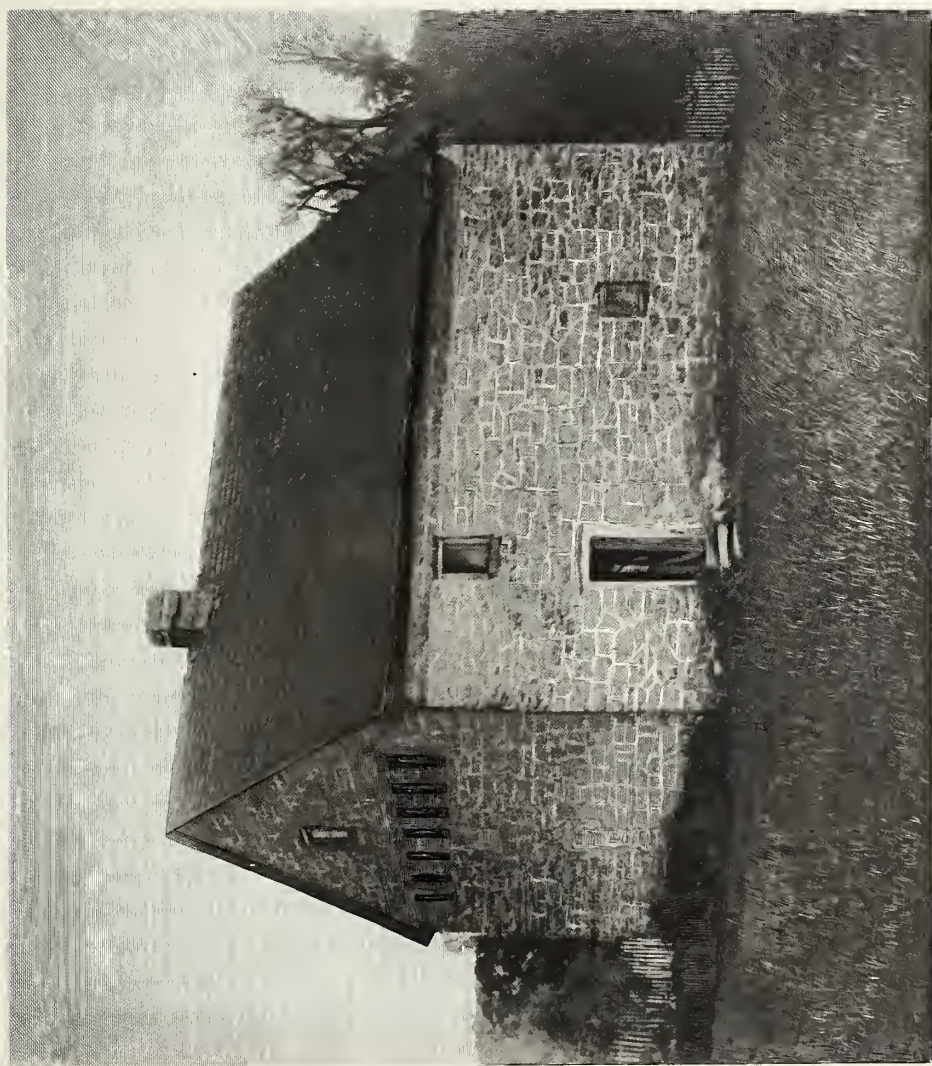
This Indenture made the twenty-fourth day of February, in the seventh year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord, George the Third, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King Defender of the Faith etc. in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven, between James Allen of the Town of Northampton in the County of Northampton, in the Province of Pennsylvania, Esquire, Of the one part and David Deshler of the said Town of Northampton, yeoman, of the other part, witnesseth: That the said James Allen for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania, unto him in hand well and truly paid by the said David Deshler, at and before the sealing and delivery here-

two apartments. In the mantlepiece above this can be seen the bullet-holes made by the Indians. Adjoining the house on the north, was a frame addition, which sheltered the soldiers quartered there at the time of the Indian troubles in 1763. The house was well prepared to withstand any attacks, as it was so strongly built, and furthermore it is said there was a well within the walls.

of of the receipt whereof the said James Allen doth hereby acknowledge and hereby acquit and forever discharge the said David Deshler his heirs and assigns by these presents hath granted bargained, sold, released and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell and release and confirm unto the said David Deshler, his heirs and assigns, the certain tract or piece of land situate in Salisbury township in the said County of Northampton, beginning at a white oak marked for a corner, upon the southern a bank of the Little Lehi creek, so called, thence extending by the said James Allen's other land to the three courses and distances next following; that is to say, south, six degrees, east sixty-nine perches, to a post, and north eighty-four degrees, east one hundred and twenty perches to a post, and north six degrees, west fifty-six perches to a post placed for a corner on the bank of the aforesaid creek, thence up the said creek to five courses and distances next following, viz: north seventy-two degrees, west twenty-four perches, south eighty-four degrees, west thirty-one perches, north eighty-two degrees, west sixteen perches, north sixty-one degrees, west twelve perches and a half, and south seventy-three degrees, west forty-two perches to a place of beginning. Containing by computation fifty acres and six perches or thereabouts, be the same more or less. Together with the free right, liberty and privilege to and for the said David Deshler his heirs and assigns, occupiers of a certain Grist Mill, intended to be erected and built upon the tract of land above described, to raise, make and forever hereafter support and maintain a dam or dams across the said creek for swelling the water thereof to such height as he or they shall see cause to divert and lead the same unto the mill race and for supplying the said intended mill or mills at all times, forever hereafter with a sufficient head of water so as he or they do likewise make and forever support proper sluices or flood gates in the same dams for discharging the superfluous water of the said creek, occasioned, by any inundations or freshets in the same and through which the fish at times may have a passage up the creek. And also (in as much as it will be necessary, the better to accommodate the said intended mill that the race be continued from the lowermost part of the tract of land hereby granted through a part of his the said James Allen's next adjacent land for the more easy conveyance and discharge of the water from the mill tail unto the said creek) the free right and privilege and for the said David Deshler, his heirs and assigns, occupiers of the said intended mill, at his and their pleasure, with or without workmen, horses, cattle and carriages, to enter upon his the said James Allen's adjacent land, to dig open, continue, and make such race through the same land of the sufficient breadth and depth for passing the water from the said mill race unto the rivulet or creek aforesaid, with a good and sufficient free bord on each side of the said race for passing in and along the same and scouring and keeping open the same at all times forever hereafter, so as the same be done with as little detriment to the said land and the corn and herbage thereon, growing as reasonably as may be, and so as he or they make good the breaches in any fence thereby occasioned, together, also, with all and singular the ways and woods, water, water courses, rights, liberties, unto the hereby granted premises belonging or in any wise appertaining, etc. (Recorded at Easton, Pa., in Deed Book B, Vol. 1, Page 181.)

"David Deshler during 1767 built upon the





*Deshler's Fort, Erected in 1760.  
Whitchell Township, Lehigh County, Pa.*





tract of land above described, a certain grist-mill," of which a cut appears in Vol. 1, page 398, of this history. He was one of the earliest settlers of what is now the city of Allentown, "where he is credited as having built the first house." He was assessed £9 in 1762, and in 1768 he was already taxed for a grist-mill, a saw-mill, and 75 acres of land, situated in Salisbury township.

On May 1, 1767, his father sold him two tracts of land containing 195 acres on Jordan creek, which had been purchased from Peter Troxell, Nov. 25, 1758. The language of the deed follows: "Adam Deshler, of Whitehall township, yeoman, and Appolonia, his wife, in consideration of their mutual love and affection for their son David, and for the better promotion and advancement in the world as well as the sum of £200 do grant to David Deshler, a massuage and two tracts of land in Whitehall township, on a branch of the Lehi, commonly called the Jordan." These tracts Deshler sold in 1773 to George Schweyer, who sold them in 1779 to Barbara Huber, and she sold them to Rev. Abraham Blumer, in 1785.

During the Revolution he was one of the most prominent patriots in Northampton county. He acted as commissary of supplies for the army, and with Capt. John Arndt, of Easton, also a commissary, advanced money to the Provincial government out of his private means in 1780, when the public treasury was empty, and that too, at a time when the prospect of it being returned was not very bright. They both labored with unflagging zeal to promote the welfare of the public cause, and to fill the quota of the county, as required by the Acts of Congress and the Provincial Assembly. The following letter taken from (*Penn. Archives 1779-1781*, page 517) is of interest here:

"David Deshler to Pres. Reed, 1780.

ALLENTOWN, 24th Aug., 1780.

Sir,

I have sent Mr. Charles Deshler, my assistant\*, who will call on you, for a supply of cash, and request you'll be pleas'd to send me fifty thousand pounds for the use of purchasing supplies for the army, without that article it is impossible for me to carry on the Business in the manner I could wish.

I can purchase one hundred head of cattle in one week's time, if I was supplied with money for that purpose.

I have the offer of five hundred Bushels of

Wheat from one person, but cannot have it for want of money.

"I am sir, Your Obt HumB St.  
DAVID DESHLER,  
Commisr for Northm County."

And further, an extract from the minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of Penn. (Col. Rec., Vol. XII, page 460.)

"PHILA., Sat., Aug. 26, 1780.

An order was drawn on the Treasurer in favour of Mr. Charles Deshler, for the sum of one thousand pounds, of the money emitted by an act of the General Assembly, passed the 25th day of March, last, to be by him paid to Colonel David Deshler, Commissioner of Purchases for the county of Northampton, for purchasing supplies for the use of the Army, to be charged to Colonel Jacob Morgan, Jr., Superintendent, &c., and deducted out of an order granted him on the 14th inst."

[The Charles Deshler here referred to, was a son-in-law of David Deshler.]

Colonel David Deshler was beyond doubt the most substantial resident of Northampton Town, in his time, and his influence helped very materially in the successful culmination of the War for Independence. In 1787, he was a delegate to the convention called to ratify the Federal Constitution. He was a man of great foresight and ability, and his character and reputation were beyond reproach. In 1782, he purchased from John Benezet, a merchant of Philadelphia, for £1,800 specie, the fine home and tract of 331 acres of land along the Lehigh (then in Allen, now Hanover township) which had been previously owned by George Taylor,\* who had built the house still standing on the tract in 1768, and which Mr. Taylor had sold to Mr. Benezet in 1776. Here he spent the latter part of his life, and died there on Dec. 24, 1796, aged 62 years. David and Susanna Deshler had ten children, as follows:

Name.	Born.	Died.
1. Catharine, .....	Oct. 10, 1761	Dec. 25, 1837
2. David, .....		
3. John Adam, .....	July 31, 1766	Oct. 14, 1820
4. Barbara, .....	Dec. 17, 1768	June 17, 1838
5. Peter, .....		April 26, 1772
6. George, .....		
7. Susanna, .....	April 21, 1773	m. Fred. Beissel
8. Mary Elizabeth, ....	Mar. 27, 1775	Dec. 17, 1840
9. Magdalena, .....	June 20, 1779	Dec. 17, 1840
10. Sarah, .....	Nov. 24, 1783	

1. Catharine Deshler, the oldest daughter of David and Susanna Deshler, on Jan. 27, 1778, married Charles Deshler, born in Philadelphia, on Tuesday, the tenth day of September, 1754.

\* A photograph of the George Teylor home, in which Adam Deshler lived for fourteen years, and in which he died, appears on page 603, in Vol. I, of this history.

He died Feb. 4, 1841, at Allentown, where he had been a store-keeper, and during the War of Independence, he served as quartermaster, also as the Assistant Commissioner of Purchases for Northampton county in 1780-81.

Charles and Catharine (Deshler) Deshler had the following children:

Name.	Born.	Died.
Twin Boys, .....	Nov. 17, 1779	
George, .....	Aug. 13, 1782	Oct. 26, 1789
Elizabeth, .....	Aug. 4, 1786	Jan. 2, 1789
Charles William, .....	Sept. 24, 1787	Oct. 4, 1787
Ann, .....	Mar. 23, 1791	m. Wm. Boas

2. David Deshler.

3. John Adam Deshler, born July 31, 1766, died Oct. 14, 1820. He married Deborah Wagner, born in 1764, died Oct. 11, 1826. He removed to Easton where he was a prominent business man. Their children were: Elizabeth, born Nov. 1, 1786, married Charles Horn; Mary, born Nov. 29, 1788, married Samuel Bittenbender; Catharine, born June 1, 1790, married James Hackett; David, born Jan. 15, 1792, who became the leading banker of Columbus, Ohio, and was the father of John G. Deshler, of Buffalo, N. Y.; George W., born Sept. 17, 1795, died May 25, 1857, at Easton. He married Catharine Lawson Dunham, and was the father of the late Charles D. Deshler, of New Brunswick, N. J.

Charles Dunham Deshler, son of George W. and Catharine Lawson (Dunham) Deshler, was born at Easton, March 1, 1819. He entered the drug business in New Brunswick, N. J., from which he retired in 1859, and engaged in literary work, first on the *Jersey City Standard*, and later on the *Newark Advertiser*. He returned to New Brunswick in 1868 and became connected with *Harper's Magazine*, having charge of the Editor's Round Table. He wrote and compiled "Chaucer, With Selections," and "Afternoons With the Poets." He was associate judge of Middlesex county, N. J., and the first school superintendent of that county and took a prominent part in organizing the county school system. He was postmaster of New Brunswick for one term and was instrumental in founding the Middlesex Gas Company and the Middlesex Savings Bank. He had a large and valuable library, principally historical in character. He died, May 10, 1909, aged 90 years. Mr. Deshler married Miss Mary Holcombe, who died in 1893. They had seven children: Kate, Mary, Edith, Edward B., James, Charles, and Frederick.

4. Barbara Deshler, born Dec. 17, 1768, died June 17, 1838. She married John Wagner, born in 1764, died Dec. 1, 1840, and had a son, John Wagner, who married Anna Keiper. Descendants of this family are Mrs. Franklin Good; her

daughter, Miss Hattie Wagner Good and D. F. Wagner, and the late Anna Wagner.

5. Peter Deshler, a child, who was killed by falling under the mill wheel, at Allentown, on April 26, 1772.

6. George Deshler, who married Susanna Dreisbach, and had children: George, born April 17, 1793, died June 23, 1793; David, born Oct. 17, 1797; and Mary.

7. Susanna Deshler, born April 21, 1773, married Frederick Beissel.

8. Mary Elizabeth Deshler, born March 27, 1775, died Dec. 17, 1840, married (first) Christian Mickley, born 1767, died 1812; and (second) in 1819, Paul Balliet (1766-1845.)

9. Magdalaena Deshler, born June 20, 1779.

10. Sarah Deshler, born Nov. 22, 1783.

III. Peter Deshler, second son of Adam, was born near Egypt, March 18, 1743, and baptized April 5, 1743. His sponsors were Peter Troxell, George Kern, Frederick Newhard, Salome Gut, and Susanna Rauch. He was a farmer in Whitehall township and later in life removed to Allen township, where he died, Sept. 28, 1800, and is buried at Shoenersville. He married, Oct. 29, 1765, Magdalena Mickley, born Aug. 31, 1746, died Feb. 3, 1833. She subsequently married Michael Bieber. Their children were:

1. John Peter Deshler, born April 3, 1767, died Oct. 6, 1854. He married, Oct. 16, 1790, Mary Magdalena Schreiber, born Jan. 29, 1767, died Jan. 11, 1831, and they had two sons and two daughters. Valentine Deshler, one of the sons, had daughters: Elizabeth and Salome.

2. Catharine Deshler, born March 14, 1769, died young.

3. David Deshler, born April 8, 1773, son of Peter, had a clover mill along the Little Lehigh and was called "Clover Seed David." He married Regina Bieber, born Dec. 9, 1779, and had eight children: Thomas, who married Matilda Eichman, of Easton; Charles; William, who died single; David, born June 17, 1797, who went West; Elizabeth, born 1802, died 1885, married John Gross; Sallie, married David Heimbach; Edward; and Stephen.

Charles Deshler, son of David and Regina, was born May 18, 1802. He lived some years in Hanover township, near the bridge, at Allentown, where he died, Sept. 2, 1831, and was buried at Shoenersville. He married, Aug. 26, 1819, Veronica Dorney, born Jan. 24, 1804, died July 11, 1873. They had four children: Charles, who resided in the northern part of the county; Tilghman, born Dec. 1, 1825, died May 4, 1908, who married Mary A. Romich; Sarah A., born



Sept. 27, 1828, died Nov. 4, 1904, married Solomon Kline; and Reuben.

Reuben Deshler was born Nov. 23, 1830, and died Sept. 26, 1905. He engaged in blacksmithing at Emaus in 1850, where he resided the greater part of his life and also conducted a small farm. He was a member of the Western Salisbury Reformed congregation, of which he was a deacon and elder. He married Henrietta C. Ritter, who was born Feb. 14, 1828, and died Feb. 26, 1878. He married, second, Mary A. Zellner, who was born July 7, 1839, and died May 28, 1890.

Reuben Deshler had five children: Charles D.; Henry D.; Edward, died in infancy; Emma D., wife of Phaon Kleckner; and Oliver R.

Charles D. Deshler, of Allentown, was born at Emaus, May 4, 1852. He began learning blacksmithing at the early age of 12 years, and later learned the trade of machinist. He plied his avocation at Emaus until 1878, when he came to Allentown and became a traveling salesman for a wholesale grain and feed firm for one year. He then became the proprietor of the hotel at Dillingersville, in 1884, and in 1885, of the hotel at Barto, Berks county, where he remained until 1887, when he returned to Allentown and again became a salesman. In 1889, he became proprietor of the hotel at Limeport for one year, and later conducted a hotel at Bingen for four years. In 1893, he again returned to Allentown, where he has remained, and conducts a blacksmith shop at Fountain and Court streets. He is a member of the Reformed Church.

Mr. Deshler married, in 1870, Annie M., daughter of Frederick and Sophia (Stengel) Edinger. She died in 1904, aged 52 years. They had five children: Sallie H., wife of A. H. Bowman, of Allentown; Emma D., wife of Arthur W. Young, both deceased; Edward R., of Roselle Park, N. J., who married, Feb. 29, 1896, Annie C., daughter of John Baker, who was born April 2, 1874, and died Jan. 19, 1903, leaving one son, Russell E.; Charles S., of Bethlehem, who married Gertrude Hay and has children: Paul, William, Charles, Ralph, Robert, Howard, and Warren; and Warren F., of Jersey City Heights, N. J., who married Mary White, and has one daughter, Beatrice.

Oliver R. Deshler, son of Reuben, was born at Emaus, May 26, 1861. He was engaged in the wholesale and retail furniture business at Belvidere, N. J., from 1891 to 1900, and in 1901 established his business at Bangor, where he employs a large number of men. He married, Nov. 12, 1881, Carrie A. Balliet, and had eight children: George O., Harry H., May K., deceased,

Edna N., Walter B., Ruth O., Dorothy A., and Beatrice E.

Edward Deshler, son of David and Regina, married, first, Eliza, daughter of William Stewart; and second, Mrs. Ellen Eckert, *nee* Wilson. He died in Allentown in 1889. He had four children: Dr. C. F., who died in 1884; William H.; James B., Esq.; and Jennie E.

William H. Deshler, Esq., was a student at Freeland Seminary, and Lafayette College, and was admitted to the bar in 1862.

4. Catharine Deshler, born April 19, 1775.

5. Susanna, born Jan. 13, 1778, died July 23, 1834. She married John Yundt.

6. Jacob Deshler, born March 30, 1781, married Elizabeth Hagenbach. He was a prominent resident of Northumberland county, near Milton, where he was a justice of the peace. His children were: Mary A., wife of Dr. Edward F. Martin, of Weaversville, born March 11, 1814, died Sept. 17, 1880; Dr. Edward Deshler, born April 7, 1826, died Sept. 27, 1890, at Weaversville. He lived at Aaronsburg, Pa., where he married, Sept. 22, 1853, Maria Jordan and had four children: Dr. J. Jordan Deshler, of Glidden, Iowa; Joseph and Elizabeth Deshler, who died in Northumberland county; and the wife of George Stahl.

7. Magdalena Deshler, born Oct. 5, 1784.

8. Sara Deshler, born Aug. 23, 1788, married Jacob Weaver.

IV. Adam Deshler, third son of Adam, Sr., was born in Whitehall township, Oct. 1, 1745. He became the owner of the old homestead, which he farmed and where he died while yet in the prime of life, Feb. 24, 1790. He served in the Revolution in Capt. Zerk's company from Whitehall. [*Penna. Archives, Fifth Series.*] He married, Nov. 7, 1769, Mary Catharine, daughter of Paul Balliet. She was born July 28, 1752, died Jan. 28, 1823. After his death, she married, Sept. 13, 1798, Christian Deily. At her decease, she left 30 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Adam Deshler, Jr., had eight children:

1. Mary Barbara, born in 1771.

2. David, born Sept. 17, 1773.

3. Mary Susanna, born Sept. 4, 1775, died young.

4. Magdalena, born Sept. 28, 1778, died Oct. 1, 1827; married Jacob Stein (1777-1842).

5. Maria Susanna, born May 7, 1781, died March 23, 1857; married Peter Schreiber.

6. Catharine, born July 29, 1783; married March 8, 1801, James Preston.

7. Salome, born May 8, 1786.

8. Elizabeth, born April 25, 1789, died Feb. 25, 1820; married John Peter Wotring.

David Deshler, grandson of the original Adam Deshler, and the only son of Adam Deshler, Jr., was born Sept. 17, 1773, died March 19, 1827. He farmed the homestead situated along Coplay creek; married, Oct. 18, 1795, Catharine Fogel, who was born May 27, 1777, died Aug. 15, 1842. They had three sons and three daughters, namely: 1. James. 2. David. 3. John. 4. Maria. 5. Deborah. 6. Catharine.

James Deshler, son of David, born Oct. 30, 1796, died Aug. 10, 1842; married March 28, 1819, Elizabeth, daughter of Peter and Diana (Van Buskirk) Grim, who died in 1871. They had six children, as follows: 1. Mary C., died had six children, as follows:

	<i>Born.</i>	<i>Died.</i>
1. Mary C., .....	Feb. 12, 1820	May 12, 1891
2. Jacob G., .....	Dec. 21, 1822	May 12, 1893
3. Caroline, .....	July 18, 1825	July 14, 1911
4. Elizabeth, .....	Apr. 29, 1832	Nov. 24, 1872
5. D. J. Franklin, .....	Aug. 24, 1834	Oct. 12, 1891
6. Peter W. H., .....	Jan. 16, 1838	Aug. 17, 1889

2. Jacob Grim Deshler, son of James and Elizabeth (Grim) Deshler, was born in Whitehall township, on the old homestead, Dec. 21, 1822. He farmed the land owned by the family and also operated a grist-mill, which his grandfather, Peter Grim, had purchased, now "Helfrich's Mill." In later years he removed to Allentown and resided in a home built by him on the northwest corner of Sixth and Oak streets. He married Sarah, daughter of John and Judith (Seem) Trumbauer. She was born Jan. 3, 1834, and died March 28, 1886. Mr. Deshler died May 12, 1893, and both, with their son, James, are buried in the old Egypt cemetery, where six generations of the family are buried. They had six children: Elizabeth; Mary; Sarah; James, who died in infancy; Emma; and Annie.

Elizabeth Deshler, daughter of Jacob G. and Sarah A. (Trumbauer) Deshler, married John J. Bahl, and they had three children: Philip D., who died in infancy; Charles P.; and Helen S., who died aged eight years.

Mary Deshler, married to Dr. Henry J. Woodhouse. They have a daughter, Elizabeth D., and a son, Edwin.

Sarah, the third daughter of Jacob G., married Christian S. Weiss, and has one daughter, Anna M.

Annie, the youngest daughter, married J. Walter Mackemer, and has children: Dorothy, Marian, Walter, Sumner D., and Marjorie.

3. Caroline A., second daughter of James and Elizabeth (Grim) Deshler, was married to J. Hiram Kaull, and had children: Mary; Alice; George, who died in infancy; James, who died in his youth; Martha; and Peter.

Mary Kaull married Ezekiel Thomas, and had three children: Caroline, Florence, who died in infancy, James, who died in his youth; Caroline, married Charles R. Smith and has one daughter, Helen T. Smith, who is married to Emlyn E. Jones. Peter G. is married to Elinor J. Job.

4. Elizabeth Ann, the youngest daughter of James and Elizabeth (Grim) Deshler, married Ephraim Mickley, and died without issue.

5. D. J. Frank, who died unmarried.

6. Peter W. H., who died unmarried.

#### DAVID DESHLER.

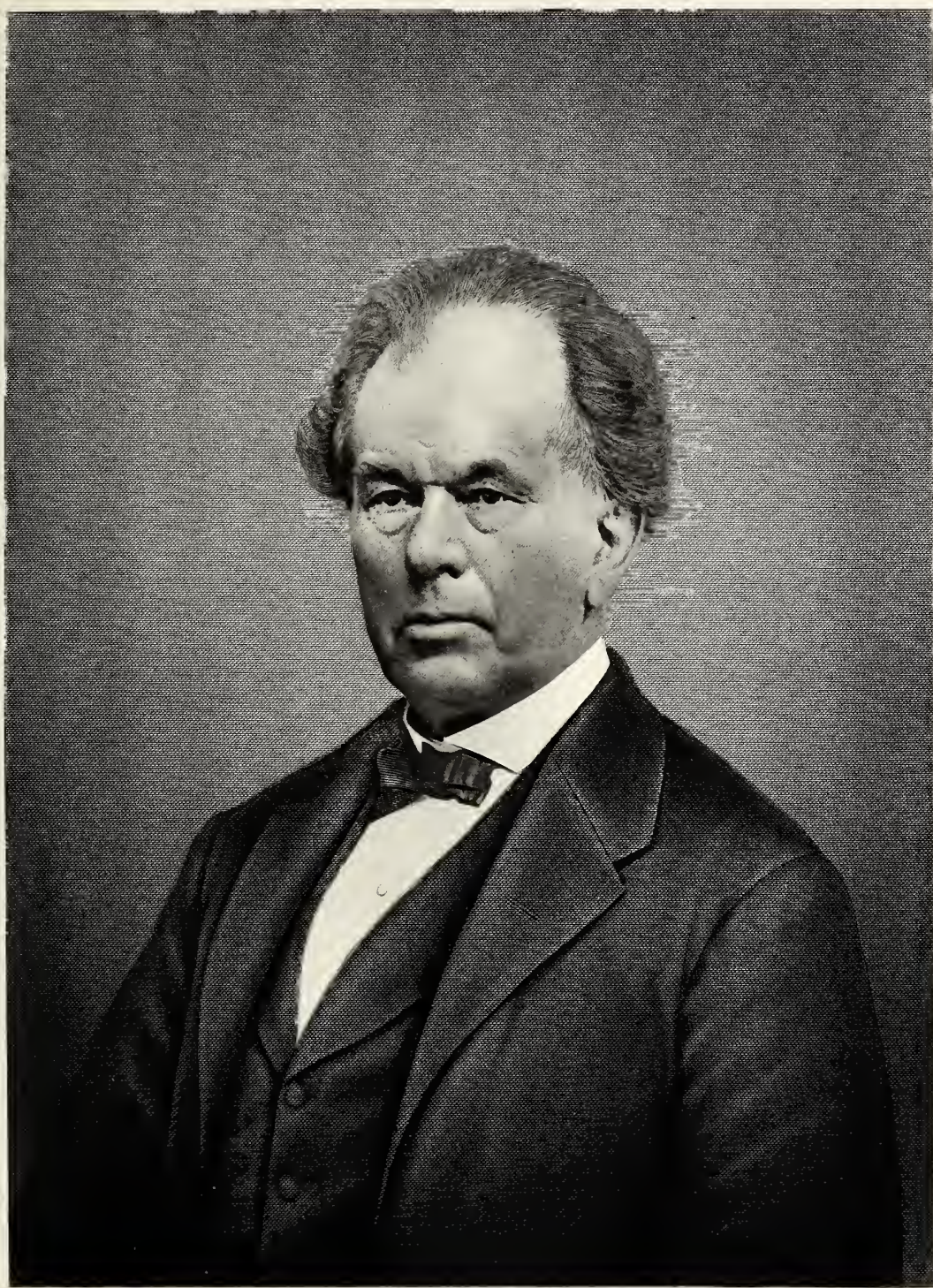
David Deshler, the second son of David Deshler, first above mentioned, and whose portrait accompanies this sketch, was born at the old homestead in Whitehall township, on the 10th of September, 1798. He left home when about sixteen years of age. He became a surveyor, and assisted in the government surveys of Kansas and Missouri. He afterwards engaged in the mercantile business in St. Louis, and later in Tusculumbia, Ala. He conceived the idea and successfully carried out the project of building a railroad from that place to Decatur, forty-two miles across the neck of a great bend in the Tennessee river, connecting its navigable waters (the water in the neck being shallow), and thus materially enhanced the commerce of that region. This was in 1834 or 1835, and the road was the first west of the Alleghenies, and probably the third in the United States. It is now a link in one of the great southern railroads between Memphis and Charleston.

David Deshler married an English woman, Eleanor, daughter of John Taylor. She was born April 17, 1808, at Lancashire, England. Their marriage took place on the 17th of March, 1825, at St. Louis, Mo., and soon after they removed to Tusculumbia, Ala. David Deshler had three children: David Taylor Deshler, born July 31, 1826; Charlotte Ann, born June 13, 1831; and James Deshler, born Feb. 18, 1833, at Tusculumbia, Ala. David, the elder son, was drowned at at "Gus Point," Hudson River, N. Y., July 17, 1845, whilst a student at the Military Academy, West Point. He is buried in the National Cemetery at West Point. James, the other son, also a cadet, was graduated, served in the army, and lost his life in the battle of Chickamauga, Sept. 20, 1863, aged 30 years, a brigadier-general, commanding Texan Brigade, Confederate Army.

The daughter died April 3, 1844, at twelve years of age. His wife, Eleanor T., died June 11, 1854, aged 46 years.

David Deshler was an advocate of the higher education for women, and after the death of his





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son, James, in 1863 (the last member of his family), he founded a non-sectarian school for the education of young women, located at Tuscumbia, Ala., incorporated under the name and style of "The Deshler Institute"; to said institute he made a bequest of his property at Tuscumbia, Ala. in his will; following a description of which, he says: "forming and comprising the square of lots on which my home residence is located, and upon which is situated the house in which James Deshler (in memory of whom the above institute was named and incorporated) was born."

"Deshler Institute" is still in existence, and continuing its good work in education at this writing (1914). At the time of his death Mr. Deshler owned extensive properties in and near the city of Minneapolis, Minn.

After moving to the South, David Deshler evidently became a member of the Baptist Church. A man of high principles, and unswerving integrity, he was yet of a genial, kindly nature. Personally, he was of fine presence, tall, straight, and of dignified bearing. David Deshler died suddenly, on Dec. 5, 1872, aged 74 years, 2 months and 25 days. He is buried with his family in the cemetery at Tuscumbia, Ala.

John, the third son of David Deshler, first above mentioned, lived at Waterloo, N. Y. He had children: David, Walter, and Harriet. Walter has a son, D. J. Frank.

Maria, daughter of David and Catharine (Fogel) Deshler, died aged 8 years.

Deborah, daughter of David and Catharine (Fogel) Deshler, married Peter Schantz, and they had two children: Walter D., who was married and had children; Mary, Sarah, Walter, Catharine, and Irene; and Ellenora C. M., who married John G. Wink. They had two children: John D., married to Esther Cressman, and they have three children: David D., Charles F., and Robert W.; and Caroline, married to Jesse Esser.

Catharine, the youngest child of David Deshler, was married to Louis K. Hottenstein. They had one son, Daniel K. Hottenstein, who was married to Emma E. Stichler. They have three children: Anna C., married to Charles A. Hottenstein, who have one daughter, Myrl F. Hottenstein; Louis V. Hottenstein; and Elda L., married to O. Raymond Grimley.

V. Juliana Deshler, second daughter of Adam, the emigrant, was born May 7, 1746, and died March 12, 1840. She married John George Schreiber, born Dec. 6, 1739, died Nov. 6, 1800. They lived in Allentown and are buried in the old Allentown cemetery. They had no children.

VI. Barbara Deshler, third daughter of Adam, Sr., was born Nov. 2, 1747, and died Oct. 11, 1832. She married Philip Boehm, born Dec. 14, 1747, died Jan. 10, 1816. He was a major in the Revolution and a grandson of Rev. John Philip Boehm.

VII. Catharine Deshler, youngest daughter of Adam, Sr., was born in 1751 and died Feb. 11, 1825. She married Peter Kern, born 1748, died May 28, 1821. They had nine children, and are buried at Hamburg, Berks county, where they resided.

#### DETWILLER FAMILY.

The Detwiller family is descended from Isaac Detwiller, of Laugenbruck, Canton Basle, Switzerland, who married Nov. 28, 1626, Margreda Hockendorn and had a son, Claus, born Feb. 6, 1631, who married, Oct. 25, 1653, Anna Tenney. Their son, Hans, born March 3, 1657, married, May 27, 1679, Margaret Jenney, and had a son, Gilg, born May 15, 1687, who married, March 6, 1714, Maria Schmid, and had a son, Henry Detwiller, who was born May 12, 1754, Anna Schneider and had a son, Henry Detwiler, who was born May 12, 1760, and died May 10, 1814. He married, Jan. 17, 1792, Varena Tenney, born Feb. 19, 1772, died June 30, 1854. They had seven children: Anna, b. Nov. 3, 1793, d. Aug. 5, 1877, m. George Bader, of Sissach; Henry; Varena, b. Dec. 7, 1797, d. April 12, 1880, m. Andrew Brodbeck, of Liestal; Maria, b. Sept. 29, 1800, d. Feb. 5, 1856, m. Leonard Seiler, of Basle, whose grandson came to America; Barbara, b. Aug. 16, 1803, d. Oct. 30, 1866, m. Ludwig Tschopp, of Waldenberg; John Jacob, b. April 11, 1805, d. July 16, 1878, m. Verena Tenney, whose son came to America; John, b. Feb. 7, 1810, m. Mary Ely, and she also came to America.

Dr. Henry Detwiller, son of Henry and Varena (Tenny) Detwiller, was born at Laugenbruck, Basle, Dec. 18, 1795. At the age of 13, he entered a French institute at St. Immier, where he remained two years. After private instruction for three years, he entered, in 1814, the medical department of the University at Freyburg, Baden, where he remained three years. He then resolved to visit America and devote four years to the collection of zoological, mineralogical, and botanical specimens.

He left Laugenbruck, April 2, 1817, and in company with General Count Vandamme, embarked at Rotterdam, on the ship *John*, an old three-master, with over 400 passengers, acting as ship's physician during the voyage. He arrived at Philadelphia, July 20, 1817, where he remain-

ed six months. At the suggestion of Joseph Bonaparte, General Vandamme, the eminent French doctor, Mimges, and other emigrés, he abandoned his collection tour and entered upon the practice of his profession at Allentown, on Sept. 3, 1817, as assistant in the office of Dr. Charles H. Martin, where he practiced seven months, with signal success.

During this period, there appeared in this section a disease attacking whole families, the cause of which, discovered by "the young German doctor," proved to be lead poisoning, from the glazing, with litharge, of earthen pots. This discovery and his successful antidotal treatment, created for him an enviable reputation, and he received many invitations to locate in other localities. In April, 1818, he removed to Hellertown, where he remained until 1852, when he removed to Easton. On July 23, 1828, he prescribed the first dose of homeopathic medicine, pulsatilla, ever given in the state. In 1836, he was elected a member of the faculty of the Homeopathic Medical Academy, at Allentown, and was one of the founders of the Thomas Iron Co. He died at Easton, April 21, 1887, aged 91 years. Dr. Detwiler married, in 1818, Elizabeth Appel, born June 20, 1798, died Nov. 19, 1835. They had seven children:

(1) Henrietta, b. June 13, 1819, m. Christian B. Heller, and had children, Maria, Elizabeth, Alice S., m. Edward H. Eyerman, and Henry.

(2) Dr. Charles L. M. Detwiler was born at Hellertown, June 20, 1821. In 1836, his father placed him in a medical school in Paris, where he remained four years, under the guidance of a particular friend. Upon his return to America he practiced medicine until his death, Feb. 6, 1854, at the early age of 32 years. He was a member of the Reformed Church, and of the Masonic fraternity. He married Sarah Correll, and had three children: Emily, Henry J., and John. Emily married Herman Doster, and had children, Charles, b. 1866, d. 1876, Pauline and Elizabeth. Dr. John Detwiler, b. Feb. 28, 1851 m. Mantie Reichel, and had children, Henrietta, Charles, Sarah, and Henry W.

HENRY J. DETWILER, son of Dr. Charles L. M., was born Feb. 3, 1849. He was educated in schools at Friedensville, Quakertown, and Doylestown, after which he attended the Polytechnic College, at Fifteenth and Market streets, Philadelphia, for a chemical course. He then entered the wholesale drug business in Philadelphia, for a time, and later took an extra course in chemicals and explosives in Cooper Institute, New York. After having engaged in the manufacture of explosives and fireworks in New York for five years he traveled by water

to California and was engaged from 1872 to 1875 in mining and chemical work along the Pacific coast from British Columbia to Chili. He then became a chemist with the Bethlehem Iron Company for eight years and in 1883 opened a private laboratory in analytical work on cement and other mineral resources, which he still conducts, having been one of the pioneers in this line of work. He married, Oct. 19, 1882, Anna Arabella, daughter of Henry J. and Anna Maria (Goundie) Saeger, and they have two daughters, Mary S. and Anna S. Mr. Detwiler and family are members of St. John's Lutheran church. Mrs. Detwiler is an active member of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R.

(3) Matilda, second daughter of Dr. Henry Detwiler, was born July 15, 1823, and is still living at Allentown, aged 91. She married, Feb. 20, 1845, Dr. Chas. L. Martin, and had eight children: Dr. Constantine H.; Dr. Charles D.; Lucinda C., m. Isaac Ash; Matilda S., m. John Satterfield; Elizabeth C., m. A. B. Fichter; Dr. Truman J.; Norton J.; and Wm. E.

(4) William, M.D., born April 13, 1826.

(5) Cecelia, born April 30, 1830, m. J. Jacob Detwiler.

(6) Lucinda, born June 27, 1832, m. G. A. Lilliendahl.

(7) Dr. John J., born April 26, 1834, m. (1st) Annie Thompson, (2d) Arabella Knecht, and had children, Dr. Wm. K., Elizabeth W., Edith K., Albert K., Frederick K., and John.

#### DETWEILER FAMILY.

The progenitor of this family came from Holland and located in Berks county, where he resided until his death. His son John was born and reared in Berks county, but later moved to Lehigh county, where he spent the latter years of his life. He was married to Anna Lohrman. They were the parents of five children, among whom were the following: Charles; Mary, married to Isaac Ganaware; Tilghman, who moved to Scranton; and Henry, of Allentown.

Charles Detweiler, oldest son of John and Anna (Lohrman) Detweiler, was born in Allentown, May 5, 1833. His mother died when he was but eleven years of age and his father four years later, thus he was compelled early in life to take care of himself. He worked on the farm for a time, and then served a three years apprenticeship at the blacksmith trade, under Peter Heller. On April 8, 1859, he engaged in the blacksmith business for himself, and by paying strict attention to his business and through his superior skill as a blacksmith, he succeeded in establishing the largest blacksmith establishment in Allentown. In 1890 he built a large shop at Nos.



531-533 Walnut street, which he conducted successfully up to the time of his death, July 5, 1902. Politically he was a Democrat and in 1884 he was elected to represent the Second ward in select council. Fraternally he was connected with Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F.. In 1855, he was married to Anna Reinsmith, daughter of Peter Reinsmith. To Mr. and Mrs. Detweiler the following children were born: Charles D., Flora, who became the wife of William J. Fenstermacher, and has two children, Charles and Henry; George, who married Mary Hillegas; Robert, who married Annie Avery, and has one child, Anna; and Harry, who died at the age of twenty-seven years.

CHARLES D. DETWEILER, son of Charles and Anna (Reinsmith) Detweiler, was born in Allentown, Feb. 11, 1859. He was educated in the public schools of his native place and also pursued a course in a business college. At an early age he learned the blacksmith trade with his father, and like his father, he became an expert horseshoer. He continued with his father until the latter's death, a period of twenty-six years. After the father's death, he continued the business with his brother one year, since which time he has conducted the business alone with marked success. He has moved his blacksmith shop to No. 44 South Law street, and has opened a garage at Nos. 531-533 Walnut street. In politics Mr. Detweiler is a Democrat. He and his family are members of Dubbs Memorial church. On Feb. 15, 1880, he was married to Emma Bickel, a daughter of Edwin and Caroline (Fisher) Bickel. Two children have been born to them: Florence, married to Edgar Tuttle, and resides at home; and Edgar, married to Lorain Muschlitz, of Allentown.

#### HARRY M. DEVLIN.

Harry M. Devlin, of South Whitehall township, was born June 6, 1879, there he received his education in the public schools. When 15 years old he secured employment as fireman in the power house of L. V. Traction Company, and continued there six years. He then served as a policeman in Allentown for three years under Mayor Lewis, and followed painting for two years. In 1905 he became assistant engineer with the Horlacher Brewing Company, and after filling this position satisfactorily for six years, he was promoted to chief engineer of the plant, which position he holds at the present time. He is a member of the American Order of Steam Engineers, L. V. Brewer's Association, and Salem's Reformed church.

Mr. Devlin married, Feb. 26, 1900, Lena, daughter of Lewis and Sophia (Diehl) Gable, and

they have five children: Robert, Margaret, Bertha, Harry, and Ernest.

The father of Mr. Devlin was Robert Devlin, who emigrated from County Derry, Ireland, in 1858, when 16 years old, and located at Catasauqua, where he found employment in the furnace of the Crane Iron Company. He continued there until 1893; then he was engaged in the power house of the L. V. Traction Company at Allentown for five years, after which he lived retired until his decease in 1908, aged 66 years. He was married to Margaret Whillie, and they had eight children: Mary, m. Albert Steckel; William, died an infant; Robert; Margaret, m. Spurgeon Weston; Frederick; Harry M.; Ralph; James, m. Hattie Romig; and Edith, m. Frank Detweiler. His grandfather was William Devlin, of Cork, Ireland.

#### DEWALT FAMILY.

Johannes Dewalt was a pioneer farmer of Bethlehem township, one mile north of Butztown, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there died in 1814, his remains being interred in a private graveyard one mile towards Butztown, later owned by General Robert Brown. The homestead is now owned by a descendant of the fifth generation, J. O. Dewalt, and is tenanted by his son Hiram Dewalt, a representative of the sixth generation Johannes Dewalt affiliated with the Reformed Church. He was the father of two sons: Christian and John.

Christian Dewalt succeeded his father to the homestead, followed the vocation of farming, and at his death was buried at Hecktown, in the Dryland churchyard. He and his family were affiliated with the Reformed Church. He married Susanna Townshand, who bore him nine children: Joseph; Nicholas; John; George; Jonathan; Abraham; Hannah, married Henry George; Susanna; Elizabeth, married Jacob Walter.

Nicholas Dewalt was born March 4, 1790, died Nov. 7, 1865, buried at Schoenersville, Pennsylvania. He served as a soldier in the War of 1812. He gave his attention to the tilling of the soil, first settling in Bethlehem township, and in 1839 removing to Hanover township, Lehigh county, where he spent the remainder of his days. He served as constable in both townships, and also was a school director. He was commissioned by Governor Simon Snyder a second lieutenant of the Tenth Company of Second Battalion, Ninety-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Militia, in the First Brigade, Seventh Division of Militia of Northampton, Pike and Lehigh counties, from Aug. 1, 1814, for a term of seven years. He married Judith Moyer, Children: Lovina, married Edward Laubach;

Susanna, died aged fourteen years; William, died aged fourteen years; Isaac, of whom further; Maria, died aged six years.

Isaac Dewalt was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, May 26, 1844. He attended the common schools of his native township, and taught school for one term in the Moore township school, and for five terms in the schools of Bethlehem township, beginning to teach in the year 1864. He then turned his attention to agricultural pursuits in Hanover township, where he continued to reside. He is a member of the Reformed church at Schoenersville, in which he has served as deacon and elder, and is a Republican in politics. He married, Dec. 23, 1876, Maritta Laubach, daughter of Jesse and Maria (Walter) Laubach. Children: Amelia R., married Christian Christine; George H.; Harvey A., married Aquilla Yellis, and their daughters are: Verna and Margaret; Lewis A., married Cora Keichel, and their children are: Paul, Richard; Lloyd; Eugene Q.; Carrie, married Paul Yellis.

#### HON. ARTHUR G. DEWALT.

Reuben Dewalt, son of Joseph, was the father of Hon. Arthur G. Dewalt, was born in 1829, died in Allentown, Lehigh county, in 1900. He married Annie E. Bieber, born at Kutztown, Berks county, in 1832, died at her home, No. 309 North Sixth street, Allentown, Dec. 25, 1910. She was one of the most widely known and esteemed women of Allentown, and was prominently associated with St. John's Lutheran church of Allentown, keeping up her religious and social activities to the end, sending numerous Christmas greetings to her many friends. Children: Arthur G., of whom further; and a daughter, who died in infancy.

Hon. Arthur G. Dewalt was born in Bath, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, Oct. 11, 1854. He was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown in 1870, entered the sophomore class of Lafayette College in 1871, graduating with honors in 1874. He then taught one term in Olney Academy, a preparatory school for colleges, as an instructor in classics. He next entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia, where he remained for a year, after which he entered the law office of Hon. John D. Stiles, as a student, in April, 1876, and was admitted to the bar of Lehigh county, Oct. 22, 1877. He achieved a large degree of success in the practice of his profession, ranking among the leading members of the legal fraternity. He was elected district attorney of Lehigh county, Nov. 2, 1880, serving three years; was admitted to the Supreme Court of

Pennsylvania in 1883; admitted to all the courts in Philadelphia in 1889. He served as adjutant of the National Guard of Pennsylvania for a period of ten years.

In 1902 Mr. Dewalt was elected senator from Lehigh county, and immediately on entering upon his duties in Harrisburg, his ability was recognized and he became the leader of the Democratic forces there, continuing as such during his eight years' stay in the upper legislative body of the state. During his membership in the Senate, he was foremost in advocating all reform measures, among which were the reform ballot laws, the apportionment bill, the regulation of banks, insurance, etc. He voted and spoke for the corrupt practice act; introduced a bill compelling competitive bids for county bridges; voted for the civil service law and for the repeal of the Philadelphia ripper bills; secured increased appropriations for the Allentown and St. Luke's hospitals; advocated the bill requiring the purchase of school books by the state for the townships of the first class; for the law providing for destitute children to be sent to the Soldiers' Orphans' Home; the law permitting children to attend high school in adjoining districts; voted for the Antietam memorial bills; for the Vicksburg and Shiloh memorial bills; for the establishment of national guard armories, the benefits of which Allentown will soon enjoy; opposed the erection of a statue to Senator Quay; voted against granting the right of eminent domain to water companies thus preserving the waters of the state from corporations; the bill allowing pay to school directors while attending institutes was favored by him, also the increase of teachers' pay; in the interest of the farmers he voted for a rebate of taxation for the planting of trees along the public highways; voted for the appropriation for state normal schools, and for the establishment of free public libraries, and advanced and voted for the bill providing for free medical attendance to poor people afflicted with hydrophobia. It is acknowledged that he was a leading member of the Insurance Investigating Committee and the Capitol Graft Investigation Committee. He was delegate to various Democratic state conventions, and was the chairman of the Committee on Resolutions a number of times. He also served as state chairman a number of years and was nominated for Auditor General of Pennsylvania. In 1914 he was nominated under the general primary act for Congress in the Berks and Lehigh District, and elected on Nov. 3, 1914.

#### DIEFENDERFER FAMILY.

This family derives its name from the village of Dübendorf, situated on the left side of the



Glatt river, between Fellanden and Schwamendingen, belonging to the jurisdiction of the city of Zurich, in Switzerland. The name was formerly Dübeldorf, Toubilindorf and Tobelndorf, and in ancient times possessed a nobility of its own, as Burkhard and Gerlo are mentioned in the year 1130 in a document concerning the cloister at Fahr. In 1195, Werner von Tubelndorf was a witness to a deed at the convent of Seldnau, and in 1229, Cuno von Dübendorf, Knight, witnessed a deed at the cloister of Zurichberg. In 1274 Conrad von Dübendorf was a member of the Knights' council in the city of Zurich. The church at Dübendorf is mentioned as early as 1420. It was enlarged in 1682, and was damaged by fire on Sept. 6, 1690, when the school house was destroyed. It was considerably enlarged in 1743, 1754 and 1763. The records of this church prior to 1690 were destroyed in the fire of that year, and no records of the ancient home of this family, located six miles northeast of Zurich, are extant.

John Dübendorffer, of this family, was born Oct. 8, 1663. He located at Nersheim, in Churfälzischen, near Heidelberg, where his sons, John Michael and Alexander were born. John Michael was born Jan. 10, 1695, and married, Jan. 21, 1721, Barbara Hasen. He emigrated with his wife and young son, Michael, and his brother, Alexander, to America, arriving at Philadelphia on Sept. 18, 1727.

The ship, the William and Sarah, was the first recorded in the archives of the state. John Michael settled at New Holland, Lancaster county, where he died, Nov. 12, 1778. His wife was born in 1700 and died at Lancaster, March 15, 1785. They had five sons: Michael, John, Jacob, George, and Adam. Michael, the eldest, was born near Heidelberg, Nov. 4, 1721, and died at Lancaster, Sept. 3, 1789. The descendants of these sons reside in Lancaster county and the western part of the state, and spell their name Diefenderfer.

Alexander Diefenderfer, who accompanied his brother Michael to America, received a warrant for 150 acres of land, then in Bucks county, and now lying partly in Bucks and partly in Lehigh county, on June 1, 1734. This tract was located east of the Berks county line, near the present Kraussdale. In the Journals of the Proprietary Land Office is this entry: "Dec. 4, 1739. Rec'd of Alexander Defendelfer, in part for land in Milford township, £8. 0. 0."

Alexander Diefenderfer was naturalized in September, 1740. He farmed his tract of land and was a prominent man in the community. He was a member of the Great Swamp Reformed

congregation, where he was buried. He died Nov. 29, 1768. His widow, Gertrude, died in 1789, in Macungie township. They had five children: Anna Margaret, Godfrey, Gertrude, Alexander, and John.

Anna Margaret, the eldest daughter, married, first, John Nicholas Oehl, who died in 1759; and second, Nov. 25, 1760, John Maurer. Gertrude, the second daughter, married Henry Miller. On Dec. 7, 1768, Henry Miller and his wife purchased from the other heirs the tract of land which their father had owned. It was bounded by lands of Balzer Krauss, Frederick Limbach, George Hillegas, the heirs of Rev. Rudolph Kidweiler, George Horlacher, and Ludwig Bitting. On Jan. 7, 1769, Henry Miller and wife sold 75 acres of this tract to Alexander Diefenderfer, Jr., which he sold on Feb. 7, 1774, to George Hillegas, and removed to Montgomery county. Alexander, the son, was confirmed at Great Swamp church in 1758. He married Elizabeth Gertrude Leydich, who was born in Holland, Oct. 10, 1746, and died Nov. 25, 1825. She was a daughter of Rev. John Philip Leydich, the Reformed minister (1715-1784) and his wife, Mary Catharine Homrighausen. It is not known whether they had any descendants.

John Diefenderfer, son of Alexander, Sr., settled in Macungie township, where he died in 1782, leaving a widow, Magdalena, and three children: Magdalena, Jacob, and Anna Mary, born March 29, 1776. Jacob Diefenderfer was born March 16, 1765, and died Sept. 29, 1837. He married Magdalena Biery, daughter of Michael Biery. She was born April 16, 1766 and died Sept. 30, 1831. They are buried at Trexler-town church. Jacob Diefenderfer received his father's land, which he farmed, and bequeathed to his son, Jonathan. His children were: Elizabeth, born Oct. 11, 1787, died April 27, 1863, who married Christian Miller; Jonathan; Anna, born April 19, 1800; and Solomon, born April 20, died May 8, 1805.

Jonathan Diefenderfer, only surviving son of Jacob, was born Oct. 17, 1789, and died April 4, 1874. He married Elizabeth Harlacher, who was born Sept. 28, 1786, and died March 30, 1851. They had three children: Reuben, born April 30, 1812, died Aug. 3, 1842; Magdalena, born March 31, 1815, died young; and Edward, born April 9, 1822. Edward inherited considerable property from his parents and resided on a farm between Wescosville and Trexlertown. He died Nov. 2, 1898. He married, Oct. 3, 1847, Susanna Berkenstock, of Upper Saucon. They had eight children: Reuben, born July 13, 1848; Elizabeth B., born 1850, died 1851; Clinton B., born July 29, 1853; Edwin B.; Sarah B., born

March 20, died Aug. 26, 1856; William; Phaon; and Mrs. Harvey Gruver.

Godfrey Diefenderfer, the eldest son of Alexander Diefenderfer, and the ancestor of the greater part of the family in Lehigh county, was born Feb. 19, 1730. He was confirmed a member of the Great Swamp Reformed church, and about 1750 settled in Macungie township, where he secured a tract of 100 acres by warrant of Aug. 22, 1754, and later added to his holdings until he had over 200 acres. He and his sons, John and Jacob, were enrolled as privates in Captain Greenmeyer's company of the First Battalion of Northampton County Militia, commanded by Lieut-Colonel Stephen Balliet in 1781 and 1782, in the Revolutionary War. He was one of the founders and an elder of the Reformed congregation at Trexlertown in 1784. He died April 16, 1806, and is buried at Trexlertown, near his wife. He married, May 3, 1753, Anna Margaret Mattern, who was born Oct. 6, 1727, and died April 6, 1801. She was the daughter of Peter Mattern and his wife Catharine, the latter of whom died Sept. 10, 1758, aged 56 years. Godfrey Diefenderfer and his wife, Anna Margaret Mattern, had seven children: John, Gertrude, Jacob, Margaret, Henry, Anna Elizabeth, and Philip.

John Diefenderfer, the eldest son, was born in Macungie township, Jan. 25, 1754. In 1784 he purchased a tract of 200 acres along the Lehigh river, then a part of Salisbury township, on which he was assessed in that township in 1785. It later became a part of Northampton township and is now included within the limits of the city of Allentown, where, in recent years, the Allentown Iron Company's furnaces were located. On this tract was a one and a half story log house, with a long, slanting roof, over which towered a large black walnut tree, where the family resided. A large spring bubbled out of the ground and flowed into the Lehigh, which was destroyed after the building of the dam. "Diefenderfer's Spring" was a famous picnic ground and many political meetings were held there prior to 1830. John Diefenderfer was an active member of Zion Reformed church at Allentown, and at his death, March 27, 1815, was buried in the old graveyard at Tenth and Linden streets. He married, Feb. 6, 1781, in Macungie township, Charlotte Elizabeth Shankweiler, who was born March 25, 1759, and died June 27, 1821. She was the daughter of Jacob and Anna Louisa Shankweiler. They had six children:

1. Anna Margaret, born in Macungie township, June 9, 1783. She was baptized Aug. 3, 1783, and her sponsors were her paternal grandparents.

2. Abraham, born April 29, 1785, in Salisbury township. He was baptized by Rev. Blumer on July 3d, when his sponsors were Jacob Shankweiler and Elizabeth Diefenderfer.

3. Salome, born Sept. 14, 1786, baptized Oct. 29, 1786. Her sponsors were Peter Herbst and Catharine Shankweiler. She died in childhood.

4. John, born March 17, 1788, at the homestead, and baptized April 20, 1788, by Rev. Blumer. His sponsors were Abraham and Elizabeth Sterner.

5. Isaac, who died in infancy.

6. Jacob, born Aug. 8, 1792, and baptized Sept. 16, 1792. Sponsors: Jacob and Anna Maria Diefenderfer. He died in childhood.

Anna Margaret Diefenderfer, the eldest child, married, in 1803, Peter Newhard. She died Aug. 29, 1859, and was buried in Union cemetery. They had ten children: Louisa, wife of Joseph Lehr; Apollonia, wife of Joseph Fatzinger; Reuben; Keren H., wife of Stephen Rhoads; Charlotte, wife of William Miller; Melitha, wife of John Fatzinger; Laurence, who died young; Thomas; Emmanuel; and Henrietta, who died at the age of two years.

Abraham Diefenderfer, eldest son of John, born April 29, 1785, was a carpenter and lived some time in Hanover township, but later resided in Allentown, where he died April 15, 1832. He married, in 1806, Salome Hübler, who was born in 1786 and died July 3, 1867. They had seven children: Charles, Paul, John, Charlotte, a daughter, who died Sept. 9, 1818, in her 18th month, Salome, and Anna Maria. Charles Diefenderfer, the eldest son, was born March 19, 1808, and died Jan. 13, 1845. He was a miller on the Cedar creek and married (first) Juliana Hofford, who was born in 1809 and died April 11, 1836; and (second) Mary Litzenberger, who survived him and subsequently married a Mr. Strauss. His children were: (1) Dennis P., born in 1840, died in Reading, Jan. 6, 1903. He was a coach trimmer and painter, and left six sons: Charles, George, Oscar and Jacob Diefenderfer, of Reading; John and Dennis, of Philadelphia; and two daughters, Jennie, wife of Chas. I. Rightmyer; and Annie M., wife of Albert Wetzell, both of Reading.

(2) Abraham Diefenderfer, of Allentown, who married Emma Yingling, and had children: Clara and John William, who was born in 1865 and died June 17, 1906. He married Laura Sterner and had children: Mrs. Helen Seip, Charles, Marcus, Irene, and Laura.

(3) Mrs. Daniel Reider, of Reading.

(4) Mrs. Elemina Seip.

Paul Diefenderfer, second son of Abraham, was born May 15, 1810, and died Oct. 30, 1848.



He married Matilda Guth, but had no children.

John Diefenderfer, third son of Abraham, was born Dec. 11, 1812, and died Sept. 25, 1854. He was the first person buried in Union cemetery. He married Rebecca Swartz, and had five children: (1) Thomas, born Sept. 20, 1840, died Nov. 8, 1863. (2) Charles Tilghman, born Oct. 5, 1843, died April 26, 1911, at Pasadena, Cal. He was a painter by occupation and resided at Tiffin, Ohio, and in Kansas some years. In the Civil War he was a sergeant in the 149th Penna. Infantry, and also served an enlistment for nine months as a private in Capt. P. C. Huber's company of the 128th Penna. Volunteers. He had four children: William C., John F., Mrs. Harry B. Weinsheimer, and Mrs. Walter V. Beers. (3) Annie M., wife of John P. La Roche, of Allentown. (4) Mrs. Samuel J. Harris, of Carlisle; and (5) Alexander Diefenderfer, of Philadelphia. Of the daughters of Abraham Diefenderfer, Salome married, July 7, 1839, David Schwartz, and Anna married Allen Kramer.

John Diefenderfer, second son of John, Sr., born March 17, 1788, remained upon the homestead until 1830, when he purchased a farm in Whitehall township, near Fullerton, which he cultivated until his death, June 5, 1862. He married Salome, daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth Sterner. She was born in Whitehall township, Aug. 14, 1795, and died Nov. 22, 1856. They had twelve children, the eldest of whom died at the age of two weeks and the youngest at the age of eleven months. The ten children who all reared families, one of whom, Mrs. James W. Snyder, survives, in her ninetieth year, were:

1. Moses Diefenderfer, born Feb. 13, 1814, died Sept. 27, 1890. He married Annie F. Haffner, born Nov. 25, 1833, died Feb. 7, 1901. Their children are: George; Lewis D.; Nathan; and Cora P., wife of John Koehler.

2. Solomon Diefenderfer, born May 5, 1816, died May 31, 1880. He married (first) Salome Miller, born July 10, 1822, died May 28, 1863, and (second) Mrs. Mary Miller, *nee* Snyder, born June 1, 1832, died Nov. 2, 1892. His children are: George, Tilghman, Uriah, Reuben L., Albert E., Ella, and Elizabeth.

3. Esther Diefenderfer, born Feb. 18, 1818, died Feb. 24, 1892, married Adam Berlin, of Cherryville.

4. Ephraim Diefenderfer, born Sept. 14, 1819, was a carpenter and lived some years at Allentown. He later, in 1868, removed to Easton, Md., where he died, Nov. 21, 1892. He married Matilda Biery and had six children.

5. John Diefenderfer, born Jan. 21, 1821, died Sept. 22, 1901. He farmed a portion of his fa-

ther's land in Whitehall township, and married Sarah A. Reichard, born Oct. 25, 1825, died Feb. 24, 1882. They had eight children. Rev. Moses H. Diefenderfer, their eldest son, was born Aug. 16, 1846, and was educated in the township schools. In 1868 he entered the Allentown Academy, and the following year, Franklin and Marshall College, where he graduated June 26, 1873, and graduated from the Reformed Church Seminary on May 9, 1876. He was licensed to preach by East Pennsylvania Classis, May 25, 1876, and Feb. 21, 1877, was ordained by Clarion Classis, having accepted the pastorate of the Plum Creek charge in Armstrong county. In 1881, he accepted a call in Somerset county, which he resigned after three years because the climatic conditions affected his health. On July 15, 1884, he became the pastor of Christ Reformed church, Allentown, which he served until Dec. 31, 1900, when he resigned because of ill health. During his active pastorate the present handsome edifice was erected. Rev. Diefenderfer died from the effects of a stroke of apoplexy, Feb. 27, 1901. He married, Sept. 24, 1878, Salome H. Allshouse, of South Bend, Armstrong county, and left one son, Alpha A., a graduate of Lehigh University, now a member of the faculty of that institution.

The other children of John Diefenderfer, Jr., are: John M., principal of a grammar school at Bethlehem; Eugene, of Fullerton; Mantana, of Fullerton; Jane, wife of Dr. T. J. Koehler, of Easton; Josephine, wife of Israel L. Schadt, of Allentown; Sarah, wife of James D. Graffin, of South Whitehall; and Eliza, wife of Alfred Nagle, of Fullerton.

6. Salome Diefenderfer, born April 28, 1824, married James W. Snyder, and resides at Fullerton.

7. Lucetta S. Diefenderfer, born Nov. 2, 1825, married, Nov. 21, 1844, Jesse Reichard.

8. Owen Diefenderfer, born Oct. 8, 1827, on the site of the Allentown Iron Works, farmed the greater portion of his father's land in Whitehall, on which he resided until his death, May 24, 1904. He was married, June 4, 1848, to Pauline, daughter of George Frederick, Esq., by Rev. Jos. S. Dubbs. Mrs. Diefenderfer was born in 1828 and died Feb. 13, 1906. They had five children: John G.; Thomas F.; Maria, deceased, married Reuben P. Steckel; James L.; and Hannah, wife of Walter B. Schadt, of Fullerton.

JOHN G. DIEFENDERFER, eldest son of Owen, was born Jan. 6, 1849. He was educated in the Whitehall township schools, Allentown Academy, and Lafayette College, from which he graduated in 1873. He then became a member of the faculty

of Lafayette College, teaching modern languages and mathematics, during which time he studied law and was admitted to the bar of Northampton county in 1882, and to that of Lehigh county in 1886. He practiced law in Bethlehem from 1882 to 1889, when he removed to Allentown, where he has since practiced and is now Referee in Bankruptcy for Lehigh county. He is a member of the Reformed Church. He married, in 1884, Sarah E., daughter of Charles Augustus and Matilda (Jacobson) Luckenbach, of Bethlehem, and has two daughters: Paulina M., married William S. Hall, of Glenside; and Edna E., married Edmund Cox Wilson, of Fulton, N. Y.

Thomas F. Diefenderfer, son of Owen, a prominent attorney of Allentown, and president of the Merchants National Bank, married Alice C. Cole, and has one daughter, Miriam C.

James L. Diefenderfer, son of Owen, who died Jan. 28, 1906, was an active citizen of his township, serving as a school director and a member of the Board of Commissioners of Whitehall township. He was a member of Mickley's Reformed congregation. His widow, one son, Edwin J., of St. Michael's, Ind., and one daughter, Mrs. Joseph H. Koehler, survived him.

9. Aaron Diefenderfer, born June 28, 1832, died Jan. 27, 1910, married Caroline Lazarus, who was born Feb. 12, 1838, and died April 14, 1913. They had ten children: Jonas, Milton, Alexander, Lavinia, wife of Rudolph Schoenhut; Alice, married Nathan Haffner; Caroline, wife of David Snyder; Margaret; Sarah, wife of Wm. Bartholomew; Tillie, wife of George T. Rockel; and Edwin.

10. Matilda C. Diefenderfer, born May 12, 1834, died in 1860, married Lewis Biery.

Gertrude, the second child of Godfrey Diefenderfer, was born July 19, 1757, and died Oct. 16, 1831. She married John Bleiler, who was born May 4, 1755, and died June 4, 1823. They had no children. Mr. Bleiler is buried at Trumbauersville and his wife at Trexlertown.

Jacob Diefenderfer, second son of Godfrey, was born June 26, 1759, one of twins, his twin sister, Margaret, not long surviving. He lived in Macungie township, where he and his wife Anna Maria had these children: Elizabeth, born May 10, 1785; Gottfried, born Aug. 4, 1787; John Philip, born Sept. 29, 1790; Gertrude, born May 25, 1792; and Anna Maria, born Sept. 23, 1793. Nothing further is known of this family and they are supposed to have moved West.

Henry Diefenderfer, third son of Godfrey, was born Feb. 3, 1764, and died Nov. 24, 1846. He was a farmer in Macungie township, where he married Susan Jarrett, who was born June 17, 1766, and died July 24, 1851. They had

fifteen children, of whom four died young. Their eleven children who survived were:

1. Lydia, born Feb. 3, 1788, died Feb. 1, 1848. She married Conrad Neumoyer, who was born Oct. 31, 1779, and died Jan. 25, 1844. Their son, George Neumoyer, was the father of Tilghman Neumoyer, of Emaus.

2. Jacob Diefenderfer, born Aug. 19, 1789, married Mary Bear. She was born in 1793 and died May 30, 1856, at Greenville, Mercer county. A son, Charles, was born Aug. 30, 1821.

3. Henry Diefenderfer, born March 13, 1791, died July 24, 1862, married Elizabeth Koehler, born March 31, 1795, died Jan. 1, 1842. He was a farmer in Macungie township and had seven children: (1) Rebecca, born in 1813, died July 6, 1902, married William Brown; (2) Hannah, married Jonas George. (3) Peter K., born 1822, died 1841. (4) Lydia, married Daniel Greasmer. (5) Amandes J., who was killed by lightning, married Maria Stehler, and had a son, Moses W. Diefenderfer, of Macungie. (6) William Henry. (7) Edwin S.

RALPH E. DIEFENDERFER, merchant at Orinrod's North Whitehall, is a grandson of William H. Diefenderfer, who was a son of Henry Diefenderfer, of Macungie, and was born in 1825. He was a blacksmith by trade and resided in Upper Milford township, near the Macungie line. He married Matilda Haak, daughter of Michael and Catharine (Zerfass) Haak. They were members of the Reformed Church. He died in 1897 and lies buried at Macungie. This union was blessed with three sons: Llewellyn F., Martin E., and A. Victor.

Martin E., deceased, married Tevillia Henninger, who survives him. He left no issue. Mr. Diefenderfer was a very fine penman, and engrossed many cards, diplomas and resolutions. His most noted work is the resolutions he engrossed for a prominent Pennsylvania organization upon the death of General U. S. Grant, which contains in the center a very unique and life portrait of the ex-president.

A. Victor was born at Shimersville, Dec. 9, 1850. He was educated in the township public schools and as a boy worked on the farm and in the neighboring mines. At the age of 17 he entered upon a clerkship in the general store at Wenersville, conducted by Josiah Strauss. In 1877 he engaged in the mercantile business with L. Wickert as partner and in 1884 became the successor to Frank Guth, the general merchant of Siegersville and has conducted the store ever since. April 14, 1884, during Cleveland's first administration, he was appointed postmaster at Orefield (Siegersville) and has been re-appointed by each successive administration. In politics he



is a Democrat. He and his family are members of the Jordan Reformed congregation, in which he has served as deacon and treasurer. Besides being a Knight Templar, he enjoys membership in the K. of P., and K. of M. In 1880, he married Emma C., daughter of William and Elemina (Jordan) Muir. They have issue: Ralph E., William M., and Robert A.

Rev. William M. Diefenderfer was born at Emaus, Nov. 18, 1881. After completing the course of the public schools of North Whitehall township, he entered Perkiomen Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1900. In the fall of the same year, he entered Franklin and Marshall College, was graduated in 1903 and from the Seminary in 1906. In the same year he accepted a call from St. Paul's Reformed congregation of Sharon, Pennsylvania, which he still serves. He is a Mason and an Odd Fellow. In politics he is a Democrat.

Robert A. Diefenderfer was born at Siegersville, Sept. 12, 1888. He was educated in the public schools of his township, Perkiomen Seminary (Class of 1907), and Franklin and Marshall College. He resides at home with his parents.

Ralph E. Diefenderfer was born April 22, 1887, in Siegersville and was educated in the township public schools and Perkiomen Seminary. He taught school in Whitehall and North Whitehall townships and is now engaged in business with his father, conducting a branch store at Ormrod. He is a school director in his native township, a member of the K. of G. E., Jr. O. U. A. M., and M. W. of W., and of the Jordan Reformed congregation. In politics he is a Democrat. In 1914, he was elected a member of the Legislature. He married Idella Gerhard, daughter of Ambrose and Regina (Schultz) Gerhard.

Edwin S. Diefenderfer was born Sept. 22, 1828. He was a coachmaker and after following his trade for twenty years, took charge of the hotel at Dillingersville, which he conducted for fourteen years. He married Eliza, daughter of Jonathan and Susanna (Schmidt) Schmoyer. She was born Nov. 30, 1827, and died Oct. 23, 1905. They had these children: Marcus A., married (first) Ida Downs, (second) Mrs. Kate Weiler, *nee* Keck; Elmira, married George H. Hart, of Pennsburg; Irvin P., married Emma Smith; Edwin H., married Maggie J. Brooks; Preston W.; Susan E., married Theodore G. P. Roth; and Ida, married Frank Wilt.

PRESTON W. DIEFENDERFER was born June 8, 1862, in Spinnerstown, Bucks county. He was baptized by Rev. Alfred Dubbs, the sponsors being William Braun and his wife, Rebecca, *nee* Diefenderfer. As a young man he came with his father to Dillingersville, Lehigh county, and at

the age of 17 years was apprenticed with Sterner & Daubenspeck, carpenters and contractors of Emaus. Having mastered the trade of carpenter and builder, Mr. Diefenderfer entered the contracting business for himself.

In 1904 he erected for himself a beautiful and cosy colonial residence on North Seventeenth street, near Hamilton. On the 13th of August, 1885, he married Ida Rebecca, daughter of Charles Henzelman and his wife Lydia, *nee* Snyder.

Charles Frederick Henry Henzelman, a son of Gottlieb and his wife Fredericke, *nee* Peter, was born Nov. 27, 1813, in Rabou, Mecklenburg Schwerin, Hanover, Germany, where his father possessed a large estate. In his native country he learned the profession of organ builder and piano tuner. He served an apprenticeship of eight years, upon the completion of which he was given a beautiful gold watch by his master, as a token of his esteem and friendship. This watch is in the possession of Mrs. Diefenderfer. Mr. Henzelman was induced by Mr. Albright, a piano builder of Philadelphia, to come to America, in 1836. He married Lydia, daughter of Peter and Rebecca (Scheetz) Snyder, of Lynn township. She was born May 13, 1827, and died Feb. 23, 1909. This union was blessed with four children: Pauline S., Jenelia S., Milton S., and Ida Rebecca. Mr. Henzelman resided at Ninth and Walnut streets, where he built organs. Among the many organs built by him are those at the New Tripoli, Friedensville, Blue and Weisenberg churches. Mr. Henzelman was a member of St. Michael's Lutheran congregation and Mrs. Henzelman was a member of Salem's Reformed church.

To Mr. and Mrs. Diefenderfer were born the following children: Martin E., born Jan. 9, 1887; Lillian May, born Jan. 4, 1899; and Arline Ruth, born April 29, 1902. Mr. Diefenderfer is a member of the Baer Family Association and takes a lively interest in its annual reunions. In 1911, his family were among the jolly campers who spent a whole week in the Kutztown park. It was during reunion week that they celebrated their silver wedding anniversary, which, however, had been postponed a year on account of the illness of Mrs. Diefenderfer. This pretty social affair proved to be one of the most pleasant features of reunion week.

4. Godfrey Diefenderfer, born Aug. 20, 1792, died in Longswamp township, Berks county, Dec. 10, 1828, leaving a widow, *nee* Kiefer, and five children.

5. Isaac Diefenderfer, born May 19, 1794, died June 18, 1866, in Mercer county. He married Lydia Keiser, who died in 1842, and had

eight children: Angelina, wife of George Neumoyer; Esther, wife of Jonas Blank; Henry; Elvina; Theresa; Susan, married Stephen Baer; David K.; and Isaac. David K., who was postmaster at Allentown from 1869 to 1877, married Christiana Binder, and had a son who was frozen at sea. Isaac, Jr., born 1835, a stone-cutter at Allentown, married Elvina Trollinger and had children: Charles A., born 1859, died 1902; Harry J., of Philadelphia; Oscar W., deceased; Annie J., married Frank Baker; and Maggie, married Frank Witman, of Reading.

6. John Diefenderfer, born Nov. 1, 1795, married Christiana Dankel and moved to Orwigsburg. His son, John Henry, married Martha A. Wagner and had sons: C. W., of the United States Mint; and Dr. Walter B.

7. Salome, born April 5, 1797, married Peter Keiser, and had two children: George, and Angelina, wife of Rev. Wm. Desch.

8. Solomon Diefenderfer, born Sept. 9, 1801, married Nancy Arner and moved to Mercer county.

9. Benjamin Diefenderfer married Judith Knappenberger. He removed to Mercer county and had children: Tilghman; Maria, wife of Daniel Maurer; William, married Melisana Frederick; James; George; Salome, married John Derr; Eli; Annie, married Charles Diefenderfer, son of Moses; Jeemiah; and Sylvester.

10. Moses Diefenderfer, born Aug. 29, 1806, married Catharine Bear and removed to Mercer county. He had a son, Charles, and one daughter.

11. Catharine Diefenderfer, born May 23, 1808, married, June 3, 1827, Henry Bear, born March 6, 1801. They had eight children: Lizzie, married Daniel Hartzell; Susan, married Joseph Lonabach, whose children are: Kate, Joseph, and Daisy, wife of Rev. George Greiss; David; Polly; Kate; Henry; James; Sarah; and Mary, wife of James Rems, of Macungie.

Anna Elizabeth Diefenderfer, daughter of Godfrey, married David Scholl.

Philip Diefenderfer, youngest son of Godfrey, was born Aug. 3, 1772, and died March 26, 1823. He married Anna Maria Stephan, born March 8, 1775, died Aug. 15, 1843. He was a farmer in Macungie township and ran a mill on the Little Lehigh. His children were: George; Philip; Salome, who died in infancy; Jacob; Solomon; Maria; and Philip.

Jacob Diefenderfer, his eldest son, was born Jan. 18, 1801, and died July 31, 1870. He married Esther Schmoyer and had children: Jacob, born Aug. 4, 1824; Maria Ann, born March 24, 1826, died Oct. 17, 1865; Lydia, born June 30, 1827, died April 23, 1897, married Jonathan

Steffen; Susanna, born Feb. 9, 1830; Abraham, born July 6, 1832; and Remandus, born May 4, 1835.

Solomon Diefenderfer, born Aug. 3, 1805, died Dec. 18, 1883, married, Sept. 13, 1829, Hannah Steffen, born Feb. 19, 1807, died Sept. 12, 1869. They had eight children: Thomas, born 1830, died 1832; Mariane, born Feb. 12, 1832; Solomon, born Feb. 7, 1834, died Sept. 2, 1859; Matilda, born 1836, died 1837; Lydia, born Aug. 17, 1838, died April 5, 1878; Sarah Ann, born 1841, died 1842; Hannah, born April 7, 1845; and Charles, born Sept. 27, 1848.

Philip Diefenderfer, son of Philip, born Aug. 8, 1816, died at Lehigh, Aug. 13, 1902. He was a gunsmith of ability. His son, Alfred F., died at Lehigh, and a daughter, Aquila, who married James Romig, died in 1895.

EARL DIEFENDERFER, son of David and Sarah (Seip) Diefenderfer, and grandson of David Diefenderfer, who was at one time postmaster of Allentown, agent for the Lehigh Valley Railway station at Easton, was born at Macungie, Lehigh county, May 3, 1874. He received his early training in the public schools of Kent county, Delaware, and Coplay, Lehigh county. At the age of thirteen he began as office boy in the office of the Lehigh Valley Railway, in whose employ he has continued ever since. From office boy he was promoted to freight and ticket clerk, to way bill clerk, to chief clerk, and on May 23, 1911, agent of the Coplay and Cementon stations. In 1913 he was appointed agent for Easton, one of the largest offices along the Lehigh Valley Railway; these rapid promotions were made solely on the basis of merit and faithfulness. In politics Mr. Diefenderfer is a Democrat, and stands high in the councils of the party. He is identified with the reorganizers of the party and has contributed much to their success in Northampton county. At the incorporation of the borough of Northampton he was elected school director and was continued for a period upward of ten years, resigning when he removed to Easton. During this time he served as treasurer three years, secretary for seven years. It is only giving just recognition to his unselfish service, to say that during all these years he was the moving spirit in the board, and that in no small degree is the splendid school system of the borough of Northampton due to his foresight and untiring efforts.

He is a member of St. John's Lutheran congregation, Coplay, in which he serves as trustee. Fraternally Mr. Diefenderfer enjoys membership in the following orders: P. O. S. of A.; Whitehall Beneficial Society; Royal Arcanum; Heptasophs, and F. and A. M.



On Sept. 17, 1897, he was united in holy wedlock with Stella Anna Koons, a daughter of William and Sarah A. (Silfies) Koons (See Koons family). Mrs. Diefenderfer prior to her marriage taught public school. She is a lady of culture, happy in the circle of her home. This union is blessed with two children, Earl and Marie.

GEORGE H. DILCHER.

James Dilcher, son of Reuben Dilcher, a resident of Klecknersville, Northampton county, Pa., was born at Catasauqua, in 1840, died in June, 1897, and is buried in Fairview cemetery, Catasauqua. As a lad he attended the common schools, acquiring a practical education, and in early manhood engaged in general teaming, continuing until 1872, in which year he established a baking business in Catasauqua, continuing it successfully until 1893, when his son, George H., became the owner. He was a member and held official position in St. Paul's Lutheran church, at Catasauqua, and was a Republican in politics. He married Abigail Beisel, born in 1843, died Feb. 24, 1899, buried in Fairview Cemetery, Catasauqua, daughter of Jacob Beisel. Children: Sarah C., married Paul C. Broadbeck, of Catasauqua; child, died in infancy; Ellen died, aged seventeen years; Minnie, deceased, was the wife of Joseph Norton; William, married Mary Wolf; George H., of whom further; Annie, married Henry Kirch, a hotel keeper at Atlantic City, New Jersey; children, Carl, Helen, and three other children, who died in infancy.

George H. Dilcher, son of James and Abigail (Beisel) Dilcher, was born in Allentown, Feb. 26, 1864. His educational advantages were obtained by attendance at the public schools of Catasauqua, and early in life he entered the employ of his father as an assistant in his bakery. He thoroughly mastered the trade and worked as a journeyman for his father until 1893, in which year he succeeded him in the management of the business and conducted it in a successful manner until Nov. 1, 1907, when he disposed of it and removed to Allentown, where he established a real estate and insurance business, and in course of time became an extensive builder in Allentown and vicinity. He is a member of the board of directors of the Lehigh National Bank, at Catasauqua, a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Catasauqua, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Modern Woodmen of America.

Mr. Dilcher married Laura C. Hummel, daughter of the late William and Matilda (Solt) Hummel, of Kreidersville, Pa., who were the parents of seven other children, as follows; Amanda, Elizabeth, Mary, Sarah, Meta, Clara, and

Freeman. Mrs. Dilcher is a member of the Linden Street Methodist Episcopal church, of Allentown. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Dilcher: Emma Luella, educated in the public schools and Catasauqua high school, graduating from the latter named institution; Harry James, educated in the public schools, now studying mechanical engineering at Lehigh University, South Bethlehem.

DIEHL FAMILY.

There were two Diehl families that settled at an early date in Lehigh county. Daniel Diehl who came from Upper Saucon and settled on the Lehigh mountain, and the family of Adam Diehl, who lived in Lowhill township. Solomon Diehl, a son of Adam, was born in Lowhill township. He was a weaver and at the same time farmed a small tract of land. His homestead is now owned by Benjamin Kressly. He was a member of the Fogelsville Reformed Congregation. He was buried at Morganland church, and his wife, *nee* Zimmerman, is buried at Ziegel's church. Issue: Jesse, Jonas and Benjamin. Mr. Diehl was married the second time to Anna Siegfried, and they had these children: Elias, Solomon, Uriah, Celesta (Mrs. Irwin Stahler) and Matilda.

Benjamin Diehl, son of Solomon Diehl, lived in Lowhill township, where he had a farm which he conducted. He was for many years a "Post Rider." Once every week he made the circuit from Allentown, covering seven townships. It required two and a half days to make the circuit. The postage at this time was five cents. The "Post Rider" was a very popular man and known by everyone on the route. He is buried at Morganland church, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation. He was married to Catharine Heilman, with whom he had the following children: Alvin, Thomas, Reuben, Benjamin, Catharine (Mrs. Levi Smith), Phaon F. and Tilghman. Mr. Diehl was married the second time to Judith, a daughter of John Diehl. The children of the second marriage were the following: Lewis, Angeline, Chester, Maria, Willoughby, Josiah, Richard, Amanda and Granville.

PHAON F. DIEHL, a retired farmer and butcher, residing at Guthsville, was born in Lowhill September 15, 1838. His youth was spent upon the farm and for about five years he followed the carpenter trade. He lived at Lyons for eleven years, where he followed the butcher business. He conducted the Farmers' and Drovers' Hotel at Stony Point in Rockland township, Berks county, from 1878 to 1883. He then

moved to Lowhill, where he purchased a 74 acre farm, which he conducted until 1905, when he sold it to George Hardner. He then purchased the Frank Miller homestead at Girthsville, where he now resides. He believes in the principles of the Democratic party. He filled the office of school director in Lowhill township for six years. He is a member of the Reformed church at Morganland, which he served as elder. In 1860 he was married to Lizzie J. Seibert, of Lowhill. Issue: Frank L. B., of Allentown; Annie L., died in infancy; Charles J., of Guthsville, a taxidermist of note; Ida C., wife of Horace Kuhns, of Coplay, and George P., farmer, of South Whitehall.

Jonas Diehl was born Dec. 10, 1822. He was brought up on a farm and learned shoe-making which he followed in Upper Macungie and North Whitehall for upwards of forty years. In 1894 he purchased a farm of 52 acres in Lowhill and cultivated it until his decease. He died April 15, 1900. He was married to Deborah Freeman, a daughter of Michael of North Whitehall, born Nov. 23, 1822, and died Aug. 30, 1894. They had the following children: Benneville (m. Maria Hoffman), Benjamin (who enlisted in the Civil War as a volunteer from Lehigh Co. but was shot when only thirteen days in the service), Adam (m. Mary Shoemaker), Morgan (m. Amanda Levan), Menno (m. Catherine Fritz), Jeremiah W., Caroline (m. Ephraim Michael), and Sallie (m. George Knerr).

JEREMIAH M. DIEHL, farmer of Lowhill, was born in Upper Macungie Aug. 27, 1860, and there he was brought up on a farm until he became seventeen years of age when his parents removed to North Whitehall. He was then employed in the iron ore mines in the vicinity of Ironton for seventeen years. In 1894 he accompanied his father to the farm of 52 acres on the road from Weidasville to Schnecksville in Lowhill which he had then purchased; and he assisted his father in farming until the father died in 1900. Then the son became the owner and he has farmed it ever since. He served as road-master of Lowhill for one term, and also as a deacon of the Morganland Church.

In 1884 Mr. Diehl was married to Sarah Henry, daughter of Reuben Henry, a miner of North Whitehall. They had seven children: Sadie (m. Reuben Hill, at Catasauqua), John, Helen, Addie, Morgan, and two (Amanda and Minnie) who died in infancy. His wife's father, Reuben Henry, was married to Polly Handverk, a daughter of Henry, a farmer of Heidelberg township, and they had three children: George (m. Carrie Craig, who resides in Paulding Co.,

Ohio), Catharine (m. Thomas Mill), and Sarah (above).

#### TILGHMAN H. DIEHL.

Tilghman H. Diehl, late of Allentown, was born in Milford township, Bucks county, May 21, 1847, son of Samuel and Elizabeth Diehl.

The elder Diehl moved from Quakertown to Seidersville in Bucks county and from the latter place to Allentown in 1860 and opened up a general merchandise store in which his son Tilghman clerked for twelve months. When he was fourteen years old he entered the office of Rev. S. K. Brobst, there engaged in printing church publications. In 1872 having proved himself a valuable assistant he was admitted into the business, the firm operating under the name of S. K. Brobst & Co., were located at No. 814 Hamilton street. This connection lasted until 1876, when Mr. Brobst died. Mr. Diehl managed the affairs of the concern with the widow of his former partner for a year, when he found it to his advantage to go into business for himself. He at once purchased the interest of Mrs. Brobst in the establishment, and continued to act alone until Samuel A. Brobst, a son of Mrs. Brobst, became a member in 1877. In 1885, Mr. Diehl severed his connection and became engaged in publishing on his own account the "Lutheran Almanac," acknowledged as an authority in that church all over the country. It contained the names of all of the Lutheran clergy. He also published the "Jugend Freund" and the "Lutheran Herald and Zeitschrift" and other works.

He was active in Lutheran church work, having been a member of the executive committee of the Lutheran Synod of Pennsylvania, and was also a member of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy. For a number of terms Mr. Diehl was a delegate to the supreme body of the Lutheran Church in America.

After retiring from active business pursuits Mr. Diehl became agent for the American School Furniture Company, which position he filled at the time of his death on May 10, 1913, in his 66th year. Mr. Diehl was a good citizen. He was a scholar and stood firmly for advanced thought and the best interests of his community.

He wrote a pamphlet entitled "Life and Reminiscences of Rev. S. K. Brobst." He was a member of the Historical Society of Lehigh County.

He was married in 1873 to Rosina A., daughter of the late John R. Schall, who survives and to them were born three sons and one daughter, all of whom survive as follows: Edward S., chief clerk at the post office; John F.; Samuel, of Pen Argyl; and Miss M. Caroline Diehl, a trained



nurse. All the children except Samuel reside at Allentown. There also survive five grandchildren and one brother, Oliver Diehl, of Philadelphia, and a sister, Mrs. Henry Hornbeck, of Allentown.

Samuel Diehl, a native of Bucks county, Pa., was a school teacher in early life, and afterward he followed farming in connection with the cobbler trade until in 1860, when he removed to Allentown and was engaged in the mercantile business. He resided with his family on Linden street. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, while his wife, Elizabeth, *nee* Doll, was a member of the Reformed Church. They were married Nov. 23, 1845. She was born Nov. 5, 1824, and died on June 7, 1892. Her parents were Christian and Mary (Rosenberger) Doll. They had the following children: Tilghman H., whose record follows; Mahlon, born Oct. 30, 1848, died on May 21, 1892; Leanna, born March, 1851, married Henry J. Hornbeck; Milton, born Sept. 7, 1852, died March, 1853; and Dr. Oliver, born June 21, 1856, who is a practicing physician, in Philadelphia.

#### DIETRICH FAMILY.

In dem Grosse und Allemeines Wappenbuch, published by J. Siebmacher, at Nurnberg, p. 96, is of record the following account:

Kaiser Leopold I, on Oct. 15, 1700, elevated the Castle Hirschingen, belonging to JOHANN PETER DIETRICH and his two sons, FELIX ERNST and WILHELM EMANUEL, from the feudal service to the same amorial bearing as himself, a testimonial of merit, which in later days, as in many cases of like nature, was regarded as an evidence of the highest nobility.

The following history is a literal translation from the family Bible of Johann Elias Dietrich:

"I feel it incumbent on me to copy into this Holy Bible, some of the facts concerning our family, as I have them from my grandfather's note-book, Bible, and letters."

The first of our line, WILHELM EMANUEL DIETRICH,\* was born in the year of our Lord, 1680.

"Grandfather's note-book says that the above was a baron and that his father was of the highest nobility.

\* "The arms consist of an escutcheon, 'azure' (blue); in each corner of which is a star, 'or' (golden); in the middle of the escutcheon is a lozenge, 'gules' (red), the corners of the lozenge touching the borders of the escutcheon; in the lowest angle of the lozenge a tri-mount surmounted by a Spanish cross, 'argent' (silver).

"Ornaments: The escutcheon is surmounted by a helmet or casque, 'argent' (silver), overhung by leaves, on the right 'gules' and 'argent' (red and silver), on the left 'azure' and 'argent' (blue and silver), and with a crest into which are inserted five peacock feathers, 'verd' (green), the middle feather being inlaid with five stars, 'or' (gold)."

My grandfather's record in his own words follows:

The sons of Wilhelm were many, but the names of only five are recorded in the Bible, namely:

I. Casper Dietrich born in 1710.

II. Elias Dietrich born in 1713, on the 27 day of January.

III. Jacob Dietrich born in 1718.

IV. Johann Dietrich born in 1720.

V. Philip Dietrich born in 1725, on the 27 day of December.

[The last item was inserted at a later date.]

Casper Dietrich (I) born in 1710, married Anna Leitheiser, in the year of our Lord, 1730. Children: Johannes, Anna, Adam, Casper.

They all came to Amerika.

Elias Dietrich (II) born in 1713, married, in 1737, Sara \_\_\_\_\_ (name blurred). Children:

Johann Elias, born at Dresden, .....J — —, 1738  
George Hans, born at Dresden, .....Nov. 12, 1742  
Adam Lorentz, born at Dresden, ..... 1743

In the year of our Lord, 1743, Sara Dietrich died.

In the year of our Lord, 1744, Elias Dietrich did give into the hands of *Jacob*, his brother, and his wife Christina, his two sons, Johann and George; and on the same day he did give into the hands of *Casper*, his brother, and his wife Anna, his son Adam, and did go his way to Amerika on the ship Muscliffe Galley.<sup>1</sup>

In the year 1746, the 28 day of January, Elias Dietrich, married Anna Elizabeth Stroud.

In the year 1746, the 16 day of December, their daughter Elizabeth was born at Philadelphia.

In the year 1749, the 4 day of September, their son John Jacob was born.

In the year of our Lord, 1752, Christiana, wife of Jacob Dietrich died, and Jacob set sail with myself, and brother Georg, for Amerika,<sup>2</sup> with the money my father sent me.

In the year of our Lord, 1755, the 17 day of September, did my father Elias Dietrich, meet my brother, Adam Dietrich, at Philadelphia.

In the year 1778, on the 12 day of April, did I, and my son Johan, also enlist to go against the English, and as Jacob, my uncle always called me Elias, or young Elias, because I did most

<sup>1</sup> This ship arrived at Philadelphia, Dec. 22, 1744, and had among its passengers Elias Dietrich. Penna. Arch., Vol. XVII.

<sup>2</sup> Among the list of passengers on the ship Halifax, which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 22, 1752, were the names of Jacob, Georg Hans, and Johann Dietrich.—Penna. Arch., Vol. XVII.

strongly resemble my father, and also others did call me Elias, and my son was Johan, therefore did they enlist my name Elias Dietrick and my son Johan Dietrick, and though I did later protest it did so remain.

Jacob Dietrich (III), born in the year 1718, married Christina \_\_\_\_\_ in the year 1738, on the 12 day of May. No issue. She died, and in 1755 Jacob Dietrich married Rebecca Scholtenberger. Children:

Catharine, born in the year 1755.

Adam, born in the year 1757, 29 day of May.

Adam Dietrich, above named, in the year of our Lord, 1782, married Sara Dietrich, born in 1763, on the 18th day of September. Children: Johann Adam, born 1784, 23 day of November  
Georg \_\_\_\_\_ born 1790, 3 day of October

Johann Dietrich (IV), born in the year 1720, came to Amerika also, in the year 1739.<sup>3</sup> Johann Dietrich was married in the year of our Lord, 1740. Children:

Conrad,	born in the year	1741, 11 day	Feb.
Johann,	born in the year	1746, 12 day	July
Maria,	born in the year	1749, 26 day	April
Melchior,	born in the year	1753, 3 day	May
Ludwig,	born in the year	1756, 18 day	Jan.
Georg,	born in the year	1758, 29 day	July
Sarah,	born in the year	1759, 30 day	Nov.

Philip Dietrich (V), son of Wilhelm, was born in the year of our Lord, 1725, the 27 day of December. He married in 1748, Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_, born in 1726, died May 16, 1811. He did come to Amerika with his family in 1754.<sup>4</sup>

[He settled near Lancaster, Pa. There he owned a large and most fertile farm at the outskirts of the city, which was known as the "Wheatland Farm," and in later years was owned by President James Buchanan. The farm is said to be the finest in Lancaster county, Pa. Christina Dietrich, married to Major Jacob Schaeffer, received \$12,000 as her share of her father's inheritance through the sale of this farm. On this Dietrich homestead is a private graveyard upon which Philip Dietrich and wife, and a number of later generations are buried.]

Philip and Elizabeth Dietrich had the following children:

Name.	Born.	Died.
Jacob, .....	Aug. 17, 1750	
Magdalena, .....	May 30, 1753	
Maria, .....	April 26, 1755	
Elizabeth, .....	Aug. 15, 1759	Aug. 30, 1780
Philip, .....	Jan. 30, 1761	In infancy.
Michael, .....	Jan. 18, 1762	
Barbara, .....	Jan. 19, 1763	Sept. 7, 1846
Heinrich, .....	Feb. 10, 1765	
Christina, .....	Feb. 20, 1767	
Philip, .....	Oct. 31, 1769	

<sup>3</sup> Johann Dietrich is recorded as having emigrated to America on the ship Loyal Judith, which arrived at Philadelphia Sept. 3, 1739. Penna. Archives, Vol. XVII.

<sup>4</sup> Philip Dietrich is recorded as having emigrated to America on the ship Neptune, which arrived at Philadelphia Sept. 30, 1754. Penna. Archives, Vol. XVII.

Johann Elias Dietrich, son of Elias (II), born at Dresden, Germany, J\_\_\_\_\_, 1738, in the year of our Lord, 1759, married Magdalena Hart, born in 1741, 12 day of February: Children:

John, born 22 day November, 1760, died 1795.  
Magdalena

John Dietrich born in 1760, married Magdalena Snyder, 29 day of March, 1782.

Georg Hans Dietrich, son of Elias (II), born at Dresden, Germany, on the 12 day of November, 1742, married in 1761, the 12 day of March. Children:

John Jacob,	born 12 day of Jan.,	1762.
Sarah,	born 18 day of Sept.,	1763.
Elias,	born 13 day of Aug.,	1765.
Daniel,	born 22 day of June,	1767.

John Jacob Dietrich, above named, in the year of our Lord, 1783, the 20 day of January, married Anna Margaret Klotz. Children:

John,	born 6 day of June,	1784.
Anna,	born 20 day of Aug.,	1787.
Ludwig,	born 7 day of Feb.,	1790.

Adam Lorentz Dietrich, son of Elias (II), born at Dresden, Germany, in the year of our Lord, 1743, married in 1768, and had children:

Frederick,	born 23 day of Dec.,	1769.
Abraham,	born 1 day of June,	1771.
Jacob,	born	1772.

Frederick Dietrich, above named, in the year of our Lord, 1788, on the 2 day of March, married Catharine \_\_\_\_\_. Children:

John, born 3 day of Oct., 1789.

Johann Jacob Dietrich, son of Elias, born in 1749, on the 4 day of September, married in 1770, Maria Elizabetha Minier. Children:

Elizabetha,	born 8 day of April,	1772.
Elias,	born 6 day of Dec.,	1773.
Dina,	born _____,	1775.
Sara,	born 29 day of Dec.,	1777.
Johannes,	born 9 day of Jan.,	1782.
Jacob,	born 6 day of Feb.,	1784.
George,	born 17 day of June,	1786.
Abraham,	born 4 day of Sept.,	1788.
Adam,	born 22 day of Sept.,	1790.
Helen,	born 11 day of June,	1794.

Johannes Dietrich, son of Casper (I) came to America on the ship "Phoenix," which landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 25, 1751. It appears that soon after his arrival in this country he settled in Berks county, Pennsylvania. He married Barbara Braucher, of Albany township, Berks county. He died in 1785, and his widow, Barbara, was appointed administratrix of his estate. They had three children, all sons, as follows:



Johannes; Jacob, who is said to have settled in Schuylkill county, Pa.; and John Adam.

One Johannes Dietrich, probably son of Johannes, born Nov. 7, 1760, in Maiden creek township, Berks county, located in East Buffalo township, Union county, Pa. From there he enlisted in Col. Servant's regiment, Wayne's brigade, Pennsylvania Line, when eighteen years old, and returned at the expiration of his service, in 1781. One of the sons of Reuben Dietrich, now living in Greenwich township, recalls that his father visited his uncle (Johannes) in Union county, making the journey on horseback, and that the visits were returned.

John Adam Dietrich, son of Johannes, the emigrant, was born Nov. 23, 1784, in Greenwich township, and died on his farm July 23, 1864. He was baptized Dec. 12, 1784, by Rev. Heinrich Hartzel, in Greenwich township, and the certificate states that his sponsors were his uncle Adam and his wife, Maria Barbara Dietrich.

In 1803, John Adam Dietrich married Susanna Arnold, born Feb. 5, 1783, died Oct. 6, 1869, and both are buried immediately back of the Lenhartsville Church, of which they were prominent members. They were pious people, good, though strict parents, and "Mother" Dietrich was an excellent housekeeper, noted especially for baking the good old-fashioned bread. She had few equals as a breadmaker, and her rye bread was the best that could be made. Visitors were always treated to butter-bread and honey. Most farmers in those days had from five to twenty-five beehives, and there was always plenty of honey. "Father" Dietrich was equally noted in his way. He began farming near Dreibelbis Station, and owned the tract now owned by a Stettler, from there moving to the farm which his youngest son, Reuben A., came to own after his death. It is now the property of Reuben's son, Thomas K., who is the fourth generation to own and live upon this land.

John Adam Dietrich was a carpenter by trade, and did such excellent work that he was known as one of the best wood-workers of his day. He built the present barn on the place in 1836, and the house in 1844. The house is of stone, and as only the best stones were used, and the masons of that day knew their work well, the walls are very substantially made, as well as workmanlike. The woodwork in the house shows the same care and skill, and was done for the most part by "Father" Dietrich himself. The last will and testament of this man is a model of its kind and shows that the spirit of a pure heart actuated his deeds. It was made a few years before his death, and is on record in Will Book II, page 333, in the court house at Reading, Pa. The old family

Bible is well preserved, and is now owned by his grandson, Henry K. Dietrich's estate.

John Adam Dietrich and his wife had fourteen children, of whom we have the following record:

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Born.</i>	<i>Died.</i>
Maria, .....	Dec. 29, 1803	
Rebecca, .....	Oct. 11, 1805	
Jacob, .....	June 27, 1807	
Isaac, .....	Mar. 30, 1809	July 22, 1822
Elizabeth, .....	Oct. 25, 1810	
Annie, .....	Oct. 25, 1812	
Gideon, .....	Mar. 30, 1814	
Adam, .....	Oct. 17, 1815	April 16, 1826
Moses, .....	Oct. 22, 1817	
Rufena, .....	Nov. 20, 1819	Nov. 28, 1848
Catharine, .....	Dec. 15, 1821	
Reuben, .....	Oct. 20, 1823	

It will be noticed that six members of this family were born in the month of October. Isaac, Adam and Rufena are buried at Dunkel's church.

All the children of John Adam Dietrich remained in the locality where they were born, namely Greenwich and Albany townships.

Reuben A. Dietrich, youngest son of John Adam and Susanna (Arnold) Dietrich, was born in Greenwich township, Oct. 20, 1823, on his father's homestead near Klinesville, and died July 31, 1889. He was a life-long farmer, succeeding his father on the home place, which now consists of 155 acres of valuable land. He was prosperous, and added seventy acres to this tract, but this extra land was sold off again after his death. Mr. Dietrich was originally a member of the Dunkel Church, but in 1854, when the Lenhartsville Church was organized, he became one of its members, and he was an official of that church until his death. He married Catharine Kunkel, born in 1834. Children: Alfred K., is mentioned below; Lewis K. is mentioned below; Ellen, deceased, was the wife of Alfred Greenawalt, of Bernville; Henry K., deceased, born in 1860, was a farmer near Lenhartsville, and was the vice-president of the Dietrich Family Association. He married in 1883, Mary Seidel, and they had children: Robert, Lizzie, Edgar, Flora, Nora, Harvey, and Annie, of whom Lizzie, a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School, is engaged in teaching; Florenda, married George Kutz; Thomas K. owns and farms the homestead; he married Ida Komp, who died June 17, 1907, and has a son, Ira; Charles and James both died in childhood. The burial ground of this family is at Lenhartsville. Mrs. Catharine (Kunkel) Dietrich now makes her home with her son, Thomas, on the old homestead.

Alfred K. Dietrich was reared to farming, and when twenty-one years old, he learned milling from Solomon P. Dietrich, who then operated what has been known for many years as "Dietrich mill." The spring after his marriage Mr. Dietrich engaged in the business for himself at

"Dietrich's Mill," which he bought about 1889, and which he conducted in all for almost thirty years—from 1877 until two years before his death. This mill is located in the Stony Run dale in Albany township. The first mill at this site was built by a Grim, in 1750, and the present stone mill is at least the second, probably the third, mill at this place. On a stone in the wall of the south gable are the dates 1750 and 1795, the latter being probably the date of the building of the second mill or the repairing of the first one. To the mill property belongs a fine farm of ninety-five acres, lying in the potato belt of this section. Mr. Dietrich raised many potatoes, planting twenty acres every year. This property is a valuable one, the buildings being very substantial. The large Swiss barn was erected by Alfred K. Dietrich in 1891. He owned also the old Wiesner homestead in Stony Run dale, a farm of 122 acres, which he bought in 1898, and which is now tenanted by his son, Irwin C., who is an enterprising young farmer, and extensively engaged in potato planting. On this farm stands a stone house which was built in 1796, and which originally belonged to Samuel Miller. On a stone in the west gable of this house is the following:

S B & H M  
P E & H M  
1796

On Jan. 21, 1877, Mr. Dietrich married Louisa Merkel, daughter of William D. Merkel, of Windsor, and to them were born five children, as follows: Irwin C., Anson W., Mary V., married Elton J. Trexler, of Albany Pa., and has a son, Clinton M.; Howard W.; and Agnes C. Mr. Dietrich and family belonged to the Wessnersville (Friedens) Church, all being members of the Lutheran congregation there, of which Mr. Dietrich served as deacon. He was the third person buried in the new cemetery of that church. In politics he was a Democrat.

Levi K. Dietrich was a farmer of Lynn township for upwards of thirty years. He was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, Sept. 13, 1855, where he was educated and brought up on a farm, and he was there engaged at farming until 1879, when he purchased a farm of 76 acres in Lynn township, near Lynntown, in Lehigh county, which he carried on in a successful manner until he died on Sunday, Dec. 14, 1913, aged 58 years. He has served his district as a school director, supervisor, and judge of elections; and he was a member of Jerusalem's Lutheran church, in Albany township, which he had served as deacon and trustee. In politics he had been a Democrat.

In 1877, Mr. Dietrich married Emma E. Christ, a daughter of Jacob, of Greenwich township, by whom he had a son, Valorous K., who is engaged in the jewelry business at Kempton, in Berks county. After the death of the first Mrs. Dietrich, he married (second) in 1892, M. Alice Howerter, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Kistler) Howerter. Mrs. Dietrich's maternal grandparents were Nathan and Catharine (Dietrich) Kistler. They had eight children, namely: Robert F., who died young; William H.; Lizzie K.; Edgar H.; and Norman H.; and three who died in infancy.

(I) Adam Dietrich, the second son of Casper (I) son of Wilhelm Ernst, son of Johan Peter, was born in Germany, Oct. 28, 1740, was reared to agricultural pursuits in his native country, where he also learned the trade of weaver. In 1751 his elder brother, Johannes Dietrich, emigrated to America, and settled in Greenwich township, Berks county, Pa. He was followed to this country by Adam and another brother, Casper, in 1767. The two brothers crossed the Atlantic in the ship "Britannia," which landed at Philadelphia Oct. 26, 1767.

Adam Dietrich had first located in Lowhill township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county. A warrant for 80 acres of land located in Northampton county was deeded to him Feb. 15, 1767, possibly through his brother, Johannes, who had doubtless been located in the same locality. In 1769, less than two years after his emigration to this country, their daughter, Maria Barbara, born June 17, 1769, was baptized at the Heidelberg church, on June 18th, the day following her birth. Her sponsors were Johannes Dietrich and Maria Barbara Kindt. Anna Christina, another daughter, was born April 25, 1771, and was baptized on May 5th of the same year, also at the Heidelberg church. In 1772, Adam Dietrich paid a proprietary tax of \$26.96, in Northampton county. In 1779 he was a resident of Greenwich township, Berks county, Pa., and was assessed with 4 horses and 3 cows, and owned 130 acres of land. In 1780-81-82-83 he was assessed with 130 acres in Greenwich township; and in 1779-80-81-82-83-84-85, he was also assessed in Maxatawny township. He is said to have conducted an inn, located a quarter of a mile northeast of Topton, Pa., for some years, in connection with farming in Greenwich township. On Feb. 15, 1787, he obtained a warrant for 60 acres located in Greenwich township. In 1785 he bought several lots of ground on White Oak street, Kutztown, from George Kutz. In 1793, he purchased more land in Kutztown from Samuel Schoedler. On Nov. 30, 1809, he was granted a warrant for 200 acres



located in Greenwich township, and this tract he sold to his youngest son, Christian, on June 3, 1812, for \$2,796.

Adam Dietrich was a patriot in the Revolutionary army, and espoused the cause of freedom in active service. The secretary of the Dietrich Family Association has certified records that Adam Dietrich was a sergeant in 1781, in Capt. Jacob Baldy's company, under Lieut. Col. Joseph Hiester, of Berks county.

This ancestor was married in 1764 to Maria Barbara Steinbruch, daughter of Jacob Steinbruch, born March 13, 1741, died on the home-

stead in Greenwich township, June 6, 1821, aged 80 years, 2 months and 24 days. He died in Greenwich township, March 21, 1817, aged 76 years, 4 months and 3 days. Adam Dietrich and his good wife were devoted Lutherans, and members of the Moselem Church (which was established in 1742) of which he was an official, and they are buried in the graveyard adjoining the church. Unto them were born thirteen children, the two oldest, Adam and Georg, were born in Germany, and as small children were brought by their parents to this country. The names of the children follow.

Name.	Born.	Died.	AGE.		
			Yrs.	Mos.	D.
1. Johann Adam, .....	Dec. 11, 1765	Aug. 19, 1823	57	8	8
2. Johann Georg, .....	May 7, 1767	Nov. 4, 1845	78	5	27
3. Maria Barbara, .....	June 17, 1769	—, 1833	64	—	—
4. Anna Christina, .....	Apr. 25, 1771	—, —	—	—	—
5. Johann Jacob, .....	June 25, 1773	Sept. 1, 1857	84	2	6
6. Johann Michael, .....	Apr. 6, 1775	June 19, 1861	86	2	13
7. Johann Heinrich, .....	—, 1777	—, 1857	80	—	—
8. Johann, .....	Jan. 7, 1779	July 28, 1830	51	6	21
9. Maria Catharine, .....	—, 1781	m. Rev. Johann Michael Schmidt.	—	—	—
10. Johann Christian, .....	Jan. 13, 1781	Nov. 21, 1873	90	10	8
11. Maria Magdalena, .....	—, 1785	m. —, Becker.	—	—	—
12. Anna Margaret, .....	Jan. —, 1787	July 14, 1838	51	6	—
13. Maria Elizabeth, .....	—, —	m. —, Gerber, Schuylkill Co.	—	—	—

(II) Johann Adam Dietrich, oldest son of Adam, the emigrant, was born Dec. 11, 1765, in Germany, and when a mere child came with his parents to Pennsylvania. He grew up on the farm, and when twenty-one years old, in 1788, married Catharine Christ, born 1767, who died in Greenwich in 1837, aged sixty-nine years. He lived in Greenwich township for some years, and then owned a farm on which he lived in the Stony Run, in Albany township. Here he died suddenly of apoplexy, Aug. 19, 1823, aged fifty-seven years, eight months, eight days. He and his wife are buried at Grimville. His three children were: Johannes, born Feb. 26, 1795, died April 1, 1872; George, died in infancy; Mary, (1803-1883) m. Jacob Wessner.

(III) Johannes Dietrich (1795-1872), son of Johann Adam, lived in the Stony Run, on the homestead which latterly was owned by his son, John, who was over six feet tall and very strong. Johannes Dietrich kept many bees, and was very successful in raising them. Visitors to his family were treated to an abundance of honey, which he had the year around. His sons and grandsons inherited from him the knowledge of bees.

In 1823 he married Catharine Kunkel, born in Albany June 8, 1800, died Sept. 22, 1880, aged eighty years, three months, fourteen days. They had the following eight children: Polly, married Daniel Fenstermacher; Rebecca (1824-1891), married Johannes Schlenker; Daniel, married Catharyn Dietrich; Anna, married Samuel Miller; Maria C., married William S. Mosser; John H., married Polly Leiby, no issue; one died young; David (1840-1852).

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(IV) Daniel Dietrich, son of Johannes, was born in Albany on the homestead in Stony Run, where all his brothers and sisters were also born. He died on his farm at the top of Stony Run hill, Oct. 5, 1901, aged seventy years, seven months, eighteen days. He was a life-long farmer, and also raised bees. He was an honest and kind-hearted man, tall, strong, and a little stoop-shouldered, and wore a heavy beard. He and his family were Lutherans and are buried at Grimville. His wife, Catharyn Dietrich, a daughter of Michael Dietrich, died Oct. 10, 1895, in her sixty-sixth year. They had these seven children: Levi D., married Mary Dietrich; Catharyn, married Augustus Dietrich (they have Newton E. and Walter L.); Daniel, married Emma Reinhart; Ellen, married Jacob George; Sarah, married Mr. Baer; Charles A., married Louisa Kutz; Mary A., married Nathan Zimmerman.

(II) Johann Georg Dietrich, the second son of Adam, came with his parents to America. He was born May 7, 1767, and lived for many years in Greenwich township, near Dunkel's church, of which he was a Lutheran member. In 1809, his name appears on the church record as an official. He died Nov. 4, 1845, aged seventy-eight years, five months, twenty-seven days. He and his wife, Elizabeth Brunner (1773-1850), are buried there. Their eight children were: (1) Johannes, born 1793, died 1872, married Maria Moyer (1793-1861), and had children: Polly, Hannah, Jeremiah, Hettie and Lucinda. Polly and Hettie lived on the farm, the former past ninety years old, and the latter

nearly ninety. (2) Katie (1796-1870), married Jacob Stoyer, and had eight children. (3) Beckie (1798) married Benjamin Hummel, of Greenwich, and had three children. (4) Maria Magdalena (1801-1880), married John Komp, and had four children. (5) George B., born 1805, died 1878, was of Greenwich. He married Polly Riegelman, and had children: Fennias, Jonas, Katie, Lewis, and Helena. (6) Daniel, born Nov. 12, 1809, died Jan. 18, 1842. (7) Ann, married Benjamin Riegelman, of Greenwich township, and had two children. (8) Lucinda, married Jacob Leshner, of near Tipton, Pa., and had six children.

(III) Daniel Dietrich, son of Johann Georg, was born Nov. 12, 1809, and died Jan. 18, 1842, aged thirty-two years, two months, six days; he was buried at Dunkel's church. He was a farmer in Greenwich township. On Oct. 17, 1830, he married Catharine Leshner (1812-1844), and they had five sons and one daughter, namely: (1) Benjamin, married and had children: John, Mary, Ella, Rachel, and James D. The last named was the father of Prof. A. M. Dietrich, of Reading. (2) Samuel lived at Lewisburg, Union county, where he died. He had two children: Frank and Laura. (3) Daniel, died at Mifflinburg, Pa., at the age of fifty-four. He had three children: Charles, George and Irwin. (4) Joel L., born June 6, 1837. (5) Isaac, is buried at Hamburg. His son, Irwin, lives at Schuylkill Haven, Pa. (6) A daughter.

(IV) Joel L. Dietrich, son of Daniel, born June 6, 1837, in Greenwich township, was reared to farming. In his young manhood he went to live with his uncle, Solomon Leshner, who was a farmer in Upper Tulpehocken township. There he lived some years, and was married to Catharine Unger, daughter of David Unger, of that township. Mr. Dietrich worked at carpentering for some years, and then engaged again in farming. He owned a farm of over one hundred acres in Jefferson township, near Bernville, and this he cultivated some years. He also owned a smaller tract adjacent. In 1905 he sold his land and retired, moving into Strausstown, where he makes his home at the present time. He is highly respected, and for many years was active in the Zion's Blue Mountain church. To him and his good wife were born twelve children, as follows: (1) Franklin P., born April 2, 1860. (2) George B., of Reading, married Valeria Groff, and has one daughter, Mary. (3) Milton C., of Reading, married, in 1890, Ida Fox, and their children are: Robert F., Ida S., John J., and Annie C. (4) William A., born Feb. 24, 1866, died Sept. 6, 1903. (5) Mary, married, in 1888, Charles Christman, and has four sons and four

daughters. (6) Katie, married, in 1892, William Kenney, and has one son and four daughters. (7) Amelia, married, in 1889, Calvin Himmelberger, and has three sons and one daughter. (8) Lizzie, married, in 1892, Levi Christman, brother of Charles, and has a daughter, Ella. (9) Fietta, married, in 1892, Moses Ebling, and they have four sons and one daughter. (10) Charles (1863-1884). (11) Isaac, of Rehrersburg, married Lizzie Gehart. (12) John, a music teacher and organist and chorister of the Rehrersburg Lutheran church, married Lillian Bright, and has a son, Charles.

(II) Johann Jacob Dietrich, third son of Adam, the emigrant, was born in Berks county, June 25, 1773, and he died on his farm in Albany township, whither he had moved in 1817, Jan. 1, 1857. He was an official member of the Lutheran congregation of the Union church at Lenhartsville, and is buried in the cemetery there. He was an extensive landowner. In about 1817 he settled at "Spitzenburg," in Albany township, where he successfully conducted a tannery and hotel for many years. On Jan. 30, 1829, he purchased seventeen acres and three rods from Jacob Trautman, a neighbor in Albany township. On Dec. 22, 1829, he obtained a grant from the Commonwealth, for sixteen acres, twenty-six perches, for \$33.78. This tract was lying adjacent to his other land. He also purchased a tract from John Stoudt, a neighbor, for £3,100. From the Christian Henry estate (to whom it had been ceded by the Commonwealth) he obtained 194 acres, 84 perches, in Albany, and adjoining his other land. He owned about 500 acres of land in the southern end of Albany township, around the south and west base of Spitzenburg, part of this land lying across the Albany line into Greenwich township, and he was known as "Spitzenburger Jake Dietrich." This land is now divided into three large farms: The 148-acre farm owned by Jacob H. Dietrich (son of Samuel P. and grandson of Johann Jacob); the Nathan Stump farm (on which Johann Jacob Dietrich built the present barn in 1837); and the Simon Bautsch farm. The last named tract was the homestead farm of Mr. Dietrich, and on it is a one and one-half story stone house, which was erected in about 1760 by the Henry family, the original owners. This had no cellar, and was used as a church many years ago, and also as a schoolhouse, one Karl Cook being the teacher. In a corner in the wall was an arch, in which the Holy Bible was kept. In the above house, Mr. Dietrich kept a very popular hotel, known as "Dietrich's Hotel," for many years. Battalion days were held annually in an open field at the Spitzenburg, and on this day the



militia met and drilled in all the spendor they could muster. Each company tried to exhibit the best discipline. Dietrich's battalion was always largely attended, and was a very joyful occasion, the ladies in their bright attire adding to the brilliance of the scene. The day, however, usually wound up somewhat disastrously, as the disputes regarding the relative merits of those participating in the day's work were frequently settled by blows. Mr. Dietrich was also a distiller, and burned considerable apple-jack, the ruins of his old distillery still being visible in the meadow facing the house. He sold a "smaller," a drink of apple-jack, for two cents. He was a man of no little prominence and influence in his district, and while of mild disposition, and a kind heart, he was unbending in his convictions, and was very strict in the discipline of his children. He was smooth shaven, had black hair and good white teeth, and though small in stature was possessed of great strength.

In 1806 Johann Jacob Dietrich married Christina Peiffer (1786-1861), and they became the parents of eleven children, namely: (1) Daniel, born 1808, died 1872, married Anna Christman. (2) Samuel, born 1810, died 1898, married Sarah Heinly. (3) Henry, born 1812, married Anna Kline. (4) Jacob P., married Leah Greenawald. (5) Gideon P., born 1815, died 1898, married Susan Moser. (6) Solomon P., born 1817, died 1901, married Anna Hein. He was a well known miller of Albany township. (7) Polly, born 1819, died 1900, married Charles Greenawald. (8) Sally, married Peter Kline. (9) Moses P., born 1824, died 1906, married Anna Dreibelbis, owned and conducted a grist mill on the Ontelaunee at Lenhartsville for many years. (10) Charles P., born Nov. 11, 1826, formerly a well known citizen of Albany township, who now lives at Reading, married Kate Smith. (11) Caroline, born 1830, married Peter Krause, of Klinesville. He died in the ninetyeth year of his age, in 1909. She died shortly afterward.

(III) Daniel Dietrich, eldest son of Johann Jacob, was born in Albany township, July 27, 1808, and died of smallpox at Reading, Aug. 30, 1872. He was first engaged in farming immediately west of the borough of Kutztown, from there moving to Oley township, where he was engaged in farming for many years. On retiring from agricultural work, he moved to Reading, and there for ten years conducted a dairy, meeting with great success. In 1833 he married Anna Christman, born May 6, 1814, daughter of Peter Christman. She died Oct. 24, 1883. Both Daniel Dietrich and his wife are buried in the Charles Evans cemetery. They had a family of thirteen

sons, and we have record of the following: (1) James M., born Aug. 11, 1834, died in Nebraska, Feb. 5, 1901, married Sarah Neiferd, of Iowa, and had seven children: Franklin, Daniel, John, Charles, Rebecca, Mary, and Amelia, and fourteen grandchildren. (2) Daniel P. (3) Charles C., born Oct. 20, 1837, lives at No. 923 Elm street, Reading. He married Sophia Gehret, who has been an invalid since 1898, and they have four children: Mary Ann; Cyrus (1862-1891); Alice; and Amanda. (4) Penrose, born 1838, married Wilhelmina Mary Buchanan, from the West, and has children: Anna Mary, William F., Edward C., Franklin A., Carrie M., Albert A., and Elmer J. (5) Alfred, married Beckie Fisher, and lives at No. 110 North Tenth street, Reading. No issue. (6) Francis F., born Jan. 6, 1841, married in 1872, Amanda Jane Zumbun, of the West, and they live in Nebraska. Their children are: Alvin M., Truman O., Mary A., Emma M., Fianna S., George F., Valetta J., and Lloyd J. (7) Thomas T., born Feb. 29, 1848, married, and with his son, Fred W., lives in the West. (8) Alvin, of Yellow House, Berks county, married Catharine Miller, and has children: Oscar M., Alvin M., Elmer M., Bertha, Anna, Kathryn, and Mary. He also has four grandchildren. (9) Cyrus, died young. (10) Jacob, born 1850, died 1897, was unmarried. His remains rest in the Charles Evans cemetery at Reading.

(IV) Daniel P. Dietrich, the second oldest son of Daniel, was born in Albany township, June 12, 1836. He was educated in the schools of Albany and Greenwich townships, and when fourteen years of age was sent to Columbia county by his father to obtain an English education. While at this place he made his home with his uncle, Gideon Dietrich, and he attended school until eighteen years of age. He remained with his uncle eight years. At the age of twenty-two years he went to Montour county, and there in Derry township worked on a farm. In 1859 and 1860 he operated a farm for his father-in-law, Leonard Raub, and he later became foreman for a large lumber company in Cameron county, Pa., remaining there four years. He again worked at farming, following this occupation for ten years, when he removed to Richardson county, Neb., where he worked on a farm for three years. He then purchased a farm which he operated for nine years, and then bought 440 acres in Buffalo county, Neb., and 360 acres in Phillips county, Kan. These large farms he operated successfully for sixteen years, selling them at a very large profit. He understood the nature of the western soil, and raised very large crops. He also engaged in stock raising, meeting with great suc-

cess. He purchased his land at several dollars an acre, and commenced raising alfalfa, which greatly enhanced the value of the land, and his real estate speculations always were profitable. During the winter of 1898-99 Mr. Dietrich came East, and, becoming ill, decided to remain in the region of his nativity. Until the spring of 1907 he resided on South Third street, in Hamburg, and he then located in Reading, where he purchased a fine home at No. 1019 Franklin street, where he died in 1911. Mr. Dietrich has been twice married. In 1859 he married Catharine Raub, daughter of Leonard Raub, and to this union were born children as follows: Sarah, died aged twenty-two years; William L., lives at Sweetwater, Buffalo county, Neb.; Lucinda C., died in her fourth year; Emma R., married Wellington Moser, a native of Columbia county, and they now live at Turbotville, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania.

In 1900 Mr. Dietrich married (second) Lizzie Hoff, of Hamburg, daughter of John and Ellen (Gehris) Hoff, of Reading.

(II) Johann Michael Dietrich, the sixth child of Adam, the emigrant, was born April 6, 1775, and died near Klinesville, on his large farm in Greenwich township, now owned by Daniel J. Fraunfelder, June 19, 1861, aged eighty-six years, two months, thirteen days. He married Sophia Brunner, born in Greenwich, Nov. 8, 1779, died Sept. 23, 1863, aged eighty-three years, ten months, fifteen days. They are buried beside each other in the graveyard at Lenhartsville. They were devout Lutherans, and he was a foremost member of the Lenhartsville church, serving the congregation faithfully as an official many years. He helped to build the church in 1856 and gave liberally towards its erection. Michael Dietrich, as he was known, began farming on a large tract located midway between Lenhartsville and Virginville, on the Ontelaunee. This farm is now owned by a Luckenbill. On April 14, 1814, he bought a 156-acre tract from George and Eva Heinly, located in Greenwich, one mile east of Klinesville. Here he built a big stone house and greatly improved the land. On Aug. 15, 1853, he sold this farm to his son, Michael, for \$3,600. Michael Dietrich and wife remained on this farm until they died. Some of their children were born at this place.

After the father's death, Michael Dietrich, Jr., lived on the farm, and on April 17, 1867, sold it to his son, Eli, for \$6,660. Eli Dietrich, in 1882, traded the farm to Henry Fraunfelder, for a 117-acre farm in Maxatawny, located to the right of the main road leading from Eagle Point to Kutztown. Here Eli has since lived and pros-

pered. The "Dietrich Farm," near Klinesville, as it is still known locally, is one of the best farms in the township, and is bounded by lands of other Dietrichs.

Sophia Brunner, wife of Johann Michael Dietrich, was a devout Christian. She read her Bible daily and taught her children the love of the Master. She liked to collect relics, and had many old dishes, coins, etc. The children of Michael and Sophia Dietrich were as follows: (1) Maria Barbara (Polly), born Jan. 2, 1799, died June 11, 1877, married Christian Braucher. (2) Michael, born May 12, 1801, died July 14, 1880, married Hannah Will. They had these children: Catharyn, Mary, Willoughby, Caroline, Benneville, Abby, Anna Caroline, and Eli. (3) Daniel is mentioned later. (4) Lydia, (1805-1863), married Daniel Stump. (5) Betsy, married John Kistler. (6) Hannah (1808-1886), married Samuel Kunkel. (7) Sallie (1810-1895), married Jonas Weisner. (8) Catharine, married Nathan Kistler. (9) Heinrich ("Harry").

(IV) Benneville Dietrich was born in Greenwich township, June 15, 1836, son of (III) Michael, Jr., son of (II) Johann Michael, son of (I) Adam, the emigrant. He was reared to farm life in his native township. In 1868 he came to Albany township, where he purchased the farm of ninety-five acres on Pine creek, now owned by Mrs. Braucher. This farm he cultivated some twenty-four years, operating at the same time a saw-mill. Benneville Dietrich was a veteran of the Civil War, going forth to do battle under the flag in Company K, 179th Pa. V. I. With his family he belonged to New Bethel Lutheran and Reformed (Corner) church. He is described as of sturdy build, and wore his red beard long and flowing. He married Matilda, daughter of Christian Braucher. Mrs. Dietrich was born March 22, 1835, and died Feb. 13, 1907, aged seventy-one years, eleven months, twenty-two days. To her were born six children, noted as follows: Mary, married Clayton Smith, of Sellersville, Pa.; William L., of Sittlers, Schuylkill county, married Emma Smith, who died in 1907, the mother of Jennie, Mamie, Annie and Sallie (twins), Irene, and Frank; Daniel O., of Watkins, N. Y., married Esther Robinson, and they have Samuel, Oliver and Clayton; Charles W.; Sarah Jane, born 1871, died when less than a year old; Jonathan F., a blacksmith at Tamaqua, Pa., married Clara Ely (no issue). The father of this family died July 26, 1887, at the comparatively early age of fifty-one years.

(V) Charles W. Dietrich was born March 22, 1868, in Albany township, and died there in the fall of 1909. He passed his life to the time of his majority on the home farm, acquiring such



education as the country schools afforded. Upon attaining his majority, he served the farmers about the neighborhood for five years, and then took up residence on his present farm in 1894. The farm had been owned by his father-in-law, David S. Kamp, and consists of seventy-nine acres, twenty-nine of which is woodland. To this Mr. Dietrich has added a tract of 136 acres of wooded land adjacent. One of the particularly strong points of this farm is the excellent and abundant water supply. Mr. Dietrich built a barn in 1889, and in 1896 a substantial frame farm house. These, together with other minor improvements, have greatly increased the value of the farm. General farming is carried on by Mr. Dietrich and with a success which always attends earnest and persistent agricultural effort in Berks county. He is an influential member of the Democratic party in his locality, and has at different times served as delegate to county conventions. He is now serving as registry assessor of the district, having been elected at the spring election of 1909. In a social way he affiliates with Washington Camp, No. 288, P. O. S. of A., at Steinsville; and the independent Order of Americans, Lodge No. 544, at Kempton. He and his family are members of the New Bethel (Corner) church, which Mr. Dietrich has served three terms as deacon.

Mr. Dietrich married, Oct. 10, 1891, Amanda E. Kamp, only child of David S. and Fianna (Berk) Kamp, of Albany township. Their children are: Ida N., who graduated from the public schools of Albany at the age of twelve; Oscar J.; Mabel F.; and Edna M.

(III) Daniel Dietrich, son of Johann Michael, was born in Greenwich township, one mile northeast of Klinesville, Jan. 2, 1803, and died March 22, 1884. He and his wife are buried in the cemetery at the United Brethren church in Tilden township. He was educated in the pay schools of his native township, and was trained to farming, remaining at home until his marriage, in 1828, after which he located in Albany township, on a farm belonging to his father. There he lived for three years. In 1834 he located in Bern (now Centre) township, where he purchased a farm of 121 acres from the Kauffmans. This was extremely fertile land, and was located along Irish creek, about two miles west of Centreport, and the cultivation of this farm engrossed his attention until his death. In politics he was a Democrat, and he was a man of high repute and of great influence in his district. In his earlier life he was a Lutheran member of Belleman's church, serving as an official, but later he became active in Salem United Brethren church of Tilden township. He was liberal in his contributions

toward religious and charitable objects. At the time of his death his estate was valued at \$32,000.

In 1828 Mr. Dietrich married Salome Fisher, born Sept. 29, 1808,, daughter of Philip and — (Weaver) Fisher, of Windsor township, and she died July 10, 1878. They had children, as follows: Levi F. is mentioned below; Daniel F. is mentioned below; Henry died, aged sixteen years; Samuel, died unmarried; Eliza, married Isaac Rhoads and lives at Shoemakersville.

(IV) Levi F. Dietrich, son of Daniel and Salome, was born in Windsor township, July 23, 1832, and was educated in the common schools of his district, and at White Hall Academy, in Cumberland county, Pa. He taught school in Centre township three terms. In 1855 he became a practical farmer, and has attained considerable success in that line. His home farm consists of 165 acres of the best land in the township (Centre) and is kept in excellent condition; the buildings and general condition of the farm and live stock could not be improved upon. He also owns a farm of 103 acres elsewhere in the township, and this he has rented. About 1897 he sold a half interest in the old Centre township Dietrich homestead to his brother, Daniel F. Mr. Dietrich has ever been prominently identified with the progressive movements of the district. He is a Democrat in politics, and has served as school director seven years and as assessor nine years. In 1884 he was elected prothonotary of Berks county, serving most efficiently from Jan. 1, 1885, until Jan. 1, 1888. He and his family are faithful members of Belleman's Lutheran church, where Mr. Dietrich has served as a deacon for many years. On Nov. 10, 1854, he married Louisa Moser, and they have ten children: (1) Henrietta, married George B. Miller, of Hamburg, who for seven years was a leader in the Democratic party, and who for three years was register of wills. (2) Salome, married William E. Gruber, a carriage manufacturer of Mt. Pleasant, Berks county. (3) Howard M., lives at Bernville. (4) Valeria, married James H. Hollenbach, cabinet-maker and undertaker at Bernville. (5) Emma, married Jeremiah Heckman, hosiery manufacturer at Shoemakersville. (6) Levi H., is a prosperous farmer in Centre township. (7) Nelson C., lives in Centre township. (8) Wilson P., lives in Centre township. (9) Irwin R., resides in Philadelphia. (10) Horace, is a farmer in Centre township.

(IV) Daniel F. Dietrich, son of Daniel and Salome, was born Sept. 6, 1834, and is now a prominent citizen of Reading. He attended pay schools four winters and then the public schools of his district, later for three months a boarding-school at Amityville, and lastly the Freeland Seminary, at the Trappe, in Montgomery county.

Until he was twenty-four years of age he assisted his father on the home farm. At that time he was married and began for himself on one of his father's farms in Centre township, where he remained four years, and then moved to a farm in Exeter township, near Jacksonwald, belonging to his father-in-law. For one year he lived there as a tenant and then purchased the farm, cultivating it four years. In 1868 he moved to Reading, where the previous year (Nov. 7, 1867) he had bought out the mercantile firm of Leinbach & Brother, then located at No. 325 Penn street. Mr. Dietrich formed a partnership with Peter A. Althouse, under the firm name of Dietrich & Althouse, general merchants and merchant tailors, and this lasted eighteen months, when Elijah Ammon took the place of Mr. Althouse, and for twelve years the firm of Dietrich & Ammon had one of the largest and best known stores in the city and county. Mr. Dietrich continued the extensive business alone from 1882 until his retirement in 1902, when he was succeeded by his eldest son, Elmer W. The Dietrich store at No. 325 Penn has been a well-known stand since 1868.

Mr. Dietrich is a director and large stockholder of the Reading Real Estate Exchange, with offices at No. 612 Washington street. Before he became a member of the real estate company he built nineteen houses in the city. He owns the Dietrich farm of 160 acres in Centre township. Since 1864 he has been the owner of the farm on which he formerly lived in Exeter township. He has made his residence since 1868 at No. 203 South Fourth street. While engaged in farming he took a fancy to fine horses and cattle, his herd of Holsteins being the finest in the county.

In politics Mr. Dietrich is a Democrat. While living in Exeter township he served as school director. In 1897 he was a candidate for register of wills, and had ninety-seven delegates in the convention. In 1888 he was a delegate to the state convention, and at the same time his brother was a delegate to the same convention from the country. He and his family are faithful members of the First Reformed church in Reading, and he has served for more than a quarter of a century as elder. He is prominent in the Classis of the Reformed Church of Eastern Pennsylvania, serving frequently as a delegate and in various other important capacities.

On Nov. 6, 1858, Mr. Dietrich married Catherine A. Althouse, daughter of Henry and Mary (Kissinger) Althouse, of Bern township. They had children: (1) Clara A., married William A. Heilig, of Cleveland, Ohio. (2) Ida, married Joseph W. Holmes, a coal merchant at Reading.

(3) Irvin, died in infancy. (4) Elmer W., succeeded his father in business; he married Laura Ermentrout. (5) D. Wellington, is unmarried and is president of the Seaboard Milling Company, West Reading. (6) Harry W., manager of Seaboard Milling Company, married Ella Showalter.

(III) Heinrich Dietrich, son of Johann Michael and grandson of Adam, the emigrant, was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, April 16, 1816, and died suddenly of apoplexy near New Smithville, in Maxatawny township, on May 27, 1901, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. He is buried at Grimville by the side of his wife, Judith (*nee* Kutz), a daughter of the late Joseph Kutz, [See Kutz History] who lived on the Sacyony, near Kutztown, and was nearly one hundred years old when he died. Heinrich Dietrich was reared upon the farm, and after he became of age rode on horseback to Ohio, where he lived two years and worked upon a farm. In 1842 he married and for some years was a farmer at Kohler's Hill, in Greenwich. Here one of his horses which had been bitten by a mad dog, had hydrophobia, which caused a great sensation in the district. Later Heinrich Dietrich bought a large farm located in Maxatawny township, across the line of Greenwich, and along Weisenberg township, Lehigh county. This farm he operated for many years. He also operated a clover-mill located on this place, in the Mill Creek valley. Early in the seventies he retired to a 40-acre tract lying adjacent to his large farm, which he sold to his son-in-law, Henry Fenstermacher. Here he lived until, becoming too old, he was requested by his daughter, Isabella, wife of Henry Fenstermacher, to make his home with them. This he did, and died there, ripe in years, a highly esteemed man. Heinrich Dietrich was better known as "Harry Dietrich." He was a man of more than ordinary intelligence, and throughout his lifetime a constant reader. He is remembered with profound reverence by his many grandchildren. He read the Bible often. He was a man of strong convictions and a strict disciplinarian in the family. He had one favorite ejaculation, "By Judas." He was never heard to use God's name in vain. He was tall, about six feet in height, and erect in his bearing until he was seventy-five years old, when he became very stooped and walked with a cane, but he was well preserved, had good teeth, eyes and ears, and retained all his faculties to the last. His thick hair was black until he was sixty-five years old. Altogether he was a man of fine appearance. He was a pleasant talker and loved company. On his eighty-fifth birthday his children, grandchildren



and great-grandchildren held a birthday party in his honor. They had an elaborate dinner, and he was given the seat of honor at the table, and with happy tears streaming down his cheeks praised God for this pleasant event. He told the gathering that this was his last birthday on earth, and his prediction proved true. In the late afternoon of the last Monday in May, following his birthday celebration, his spirit took its flight. His wife, Judith, had preceded him in death about twenty-five years. The following were their children: William J. (1843-1876); Susan, born April 7, 1845, died unmarried in 1910; Isabelle, married Henry Fenstermacher; Henry A., born Feb. 6, 1850, married Sallie Buchman, and they live in Upper Macungie township, (they have Franklin, Louisa, and Emma); Hettie E., born July 14, 1853, married Amos Loch; Alfred (1855-1856); Emma, born Aug. 1, 1857, married Amos Loch; Annie M. (1860-1882); Sarah, born 1862, is the widow of Sylvester Weil.

(IV) William J. Dietrich, son of Heinrich, was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, Dec. 9, 1843, and died at Hamburg, from typhoid pneumonia, July 19, 1876, in the thirty-third year of his age. He was reared upon his father's farm and in his youth attended the public schools with regularity. He had a bright mind and was a student. He was made administrator of an estate before he was thirty years old, and was helpful in many ways in his community. He owned a small farm one-quarter of a mile from where his father lived, located in Greenwich township, now owned by Lewis Behler. This he operated until the latter part of 1874, when it was sold and he moved to Hamburg where his death occurred. He worked in the ore mines in Maxatawny township in 1873 and 1874, during the spring and fall. At Hamburg he followed huckstering and butchering, and for a short time worked in the rolling-mill, which is now abandoned. He and his family were devout Lutherans and constant in their attendance at worship. On July 11, 1868, he married Susanna F. Seaman, youngest daughter of Jonathan Seaman, a foremost citizen of Tilden township. She was born Dec. 24, 1844, and died suddenly of apoplexy Sunday night, June 4, 1899, in her fifty-fifth year. Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich are buried in the Dietrich family plot at Hamburg. Mrs. Dietrich was a woman of noble character and high intelligence. She was a pious woman and her death was one of victory. Being left a widow with six children, the youngest a posthumous son, she reared them in the fear and admonition of God, and early in life she hired her sons upon the farm and taught them the value of industry and the necessity of an education.

William J. and Susanna F. Dietrich had the following children: (1) Lizzie C. (1868-1881). (2) Agnes V., born Feb. 1, 1870, married G. J. Heintzelman, of Allentown. He is associated with Col. Harry C. Trexler, in the manufacturing of headings and staves, at Sonestown, and White Haven, Pa. They have a daughter, Carrie May, and a son, Henry Clay. (3) Sevilla J., (1871-1872). (4) Oscar H. (5) David J. (6) William J. (7) Alfred M.

Oscar Henry Dietrich, the oldest son of William J. and Susanna (Seaman) Dietrich, is the head of the Dietrich Motor Car Company, of Allentown. He was born July 23, 1872, in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county; was educated in the public schools, the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, and in the American Commercial School, at Allentown. Afterward he followed a mechanical pursuit for five years, during which time he invented a wooden handle bar stem, and this he later manufactured at Allentown. In 1895 he engaged in the bicycle business at No. 142 North Seventh street, Allentown, and continued in this business until 1905, but as early as 1900 he also added automobile repairing, and in 1903, he took the agency of the famous Cadillac and Franklin cars.

In the year 1913 he discontinued the agency of the Franklin car, but continued as the distributor of the Cadillac cars for the counties of Lehigh, Northampton, Carbon, Schuylkill, and Berks.

Mr. Dietrich, in the fall of 1903, purchased the ground, Nos. 24-26 North Tenth street, and upon it built a modern garage of two stories, 40x110 feet. He continued business there until Feb. 1, 1910, then removed into his present quarters, 948, 950 and 952 Linden street. The Dietrich garage is a three-story building with basement. Its dimensions are 52x230 feet, open on four sides and fronts on three streets. The building is fire proof. It is constructed of reinforced concrete and is modern in every respect, reputed to be one of the finest garages in the country.

The Dietrich Motor Car Company employs forty skilled mechanics, and has sold nearly several thousand machines to satisfied patrons. By his industry, ability, and enterprise, Mr. Dietrich has built up a most successful business, establishing in 1910, a branch at Reading, Pa, and in that year he erected a modern garage on South Eighth near Chestnut street. In 1911, he purchased a 120-acre farm near Grimville, Berks county, and there he established a summer home. In 1914, he purchased a fine residence on Park street, Kutztown, which he now occupies.

Mr. Dietrich is identified with the Masonic Fraternity, the Elks, and the Odd Fellows. He

and family worship in Christ Evangelical Lutheran church.

On Oct. 27, 1895, he married Lizzie Aquila Kostenbader, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Roth) Kostenbader, of Fullerton. They have two children, Mabel H. and Erma.

David Jonathan Dietrich, the second son of William J. and Susanna (Seaman) Dietrich, was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, March 1, 1874. In 1880, owing to the death of his father, he was admitted into the Lutheran Orphans' Home, at Germantown, Pennsylvania, where he remained about ten years. In 1893, after attending the World's Fair, at Chicago, he located in the West, until the outbreak of the Spanish-American War, when he enlisted in the regular army, serving in the Cuba and Porto Rico campaigns, also in the Philippine Islands, where he was stationed for several years. After his return to his native country, and living in Michigan for several years, he came to Allentown in 1910, and was employed as a machinist with the Dietrich Motor Car Company. He was fatally stricken with apoplexy, dying at the Allentown Hospital, on Nov. 28, 1911, aged 37 years, 8 months and 27 days. He is buried on the Dietrich plot, in Greenwood cemetery, Allentown.

William Joseph Dietrich, the third son of William J. and Susanna F. (Seaman) Dietrich, was born May 12, 1875; was educated in the public schools, graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pennsylvania, in 1898; taught school in Tilden and Cumru townships, Berks county; and in the city of Reading; and since April, 1906, is engaged in historical and genealogical research, having assisted in compiling the histories of Berks, Northumberland and Lehigh counties. He has contributed papers to a number of historical societies, magazines and newspapers. In 1914 he edited and compiled the Dietrich Families in America, which includes the records of years of research, both in this country and abroad. Mr. Dietrich has membership in a number of county historical societies, the Pennsylvania German Society, and the National Geographic Society. He is a member of the Masonic Fraternity, and the Odd Fellows. He and family are members of the United Evangelical church and Sunday school.

William J. Dietrich was married on May 20, 1899, to Sarah M. Merkel, daughter of James K. and Sarah (Schuman) Merkel, of Reading, Pa. Unto them are born four children, as follows: Naomi Evangeline, Ruth Emily, William Joseph, and Esther Agnes. They reside at No. 242 North Sixth street, Allentown.

Alfred Milton Dietrich, the posthumous son of the late William and Susanna (Seaman) Diet-

rich, was born at West Hamburg, Berks county, Pennsylvania, Nov. 30, 1876. Like his older brothers, he was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools. On April 28, 1898, he enlisted as a private in the Spanish-American War, having participated in General Miles' campaign in Porto Rico, and after the Peace Jubilee, at Philadelphia, was mustered out Nov. 16, 1898. Early in 1899 he located at Allentown, Pa., where he was married in the fall of that year, after which he was engaged in the life insurance business for a number of years. Afterward he lived at Ricketts, Pa., upwards of a year, when he located at Reading, where he again followed the insurance business. During 1910-11 he was employed by a large iron concern at York, Pa., and had charge of a construction crew in the South, and in 1912, '13 and '14, he toured the entire West, having climbed to the top of Pike's Peak, and sailed through the Golden Gate. He has membership in a number of fraternal societies. He has one son, Alfred M., Jr.

(II) Johann Heinrich Dietrich, son of Adam, the emigrant, was born in 1777, and was brought up as a farmer. After his marriage he lived a half mile northeast of Klinesville. He owned the farm now the property of Albert D. Kunkel, and the adjoining farm now owned by Peter Stump. In addition to farming "Heinrich" Dietrich, as he was known, conducted a saw-mill. He was a fairly prosperous man, but was drawn into an unfortunate piece of litigation. One J. S. stole some clover seed from him but through some technicality of the law Dietrich could not obtain his conviction. He spent his small fortune, and died in August 1857 or 1858, a poor man, in Albany township, where he was nevertheless respected by all who knew him. In subsequent years S. confessed, but the evil was done. Heinrich Dietrich in the later years of his life lived along the Ontelaunee, below the Albany station, near the railroad. He was a man of dark complexion, and of medium height and weight. He is buried at Dunkel's church. He married Hannah Kraemer, who is buried at Grimville, and had the following children: (1) John, married Christiana Bautsch. (2) Adam, who left Berks county when he was about twenty years of age and still unmarried, located in Mercer county, Pa., where he married and reared a family. (3) Hannah. (4) Sallie, married Joseph Greenawald and they moved to Emporia, Lyon county, Kan. (5) Henry K., born March 16, 1817, died of smallpox, Feb. 20, 1862, aged forty-four years, eleven months, four days. He lived in Greenwich on the farm now owned by Peter Stump. He was known as "Der Wake Mashter Henny" ("The supervisor Henry





HENRY B. DIETRICH.  
1816-1901.



WILLIAM J. DIETRICH.  
1843-1876.



WILLIAM J. DIETRICH.  
Born 1875.



WILLIAM J. DIETRICH, JR.  
Born 1905.

FOUR GENERATIONS.





Dietrich"), holding this office many years. His wife was Sarah (Sally) Opp. They had the following children: Willoughby, Samuel, Peter, Mary, and Wallace A. (6) Polly, married Samuel Ernest. They are buried at Paradise Church, in Northumberland county, Pennsylvania.

(IV) Willoughby Dietrich, son of Henry K., son of Johann Heinrich, son of Adam, the emigrant, married Ellen Gorman. They had four sons and one daughter. Two of the sons and the daughter reside at New Orleans, La. They are highly educated and are prominent in the social and business world. After the Civil War Willoughby Dietrich located at New Orleans, where he is buried. He was a soldier in the Union army from Oct. 5, 1861, to the end of the war, being the first volunteer soldier on record from Greenwich township. He was a graduate of the government military school, and was an officer in the army. His brother, Samuel O. Dietrich, was also a soldier in the Union army, and died on the field of battle at Vicksburg, Miss., where he is buried. Peter Dietrich, brother of Samuel O. and Willoughby, was a soldier in the Union army, enlisting when only seventeen years old, and served with honor from the beginning to the end of the war. He returned to Berks county and married Sarah Hunsicker. They have a son, Charles, and two daughters.

(II) Johann Dietrich, son of Adam, the emigrant, was born on his father's farm in Greenwich township, Jan. 7, 1779. He engaged in farming in that same district, not far from Dietrich's mill, on a farm consisting of upward of 100 acres. He died upon his place July 28, 1830, aged fifty-one years, six months, twenty-one days, and is buried at the Grimville church. In 1807 he married Elizabeth Ohl, who survived him many years, and they became the parents of thirteen children, as follows: John, Reuben, Samuel, Anna Maria, born 1809; Jonas; Hanna, born 1812; Benjamin, born 1813; David, Eva, Daniel (1828-1834); Joseph, Esther, and Catharine.

(II) Johann Christian Dietrich, son of Adam, the emigrant, was born on the Dietrich homestead in Greenwich township, Jan. 13, 1783. This farm he purchased from his father in 1812, and on it all his life was spent. He was a farmer, and by industry and frugality accumulated a small fortune. He was a short-set, strong and robust man, very fond of horseback riding. Like most of the family, he was full faced and had very black hair. He was kind-hearted and affable, but firm in his convictions. He was very prominent in his community, and was an official member of the Lutheran congregation at Dunkel's church,

where he and the members of his family are buried. He died Nov. 21, 1873, aged ninety years, ten months, eight days. He married Elizabeth Georg, born Jan. 27, 1786, who died Jan. 17, 1846, aged nearly sixty years. They were the parents of twelve children, namely: (1) Benjamin, born 1806, died 1894, married Anna Wiltrout. (2) Solomon, born 1807, died 1874, married Beckie Will. (3) Jonathan (Jonas), born 1808, died 1862, married Betsy Shearer. (4) George B., born 1811, died 1887, married Polly Heinly. (5) Beckie, married Jacob Heinly. (6) Samuel, born 1817, died 1893, married Juliannus Schollenberger. (7) Anna, married Daniel Spohn. (8) Hettie, born 1822, died 1904, married John Moyer. (9) Daniel, born 1824, died 1898, married Sally Ann Christ. (10) Jeremiah, born 1826, died 1901. (11) Nathan, born 1827, died 1880, married Elizabeth Stump. (12) Henry, born 1832, died 1905, married Lydia Merkel.

(III) Benjamin Dietrich, son of Johann Christian, was born in 1806, and died Aug. 26, 1894, at the age of eighty-eight years. He was a prominent citizen and large taxpayer of Greenwich township, owning 375 acres lying between Dunkel's church and the Three Mile House. He married Anna Wiltrout, and they enjoyed a happy wedded life of more than fifty years. They were the parents of children, as follows: Magdalena; Levi; Daniel W., married Sally Ann Merkel; Benjamin; Lewis; James W., married Elizabeth Fetherolf; Henry W., married Amelia Heinly; Samuel A.; Adam; Susanna; and Eliza, married Rolandus Dreibelbis.

(IV) Samuel A. Dietrich, son of Benjamin, was born in 1848, and his death occurred in 1894. He was a farmer by occupation, and his land was located in Greenwich township, about one and one-half miles southwest of the Three Mile House. In the year 1870 he married Susanna Spohn, only child of Daniel and Anna (Dietrich) Spohn, the former a farmer in Greenwich township. Eleven children blessed this union, viz:

(1) Clara A., born March 2, 1871, married Samuel S. Mengel, and lives in Maiden Creek township. They have had children: Katie M., born in 1891; Flossie A., born in 1897; Elsie L., born in 1899; and Lizzie I., born in 1903. (2) Wilson L., born July 29, 1872, lives with his family at the old Dietrich homestead. He married (first) Kate Adam, by whom he had one son, Clarence S., born in 1893, and married (second) Cora Dietrich. (3) Robert Daniel, born Oct. 14, 1874, is mentioned below. (4) Henry B., born Sept. 17, 1876, died Dec. 8, 1876. (5) Louisa Kate, born Jan. 31, 1878, married Charles H. Feeley, of Maiden Creek township, and has

had three children: Edna, born in 1896; John S., born in 1899; and Jennie S., born in 1903, died in 1905. (6) Elmer Samuel, born June 14, 1880, died July 7, 1880. (7) Charles L., born Aug. 26, 1883, married Sallie Leob, and has two children: Elda, born Jan. 31, 1907; and Florence S., born Sept. 21, 1908. (8) George Herbert, born Nov. 7, 1885. (9) Jennie Susan, born Dec. 21, 1887. (10) Calvin Andrew, born Aug. 26, 1890, and (11) Edward Christian, born April 8, 1892, are all at home.

(V) Robert D. Dietrich, a farmer in eastern Richmond township, where he owns a fertile farm of fifty-seven acres, was born Oct. 14, 1874, near Dunkel's church, in Greenwich township, son of Samuel A. He was reared on a farm, and received his early education in the common schools, later attending the state normal school at Kutztown, Pa. He is very industrious and by his own energy has acquired his present property. He is a Lutheran member of the Dunkel's Union church in Greenwich township.

Mr. Dietrich married Laura S. Fraunfelder, daughter of W. Adam and Catharine (Lenhart) Fraunfelder, prominent farming people of Windsor township. Five children have blessed this union, namely: Susanna May, born in 1896; Harry Adam, born in 1898; Raymond Daniel, born in 1899; Paul Leroy, born in 1900; and Helen Fannie, born in 1902.

(III) Jonathan (or Jonas) Dietrich, son of Johann Christian, born Dec. 2, 1808, died Jan. 29, 1862. When a young man he followed blacksmithing and later in life became a farmer in Greenwich township where he lived all his life. He is buried at Moselem church. In 1831 he married Elizabeth (Betsy) Schearer, born Sept. 25, 1810, who died June 7, 1897. The following children were born to this union: Ephraim, died at Silver Lake, Kan., in 1905, aged seventy years, leaving a large family, and is buried in Kansas; Jonathan, died in 1870; Joel, born in 1837; William, born in 1838, died in 1906; Daniel S., born Sept. 20, 1840, died in Baltimore, Md., May 11, 1907; Henry; Samuel; Edwin; Sarah Ann, married Cyrus Leshar, of Reading.

(IV) Daniel S. Dietrich, son of Jonathan (or Jonas), was born in Berks county, Sept. 20, 1840. While a young man he moved to Montour county, Pa., where he married Catherine B., daughter of Jacob and Justina (Boyer) Moser. Her father was born in Montgomery county, Pa., oldest son of Peter and Anna (Steinbruch) Moser. Peter Moser was the son of S. P. Moser, who lived in Pottstown, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich were the parents of four sons: S. P., Jacob M., Edwin M., and J. Calvin. Jacob M. and J. Calvin died young. Edwin M. married Susan C., daughter

of Samuel and Margaret Mauger. They have two sons, Mark S., and Kenneth, and live in Harrisburg, Pa. Mrs. Catherine B. (Moser) Dietrich died at Milton, Pa., March 14, 1897. The father then moved to Baltimore, where he followed building and contracting until the time of his death, which occurred May 8, 1907. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dietrich are buried at Oak Grove cemetery, in Montour county, Pennsylvania.

(III) George B. Dietrich, son of Johann Christian, was born Jan. 20, 1811, and died May 2, 1887. He owned land in Richmond township, along the Easton road, two miles west of Kutztown, and while he always followed his trade of carpenter, he also worked at farming. He married Polly Heinly, and they became the parents of three children: James H., born Nov. 22, 1840, died Aug. 26, 1893; Maria, who is unmarried, lives on the old homestead, which she now owns; Katie, married Enoch J. Heinly, mentioned elsewhere in this work.

(IV) James H. Dietrich, son of George B., was born in Greenwich township, Nov. 22, 1840, and was there reared and educated, making his home throughout life in the same township. He learned the carpenter's trade with his father, and this he followed in connection with farming all of his active years. He died Aug. 26, 1893. He married Mary Behler, who survives him and lives with her sons on their farm in Richmond township. Three sons blessed the marriage of James H., and Mary (Behler) Dietrich, as follows: Lawson G., Llewellyn J., died in 1890, aged twenty-two years; and Calvin J.

#### DILLIARD FAMILY.

The progenitor of the Dilliard family settled in Moore township, Northampton county, at an early period in its history, and a son, Conrad, acquired a large tract of land there, which came to be divided into three farms. He left ten surviving children.

One of his sons, Joshua, was born near Petersburg, and became a tailor by trade. He was married to Hester, daughter of Benjamin and Mary Dieter, and they had eight children: Richard C., John A., Benjamin F., Alavesta, Diana, Susanna, Mary A., and Rebecca.

Jacob Dilliard, another son of Conrad, was born in Moore township and brought up on a farm. He learned the trade of a stone mason, and carried it on in connection with farming. He was married twice. His first wife was Elizabeth Wanner, with whom he had five children: William, Peter, Jacob, James, and Sallie, m. to Levi Schaneberger. His second wife was named Hannah, and they had a daughter, Harriet, m. to Adam Laub.



William, the eldest son of Jacob, was born in 1826, in Moore township. He was a stone mason by trade, and served as supervisor of the township for many years. He was married to Leah, a daughter of John Schaeffer, of that township, and they had nine children: William H. M., Gideon, Amandus, Dinah, m. to Michael Summers; Franklin, Israel, Maria, Jane, and Emma. They were members of the Reformed church at Moorestown, which he served as a deacon. He died July 12, 1898, and she died August, 1905.

William H. M. Dilliard, eldest son of William, was born in the same township in 1840, and brought up on a farm, and followed farming until he was twenty-seven years old. Afterward he was employed in slate quarries in Washington township, until 1909, when he retired. In 1867 he was married to Elemina Susanna, a daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Rex) Weiss, and they had ten children: Edward T.; William H.; Edna L.; Lizzie, m. Richard Williams; Carolina, m. Richard Kern; Ursula, m. A. H. Kline; Minnie, m. P. J. Hockey; Ella, m. James Mack; Albert E., and Charles. His wife was born May 20, 1847, and died Jan. 7, 1912.

EDWARD T. DILLIARD, the eldest son of William H. M., was born at Slatedale, in Washington township, on June 25, 1867, and reared on a farm. At an early age he began to work in slate operations and he has continued to do so until the present time, having for many years filled the position of foreman for the Empire Slate Co. He is a member of the American Mechanics, and the Knights of Friendship, at Slatington. On May 30, 1887, he was married to Jane, a daughter of Henry and Sallie (German) Fenstermacher, and they have three children: Daisy M., Mamie A., and Sallie E. They are members of the Reformed congregation at Frieden's church.

WILLIAM H. DILLIARD, the second son of William H. M., was born at Slatedale, Feb. 26, 1869. After attending school until he was twelve years old, he was put to work in the slate operations. He worked there for ten years, then became superintendent of the Peter quarry and filled this position there and at other large operations until 1904. Then he assisted in organizing the Empire Slate Co., and served as manager for six years, when he became the sole owner, and he has since carried on the plant in a successful manner. He produces large quantities of roofing slate and blackboards, and employs thirty hands. He is a member of the Odd Fellows and American Mechanics. On Nov. 26, 1895, he was married to Gussie B., a daughter of Lewis and

Marie (Dorward) Fink, and they have four children: Olive, Emma, Blanche, and Harrison.

#### DILLINGER FAMILY.

Heinrich Wilhelm Dillinger, the ancestor of the Dillinger family immigrated to this country in 1728 from Wurtemberg, Germany, in the ship "Mortonhouse" (*Penna. State Archives 2d Series, Vol. 17, Page 12*), and settled near and below the present Dillingersville, in Lower Milford township, Lehigh county, and located one hundred and fifty acres of land, on which he erected a dwelling house where he lived until his death—the house is still standing and is in a habitable condition. It is the oldest landmark in the whole of the lower section of the county. He subsequently acquired other adjoining lands, making a total acreage of two hundred and thirty. He divided the lands between his two sons: John George and John Jacob. He was a Lutheran and took a leading part in building the original Lutheran Church in the lower section of the county. He died between the years 1765 and 1770. His wife preceded him in death in 1761. They had seven children: Valentine, John George, John Jacob, Johannes, Anna Catharina (married Mathias Bastian), Anna Elizabeth (married George Welter), Anna Maria (married John Martin Schwenk).

Valentine is known to have had a daughter named Anna Rosina, born March 15, 1751.

Johannes probably died unmarried.

John George had eight children: John Peter, John Henry, John George, Daniel, Eva Rosina, Eva Catharina (married Jacob Bertz), Gertrude and Anna Maria. He sold his real property in the year 1787 to his son John Henry, who resold it in 1792 and the same year John Henry purchased a farm of one hundred and sixty-two acres in Lower Milford township from his father-in-law, Mathias Ochs, Jr. John Henry died in 1839 and left four children: William, Henry, John and Elizabeth.

John Jacob in 1788 purchased one hundred acres of land, on which the present Dillingersville is situated and upon which he erected an oil mill which he operated in addition to his tilling the soil of this and his other lands until his death on December 5, 1803, aged seventy-one years. He married Catharina, daughter of Mathias Ochs, Sr., by whom he had four children: Mathias, born March 28, 1763; John, born November 13, 1767; Eve Christina born August 26, 1764, and Maria Catharina, born September 3, 1773. His wife died about 1774. He married a second time, Anna Maria, daughter of Jacob Dubs, by whom he had three children: Catha-

rine (married Peter Rothenberger), Daniel, born May 24, 1779, and John George, born October 7, 1780.

John, the son of John Jacob and his first wife, Catharine, in 1805, established a general merchandise store in Dillingersville, and carried on the business for several years. He then sold the store and his other properties and removed with his family to Philadelphia where he established himself in the wholesale dry goods business, which he carried on successfully up to his death. He had three children: David, Jacob and Margaret. All three were born at Dillingersville.

#### DAVID DILLINGER.

David, the eldest son of John, remained in Philadelphia and engaged in the mercantile business until his death—he is, however, buried in the Allentown cemetery on his brother Jacob's plot. His wife was Christiana Memminger, sister of Hon. C. G. Memminger, of Charleston, S. C., who was one of the leading contemporary lawyers of the south, and was the first Secretary of the Treasury of the Southern Confederacy.

#### MARGARET DILLINGER.

Margaret, the only daughter of John Dillinger, was married in Philadelphia to Hon. William G. Hawkins, a lawyer of Greene county, Pa., where he practiced his profession at the time, and had represented the Senatorial District, of which Greene county was a part, in the State Senate of Pennsylvania for a period of six years and in 1828 was the speaker of the senate. He subsequently removed to Allegheny county where he and she died.

JUDGE JACOB DILLINGER, the other son of John, remained with his father's family in Philadelphia upwards of two years, during which time he was in a drug store learning the art of compounding drugs, when he came back to Lehigh county, and remained until his death. He was engaged in the mercantile business, respectively at Ironton, Ballietsville, Ruchsville and Allentown, and continued in mercantile pursuit until within several years of his death together with the many trusts he performed in filling important offices, surveying, settling decedent's estates, etc. During his life time no better known and more respected man lived in this section of the state. His name was synonymous with virtue, honesty and justice, and among many hundreds of people he was regarded as a *Nestor*; constantly his advice was sought and his counsel followed, for it never failed to lead to ends most satisfactory. He received his education in the schools of the neighborhood where he was born and at Philadelphia, and was a scholar in German, English and French, having

a special taste for mathematics. He excelled most people in solving the mysteries held by figures in various puzzling combinations.

In the year 1825, while living at Ballietsville, he was nominated by the Democrats of this legislative district as their candidate for state representative and was elected. He was then but twenty-seven years of age and was successively twice re-elected. After the close of his legislative life he occupied the position of deputy surveyor for the county, which was at that time an office of importance. On August 3, 1828, he was commissioned by Gov. Shulze, lieutenant colonel of the 68th regiment of the militia of the 7th Division, composed of the militia of the counties of Northampton, Pike and Lehigh, to which position he had been elected. In 1830 when he had established himself in the mercantile business in Allentown, he was appointed and commissioned by Gov. Wolf, clerk of the court of quarter sessions; clerk of the court of oyer and terminer, and the clerk of the orphans' court, for the term of three years, and was reappointed and commissioned in 1833 for another term of three years. In 1836 he also held the office of Prothonotary to which position he was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Charles Craig who had died during the last year of his term as prothonotary. He was the member, from this county, of the Constitutional Convention of Pa., of 1837-'38. In 1844 he was elected one of the Associate Judges and served the term of five years. While holding the position of judge he was nominated for congress by the Democratic convention to succeed Hon. John W. Hornbeck, who had died, but declined because of ill health. In 1850 he was elected a justice of the peace for Allentown, which office, however, he resigned in 1851 to again accept the position of associate judge to which he had been elected.

In 1855 when the Allentown Bank (now Allentown National Bank) was organized he was chosen its first president which position he served with honor and marked ability until his death.

Judge Jacob Dillinger was the very close rival candidate for canal commissioner at the time the Hon. Morris Longstreth was put upon the Democratic ticket. He was twice a Democratic elector, voting for Jackson and Van Buren. He was one of the chief projectors of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, and it is to him, mainly, that its plan of organization whereby no one man can gain control of the capital stock, is due.

At the time the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company was first organized under its charter, Judge Dillinger, who had done much to help the movement forward, was chosen its first general superintendent. He, of course, never acted, preferring



that some one more thoroughly acquainted with the management of a railway than he could be, should fill the responsible position.

He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, of Allentown, a Free Mason, having been admitted into Lafayette Lodge, No. 71, F. & A. M., Philadelphia, and later into Barger Lodge No. 333, F. & A. M., Allentown.

In 1831 he married Salome Schreiber, born September 6, 1803, a daughter of Jacob Schreiber and his wife Eve Catharine, a daughter of Conrad Leisenring, of North Whitehall township, this county.

Judge Jacob Dillinger was born May 27, 1798, and died November 3, 1861. He had five children: John P., David, Margaret E., Jacob S. and Dallas, all of whom were born at Allentown and all except Jacob S., are dead. David died in infancy.

Margaret E. Dillinger was married to Philip S. Pretz and are both dead. They had two children: Aline D. Pretz, and Jacob C. Pretz.

CAPT. JOHN P. DILLINGER was born May 3, 1833, and died May 15, 1889. He was a prominent man in Allentown, made so by his activity in business and his long and intimate connection with the local military, civic and fire affairs.

He was educated in the common schools and the Allentown Academy. In 1850 he took charge of the Allentown office of the Philadelphia and Wilkes-Barre Telegraph Company, being the first telegraph operator in Allentown. In 1852 he entered into partnership with his father and William R. Craig, engaging under the firm name of Dillinger & Craig, in the wholesale liquor business. Mr. Craig retired in 1854, and the business continued under the firm name of J. & J. P. Dillinger. When the father had been elected president of the Allentown Bank, the father's interest was sold to ex-Sheriff Nathan Weiler, and the business carried on under the firm name of Weiler & Dillinger until 1860, when he sold out his interest to Mr. Weiler and entered into partnership with Phaon Albright in the tube manufacturing business, and continuing in the same until 1865 when he went into the mercantile business under the firm name of John P. Dillinger and Co., until 1866 when Mr. Albright sold his interest to Huber Bro., the firm name then being changed to Huber & Dillinger, and so continued until 1868 when he sold out to Huber Bros. and removed to Siegfrieds, Northampton Co., and took charge of the station of the Lehigh and Susquehanna Division of the Railroad of New Jersey, as agent and telegraph operator, and remained in that position until 1874 when he returned to Allentown.

At the time he was in the tube manufacturing business he was captain of the then celebrated Allen Rifles, many of its members joined the 47th Regiment P. V. under Col. T. H. Good and marched to the front in 1861. Being precluded from accompanying them on account of his business arrangements, he, in whom the war spirit was by no means dormant, raised a company for the nine months' service, which Company, with him as its captain, was mustered into service on August 13, 1862, as Company D, 128th Regiment P. V. and took part in the battles of Antietam and Chancellorsville.

Capt. Dillinger was chief of the fire department of Allentown from 1878 for three successive terms of three years each. Before the close of his long term of nine years, the department became the cynosure and envy of neighboring towns. To his persistent effort, more than to any other one man, the city is indebted for the present efficient hook and ladder service, and the fire alarm telegraph. In each of his nine reports, rendered to councils at the close of every fiscal year, he urged the purchase of a first class hook and ladder truck, and the establishment of an electrical alarm system—both of which came; the latter during the last year of his administration and the other less than six months after his retirement. The poles, wires, boxes, etc., of the Gamewell system were put up under his direct supervision and then kept in perfect working order under his personal care, never, in a single instance, failing to answer popular expectation of a prompt and efficient notice in case of fire. His knowledge of telegraphy; the management of batteries; open and closed circuits, etc., enabled him to thoroughly demonstrate to a somewhat doubting public, the utility of a fire alarm system which lost no time and led to no mistakes.

Captain Dillinger was first a member of the Columbia but later joined the Good Will Fire Co. He was a member of E. B. Young Post, No. 87, G. A. R. He was a Mason, demitted from Union Lodge, No. 121, F. & A. M., Philadelphia, and admitted by Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., Allentown.

He was nominated by the Democrats for burgess of Allentown but was defeated by a majority of only seventeen over Thomas Mohr, his Republican opponent.

He was married to Ellen B., daughter of Phaon Albright, and had four children: Lewis, Flora (married to H. D. Greenawald), Sallie (married to Edward Gross), and Myra (married to Fred H. Horlacher).

COL. JACOB S. DILLINGER, the nestor of the Lehigh county bar, and prominent citizen and

Free Mason, was born April 20th, 1841, educated at the Allentown Academy and Fort Edward Collegiate Institute, Fort Edward, N. Y., and after studying law in the office of William S. Marx, Esq., and attending the law department of the University of Pennsylvania—class 1861-'62, he was admitted to the bar of Lehigh county in April, 1862.

Besides keeping up his practice as a lawyer, he has displayed superior executive and administrative abilities in various public trusts that he was called upon to perform: As member of select council of the city of Allentown, 1868-'69 and the last year as its president; as member of board of school directors and member of board of school controllers of Allentown successively for ten years, and the secretary of the board of controllers for five years; as cashier of the Allentown Savings Bank (a banking institution up to 1887) from 1866 until he resigned in December, 1869, to accept the office of prothonotary to which office he was elected; as prothonotary for two terms of three years each; and as assistant to the secretary of the board of world's fair managers of Pennsylvania.

He was a private in Company E, 5th Regiment Pa. (Emergency) Militia—called into service by proclamation of the governor and by authority of the president's letter dated September 11, 1862,—and was detailed to the Division Commissary department. On October 7th, 1875, he was commissioned by Governor John F. Hartman, brigade quarter master of the 5th Brigade 2nd Division of the N. G. of Pennsylvania.

He is a member of St. John's Reformed Church of Allentown, and of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.

His wife, who died April 2, 1882, was Mary Butler Collings, a daughter of Hon. Samuel P. Collings, of Wilkes-Barre, and his wife, Elizabeth, a daughter of Hon. Andrew Beaumont, of Wilkes-Barre. Mr. Collings was an editor and died while he was consul general to Morocco. Her maternal grandfather was one of the best known men in northeastern Pennsylvania. He was prothonotary, postmaster, state legislator and congressman. They have three children living: Margaret E. Elizabeth M., and Alice W., married to Albert B. Jessup—and had one child, a son, Beaumont, who married but died without a child.

DALLAS DILLINGER, Sr., was born February 3, 1844, and died July 1, 1911. He was educated at the Allentown Academy and the Poughkeepsie Business College Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

He served during the Civil War, then only eighteen years of age, in Company D, 128th Regiment P. V., of which his brother, John P.

Dillinger, was captain. He participated in the battles of Antietam and Chancellorsville, two of the most important engagements of the bloody strife. Returning from the army he entered into the grocery business with the late ex-Mayor Herman Schuon. In 1880 he was nominated by the Democrats as their candidate for recorder of deeds of Lehigh county, and was elected and served as such for the term of three years, and shortly after his retirement from that office he was appointed court crier by Judge Edwin Albright and served in that capacity for nineteen years.

He was a Free Mason, a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M., and Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T. For many years he was the Tyler of these bodies and also of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Allentown, and a charter member of Yeager Post, No. 13, G. A. R., and the Franklin Fire Company.

He was married to Sarah Halfpenny who died in 1887, and six children survived them: Aline T., Salome, Mabel, Fannie, Jacob and Dallas, Jr.

Jacob Dillinger, son of Dallas, resides at Salt Lake City, Utah, and is engaged in the commercial business, having a wife and four children: Philip, Charles, Wellington and Ralph.

DALLAS DILLINGER, Jr., was born at Allentown, Feb. 24, 1883. After he graduated from the Allentown high school, he studied law in the office of his uncle, Jacob S. Dillinger, and attended the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, and having passed the state board examinations he was admitted to practice in the Lehigh county courts on February 5th, 1908, and has since been in active practice.

He is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church of Allentown; is the Worshipful Master of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Greenleaf Lodge, No. 286, K. of P., and F. O. of E., No. 110, and Allen Camp, No. 6, Sons of Veterans. He was chairman of the Democratic committee of 1912-13.

His wife is Anna M. a daughter of ex-superintendent of the public schools of Allentown, L. B. Landis and his wife, and they have one child, a son, Robert, born March 10, 1911.

Lewis D. Dillinger son of Capt. John P., was born September 13, 1864, and educated in the public schools of Allentown.

He was appointed by Mayor Samuel D. Lehr in 1890, a police officer, and is now, and has been since June 19, 1898, a special officer of the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. stationed at Bethlehem, Pa.

He is married and has four children: John E., Harry L., Lewis D., Jr., and Helen M.



ABNER L. DILLEY.

Abner L. Dilley, of Allentown, was born at Greenville, Mercer county, Pa., Aug. 30, 1878, son of James M. and Martha (Falk) Dilley. His maternal grandfather was Joseph Falk, a native of New Jersey, whose wife was Rebecca Trake, a native of England. They had the following children: Andrew, Philmar, Calvin, Elvin, and another, whose name is not recorded.

James Falk was a carpenter by trade. He died Dec. 23, 1909, aged 70 years. He had been a member of the U. B. Church. Their children were: (1) Ora A., married to Minnie A. Anderson. He is connected with the Lehigh Auto Vulcanizing Company, and resides at 526 North Sixth street. They have these children: J. Harford; L. Worman; Willard; Mary; and Martha. (2) Dora, married Charles Allen; (3) Charles A., a farmer at Greenville, Mercer county; (4) Abner L.

Abner L. Dilley, after his education, accepted employment with the B. F. Goodrich rubber company, located in Ohio. After being employed there for two and one-half years he worked at Rochester, N. Y., for three years, and at Philadelphia for one year. He then moved to Allentown, Pa., and worked for the Lehigh Auto Tire Vulcanizing Company until in November, 1913. He married Mrs. Mattie Cox, of Akron, Ohio. They reside at 39 North Fifth street, Allentown.

DISSINGER FAMILY.

Eberhart and Anna Catharine Dissinger, natives of Gerschweiler, Duchy of Saarbrucken, emigrated to America in the year 1761, in the ship *Snow Squirrel*. Their nine children came with them. They were too poor to pay for their passage and were sold as "Redemptioners." Rev. Peter Mishler and John Jacob Vogelgesang, their two sons-in-law came with them. George Dissinger, son of Eberhart, was sold at Philadelphia into five years' servitude. He served two years of his term, then having a violent quarrel with his hard-hearted task-master, he made his escape and went to Schafferstown, Lebanon county, in the neighborhood in which his parents had located. He married Judith Lauser and they had six children, namely: John, Henry, George, Michael, Catharine and Elizabeth. His first wife having died he married Catharine Schweitzer and by her had Daniel and Elizabeth. In 1783 he was an ensign in a local company of the Associators and Militia. He was for many years identified with the local battalion and on one occasion at drill was severely wounded by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Adam Sunday.

He held the office of constable of Heidelberg township and was a very prominent man in Dauphin county in which he was held in high esteem. He was born in 1747 and died in 1816.

William Dissinger, son of Michael and Magdalena (Miller) Dissinger, was born in 1820. He was a grandson of George who was born in 1747. He taught school a number of years and in politics was a Whig and later a Republican, was postmaster many years, and held a position in the United States treasury department at Washington many years. He was a farmer, merchant and for upwards of thirty years was a Sunday school superintendent. He married Margaret Schaeffer, a granddaughter of Captain Henry Schaeffer, who in 1783 was the head of a local military company. Issue: Frances, Clarissa, Edwin S., Celinda and Alice.

Benjamin Dissinger, son of Michael and Anna Maria (Garrett) Dissinger and a grandson of George, was born in 1824. He was for many years proprietor of the Red Lion (now the Central) Hotel, in Schaffertown. He was a Republican and in 1867 was elected prothonotary of Lebanon county. He was a prosperous man and lived retired from 1877 until his death. He was a liberal supporter of the Lutheran Church. He was never married and after his mother had died he lived with his sister, Sarah.

Rev. Moses Dissinger, son of John (John, George, Eberhart) was one of the oldest of thirteen children born to his parents, and was early in life hired out to farmers to work for his board and clothing, getting absolutely no schooling. At the age of thirteen years he was soundly converted to God in a revival meeting and soon afterward he united himself with the Evangelical Association. He was called to preach the gospel, but his lack of education was a serious obstacle. However, he surmounted that obstacle by getting private instruction from kind friends, which, with hard study soon enabled him to read the Bible which he loved fervently. He served as class-leader and exhorter, and in 1854 was licensed by the East Pennsylvania Conference to preach the gospel. He labored with marked success in various circuits of the Conference until 1879. In the spring of that year he joined the Kansas Conference and after three years of faithful service there, he died in Douglas county, Kansas, January 25, 1883.

Rev. Dissinger was a sincere Christian, a man of strong convictions and fearless in their utterance. He studied his Bible with great diligence and had committed numerous passages of scripture to memory, and in his sermons which were pointed and logical, he lashed the vices and all manner of sin with such animated fervor that people during the course of his discourses frequently fell

under deep conviction. No one ever denounced the hollow pretenses of religion in plainer and stronger terms than he. During the Civil War he was intensely Union, and his fervent and intensely patriotic sermons were of untold service to the national cause. He exposed and condemned the wickedness of the copperheads and rebel sympathizers with such violent ardor that the actual result of his efforts to the perpetuation of the Union can only be conjectured.

During the last days of his earthly pilgrimage he sent a message to numerous Pennsylvania friends, as follows: "Tell my brethren in Pennsylvania if they wish to see Moses Dissinger again they will have to come to Heaven to see me."

Rev. Dissinger married (first) a Miss Clark and they had three children, namely: (1) a son who died aged 38 years, leaving a widow and two children. The widow afterward married David Morris and they reside at Allentown; (2) Charles F., of Allentown; (3) Abraham Dissinger is a successful farmer and lives near Lawrence, Kansas. Rev. Dissinger married (second) Amelia Stahler, an estimable woman, a daughter of Christian and Elizabeth (Becker) Stahler, whose father came from Hessen, Germany, as a surgeon to take part in the Revolutionary War. Her mother was a Miss van Dalia, a Moravian, of noble birth whose cousin, Col. Christie, took a prominent part in the War of 1812. With the second union Rev. Moses Dissinger had ten children, five of whom are still living, namely: Anna, Laura, Sallie, Fred and Robert.

Franklin C. Dissinger, son of John, was born at Schaeffertown, Lebanon county. In 1883 he removed to Cornwall, Pa., where he conducted the anthracite boarding house two years, afterward he conducted one of the Robert Coleman dairy farms five years. In 1889 he moved to Brickersville, Lancaster county, and he is now 79 years of age. His wife is Elizabeth Fink, a daughter of Philip Fink, of Mt. Zion, Lebanon county. Mr. Dissinger has for many years been active in the United Evangelical Church of which their son, Rev. Solomon N., is now a minister.

Rev. Solomon Neitz Dissinger, son of Franklin C. and Elizabeth (Fink) Dissinger, was born Feb. 6, 1873, in Lancaster county. He was given a Christian training and from his youth up was a regular attendant in some Sunday school. In 1887 a serious accident befell him, while he and his oldest brother attended the State Militia encampment at Mount Gretna, he was accidentally stabbed by a careless guardsman, and for three months he lay seriously ill, suffering intensely and it was during this time that he dedicated him-

self to God. In the midst of this strange experience he was baptized on Aug. 7, 1887, by the Rev. W. F. Heil, D.D. In December of that year he united himself with the M. E. Church, at Cornwall, Pa. In 1891 he united with the United Evangelical Church at Lititz, Pa., and during 1892, '03, '04 and '05 he attended the Schuylkill Seminary, at Fredericksburg. In January of 1895 he moved with the school (now called Albright College) to Myerstown, Pa., remaining until March 2, 1895, when he was licensed at Schuylkill Haven Conference of the U. E. Church and by the earnest entreaties of the now sainted B. J. Smoyer, he entered the ranks of the active ministry as assistant to Rev. J. K. Freed on the Annville circuit. He was ordained a deacon at the annual conference held at Mohrsville, Bishop R. Dubs, D.D., presiding; and an elder at the annual conference held at Allentown in 1903. He served the following churches: Annville, Dauphin, Tower City, Danielsville, Perkasie, Shenandoah and Boyertown since 1910. He owns a large and valuable library, is a zealous and able minister of the conference and has rendered efficient services in the various fields where he had been stationed.

On July 2, 1895, he was united in holy matrimony with Minerva L., the accomplished daughter of R. A. Ennis, of Jonestown, Lebanon county, by the Rev. B. J. Smoyer, his presiding elder. Two children, Elizabeth E. and Chester B., bless their union.,

#### ALBERT DISTEL.

Albert Distel was for years a merchant of Allentown, Pa. He was a son of Jacob Distel, who was born Oct. 20, 1821, at Stuttgart, Province of Wurtemberg, Germany. His father was George Distel, whose wife was Magdalena Weiss. Jacob learned the trade of carpenter in his native country and at the age of 23 years came to Philadelphia where he followed his trade for 17 years. In 1861 he removed to Lehigh county and engaged in farming near Allentown, which occupation he followed for 12 years.

In 1873 he became a merchant in Allentown. He purchased a tract of land on Eighth street, near Liberty, and erected several dwellings, also a store which he conducted successfully, until his death, which occurred Nov. 20, 1894. Interment was made in Union cemetery, Allentown, Pa. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church and was active in church work. He married (first) Catherine Paul, who died in Philadelphia in 1859. She was the mother of three children—Mary, who died in infancy; Albert and Charles who also died young. He married (second) in 1860, Anne E. Bald, born







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1820, who is yet living and at the age of 93 is active in body and mind and tenderly cared for by her daughter-in-law and her grand-daughter, with whom she resides. Is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Albert Distel, son of Jacob and Catherine (Paul) Distel, was born at Philadelphia in 1855. He attended the public schools and after the age of 6 years was reared upon his father's farm. He assisted his father in his store, and ultimately became associated with him in the business, under the name of J. Distel and son. After his father's death he continued the business up to the time of his own death, which occurred March 8, 1895, as the result of an accident. Interment was in Union cemetery. Was a Democrat, and member of the St. Paul's church, also a deacon. Was a school director; a member of Lehigh Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Unity Encampment No. 12. He was married Aug. 6, 1882, to Annie R. Heilman, daughter of David and Worley Heilman. Mr. Heilman was a resident of Lowhill township and was a farmer and shoemaker. Their children—Florence Luella, born Nov. 4, 1884 and Helen May, born May 10, 1888. Florence Luella married Rev. Alfred W. Ruder, of Wind Gap, Pa.

Helen May graduated from the Allentown High School in 1904, and is now a teacher of instrumental music, also a Sunday school teacher, and the organist of the Trinity United Evangelical Church.

#### THEODORE L. DOERING.

Ferdinand Doering was born at Merrana, Saxony, Germany, Dec. 29, 1816, and died at East Mauch Chunk, June 8, 1895. We was a miller by trade, and also the proprietor of a flour and feed store. Finding business conditions unsatisfactory in Germany, he emigrated to the United States in 1850, in order to make a home here for his family, for whom he sent in 1855. For a time he made his home at Tannersville, Monroe county, Pennsylvania, where he owned and operated a grist mill. Subsequently he removed to East Mauch Chunk, Carbon county, where he worked at the coal chutes, then migrated to Cherryville, Northampton county, where he engaged in farming on a small scale. Later he returned to East Mauch Chunk, and there his death occurred. He married, in Germany, Emilie Sitzman, born Sept. 2, 1817, died Feb. 18, 1892, and they were the parents of children, as follows: Adolph, born in 1842, died April 6, 1899, married Emma Bohl; Amelia, deceased, married Christopher Rau, of Allentown; Theodore L., of further mention; Agnes, married (first) Charles Seler, deceased; (second) Martin Kemmerer, deceased,

of Allentown; Teckla, deceased; Louisa, born in 1860, died Dec. 11, 1901, married Charles Link, deceased, of East Mauch Chunk.

Theodore L., son of Ferdinand and Emilie (Sitzman) Doering, was born at Merrana, Saxony, Germany, Jan. 17, 1846. He had some educational advantages while still in his native country, but from the time of his arrival in this country, was obliged to assist in the support of the family. He came to America with his mother in 1855, landing here after sixty-five days spent in a sailing vessel, and accompanied his father to East Mauch Chunk, where he was engaged in the labor of picking slate at the coal chutes until 1862. He then became brakeman on the railroad, a post he held several years, then was engaged in carpentering until 1875. In that year he removed to Allentown, Lehigh county. There he managed the cafe for his sister Agnes for a period of ten years, and next established himself in business independently, continuing this seven years. His next venture was in the general contracting line, with which he was successfully identified for two and one-half years. He next conducted the "Gast-House" at 530 Hamilton street, until 1900, when he retired. Mr. Doering is a man of broad and liberal views, and will not allow himself to be bound by partisan ties in any direction. He is independent in his political opinion, and gives the benefit of his vote to the candidate he thinks best fitted to discharge the duties of the position for which he has been nominated. He is a member of the Lutheran Church and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Doering married, May 20, 1885, Jennie, a daughter of Carl and Catherine (Gross) Yeager, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and he now resides at No. 1346 Linden street, Allentown, Pennsylvania. Carl Yeager was a native of Leipzig, Germany, having been a graduate of the Conservatory of Music of Leipzig. He emigrated to America in 1855, settling at Cincinnati, where he followed a musical career. He was the leader of the military band of the Newport, Kentucky, barracks. He also was a composer of music for a number of bands and was a most talented citizen.

During the summer of 1907, Mr. and Mrs. Doering visited the Fatherland. The homestead was found in the same condition in which Mr. Doering left it as a boy.

#### DORWARD FAMILY.

The progenitor of the Dorward family in the upper end of Lehigh and Berks counties was John Dorward. He lived in the Perkiomen Valley and is buried at the Goschenhoppen

church. Among his children were two sons, Daniel and John.

Phaon Dorward, son of John, was born May 9, 1823, died July 1, 1904, and buried in Slatington. He was a slate worker and supervisor for many years. His wife was Polly, daughter of Daniel Sensinger, and they had eleven children: Sallie (wife of Jonas Weiss); Charles; Amanda (wife of Henry Brey); Mary (died young); Fianna (wife of George Loch); Flora (wife of Ammon Dreisbach); Moses (of Emerald); Madina (wife of Oscar Measemer); Emma (wife of Frank Herman); Anna Senetta (died young), and Lucy (wife of Charles Hummel).

Daniel settled in Greenwich township, Berks county. He was born Jan. 1, 1779, and died March 25, 1858. He married Maria Christina Arnold, born Sept. 26, 1780, and died March 13, 1858. Both are buried at Grimville, in Berks county. Their children were: Ephraim, Joseph, Anna, Eliza, Charles and Daniel. In 1801 he purchased a small farm, situated below Krumsville, and there he lived until his death.

John moved first to Northampton county, then to Heilberg township, Lehigh county. He was born November 10, 1782, and died October 10, 1842, being buried at the Heidelberg church. He was married June 21, 1803, to Rebecca Santee of Nazareth. They had eleven children, one of whom died in infancy, and were as follows: Sally (wife of Jacob Wilhelm), Hattie (wife of Tobias Deibert); Rachael (wife of George Wassum), Daniel and Charles (mentioned later), John, Thomas (lived in Monroe county), Lydia (wife of Frank Ferber), Phaon (mentioned later) and Peggy (wife of Samuel Paulus).

Charles Dorward, son of John, was born March 2, 1815, and died November 11, 1878. He was a member of the Reformed congregation of Frieden's church, where he is buried. He was a farmer and had the tract now owned by his grandson, Lewis (son of Alfred), near Slatedale. The barn on this tract was built by Charles in 1850, and the house was built by John Wassum in 1817. He was a prominent man and able violin player. His services were in great demand at the festivities of his day. His wife was Lydia Peters (a twin sister to Susanna Peters, daughters of Joseph Peters). They had eight children: Henry G. (born April 17, 1838, died January 23, 1899, married Flora A. Geiger, born December 18, 1843, died September 24, 1885); Senia (wife of Harrison Krum); Alfred (mentioned later); Susan (wife of Aaron Handwerk); Elizabeth (wife of Lewis Strah-

ley); Wilson; Alvena (wife of Wilson Steel), and Charles O.

Alfred Dorward, son of Charles, was born on the Peters homestead in April, 1845. He followed farming on the farm now owned by his son, Lewis, near Emerald, from 1848 to the time of his death, July 12th, 1906.

In politics he was a Republican, and he held the office of township auditor for some years. He was a member of the Evangelical church, and served on the Building Committee when Salems Church at Slatedale was erected. Later he became a member of the Evangelical Church at Emerald, which he served faithfully as class leader many years and as assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school. He helped to develop the slate industry in which he was interested all his life. He was married to Caroline Mosser, daughter of Jacob and Susanna (Peter) Mosser. Three children were born to them: Missouri E. (wife of Willard Oswald), Lewis A. and Susanna C. (wife of Thomas F. Beltz).

LEWIS A. DORWARD, son of Alfred, was born September 17, 1872, on the farm formerly owned by his grandfather. He worked on the farm until 1903, when his father retired and he started to farm for himself. Four slate quarries were opened on his farm and leased on royalty. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and the P. O. S. of A., both of Slatington. He is a member of the Evangelical church, which he now serves as steward and trustee. He is also assistant superintendent of the Sunday-school.

He believes in the principles of the Republican party. He is now serving his fifth term as a school director, acting as secretary to the Board since 1903. In January, 1892, he was married to Lillie M. Scheffler, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Peter) Scheffler, of Washington township. Eight children were born to them: Eva, Werley (a graduate of the Washington Township High School, in 1908 and also a graduate of Schuylkill Seminary at Reading in 1912); Elsie, Harvey, Walter, Florence Alfred and Mildred.

Daniel Dorward, son of John, lived in Washington township on a farm later owned by Phaon Dorward. The greater part of this land is now slate property. He is buried at Heidelberg church, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation. He was the father of the following children: Charles, Daniel, John, Lydia (wife of Tobias Deibert), a daughter married to Samuel Paulus, another daughter married to Mr. Wilhelm of Reading, and still another daughter married to Frank Ferber.

Daniel Dorward, son of Daniel, was born in



Washington township. He is buried at the Unionville church. He was a carpenter by trade, and lived in Whitehall township. He was regarded as an expert in playing the violin. For twenty-three years he was the foreman in the boat yards at Lehigh Gap. He was married to Polly Roth, daughter of Peter Roth, and they had the following children: Eli; Benjamin; William; Joseph, Aaron; Hettie (wife of John Anthony); Sallie; Maria (wife of Lewis Fink), and Hannah (wife of Charles Graver).

Aaron Dorward, son of Daniel and Polly Dorward, was born in Washington township, June 4, 1838. He followed the trade of painter for many years. In 1874 he built the house at Newside, where he resides. On May 6, 1860, he was married to Louisa Peter, a daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Hensinger) Peter. They lived in married life fifty-two years and have six children: James A., Wilson D., George P., Clara, Jennie and Charles.

GEORGE P. DORWARD, son of Aaron, was born at Newside, Lehigh county, August 2, 1878. In 1895 he started driving a baker team at Slat Dale and he followed this occupation for upwards of eight years. In 1903 he entered the employment of the Lehigh Valley Traction Co. as conductor and on August 11, 1910, he was promoted to road officer, being regarded as a very efficient employee. He is a member of "Star of the North" Commandery, No. 92, K. of M., of which he is past commander, and of the K. of G. E. of Slatington. He is a member of the Reformed church. He is the manufacturer of Dorward's Cough Drops and candies in Slatington; also cattle powder, witch hazel, liniment, cough-syrup, corn-cure, and toothache drops.

James A. Dorward, son of Aaron, was born in Carbon county, January 7, 1861, and in 1862 was taken by his parents to Lehigh county where he came to work upon a farm until he was eighteen years old, then he learned the painting trade. From 1883 to 1891 he was employed by F. N. Peter & Bro., in putting up iron fences and fire escapes in Lehigh and surrounding counties. In 1892 he took possession of the Eagle Hotel at Schnecksville, and at the same time carried on the carriage works at that place. Later he conducted hotels at Newhard's and Coplay. Since 1899 he has lived at Allentown, following the painting business. In 1877 he married Sarah E. Geiger, daughter of Joel and Hannah Geiger. They have eight children: Bertha, Clinton V., Edwin C. (born in 1883, married Mary C. Kutz, and died Aug. 13, 1912, being survived by his widow and one son, Theodore F.), Katie, Fred, Dora, Amey and Helen R.

WILSON D. DORWARD, a successful business man and prominent citizen of Lehigh county, painter contractor and builder, at Allentown, was born in Heidelberg township, May 20, 1863, and educated in the common schools and in the Mauch Chunk High School. He worked upon a farm until his twentieth year then learned the painting trade, and after working as a journeyman for six years he married and moved to Pleasant Corner, where he resided four years with Nathan and Sallie (Bittner) Wuchter, who were the grandparents of his wife, and after the grandparents died he bought their homestead of 13 acres. He continued to reside there and followed the painting trade until Dec. 8, 1905, when he sold the property and moved to Allentown, where he has since resided, at No. 37 South Madison street. He is associated with Frank P. Mertz in the contract and building business, trading under the name of Mertz & Dorward. He also carries on the painting and paper hanging business, employing from 25 to 30 men. As a fresco painter he decorated many churches in Allentown and throughout the county. Mr. Dorward and family are members of Trinity Reformed church, which he served as deacon, trustee and treasurer. Socially, he is a charter member of Central Lodge, No. 636, I. O. O. F., and is a past grand of the lodge, and for fifteen consecutive years served it as treasurer; also a member of the Odd Fellows Encampment. After locating at Allentown he was appointed mercantile appraiser for the county and he served that office with marked ability. He is a Republican. On May 19 1888, he married Alice J. Schaffer, daughter of Phaon and Ellemina (Wuchter) Schaffer of Lowhill township.

CLINTON V. DORWARD, fresco artist, decorator and painter of Slatington, Pa., was born in Heidelberg township, March 7 1881. He received his preliminary education in the public schools, then studied art in the Franklin Institute and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, both of Philadelphia; and he also studied under Ella S. Hergesheimer, the famous portrait artist. With this preparation, he followed portrait and scenic painting through the South and Middle West for two years, then he resumed his studies in the New York Trade School, of New York City, and was graduated from that distinguished institution. In 1902 he engaged in the painting, paper-hanging and decorating business at Slatington, with his place of business at Second and Franklin streets. Owing to his rare talent he is frequently called upon by leading decorating and frescoing houses to do special work for them in different parts of the

country. He and family are members of the Reformed church. In 1901 he married Bertha M. Benner, daughter of Charles and Amanda (Rex) Benner, late of Slatington. They have four children Ruby M., Roy B., Arlene, and George.

#### DONECKER FAMILY.

Jacob Donegan, a native of Ireland, emigrated to America and located at Reading, Pa. Later it appears he settled in Northampton county, where his son Jacob, was born, Nov. 1, 1795. The ancestor was twice married. The children by his first wife were: John, Jacob, Polly, married to Adam Fritzing; and Sarah, married to John Muschlitz.

Jacob Donegan, son of the ancestor, followed the blacksmith trade in the vicinity of Seemsville and Kreidersville for a period of sixty-five years. He was an exceptionally able mechanic and produced much cutlery which in that day was all made by hand. His later life was spent in Catasauqua with his son William, where he died, April 9, 1864, in his 69th year.

His wife, Lydia Krupp, was a daughter of Henry and Margaret (Schutz) Krupp, who hailed of noted German parentage. In the Fairview cemetery at Catasauqua stands the tombstone of Jacob Donegan. By his side is that of his wife, Lydia Krupp. The tombstone cutter not being familiar with the reading of the German "daufsheim," mistook the name of Margaret Schutz, her mother, for that of her daughter, Lydia, hence the error upon the tombstone, which has not been corrected up to this time. Lydia was born March 25, 1803, died March 31, 1855. They were members of the Lutheran Church. Their children follow: William J.; Clarissa (who died in 1888, was the wife of A. Gehris); Charles, of Easton; Edward, who was never married, was a soldier in the Civil War and is buried in the Arlington National cemetery at Washington, D. C.; Emma, wife of Peter Marks, and they reside at Mt. Carmel, Pa.; Jacob, died aged 22 years; and Augustus, of California. Of the above family, Edward and Augustus retained the old spelling, while the other members changed the name to *Donecker*.

William J. Donecker, son of Jacob and Lydia (Krupp) Donecker, was born March 19, 1830, at Weaversville, Northampton county. He was engaged for five years as a blacksmith, then as a miller for three years. Afterward he learned the carpenter trade, but for twenty-five years was engaged as a car inspector for the C. R. R. of N. J. Later he was the engineer at the Schneck & Bear furniture factory, Allentown, where he remained until his retirement about ten years be-

fore his death which occurred with his son-in-law, Mr. E. J. Rapp, Allentown, on Jan. 24, 1914, aged 83 years, 10 months and 5 days. He had lived at Catasauqua from 1869 to 1886. Up until three years before his death he was in perfect health. His memory for historical occurrences was almost remarkable and he was a veritable reference library for dates. He was one of the pioneers of the Evangelical Church, aiding greatly in building up that denomination, and at the time of his death was a member of Trinity United Evangelical church. He was thoroughly converted by the preaching of Rev. Hummel, at Weaversville, in 1851, and at that time joined the church, which he served devoutly as exhorter, class leader, trustee, Sunday school teacher, and superintendent. During the eruption of the church in 1892, he sided with the so-called "Minority," now the United Evangelicals.

In 1856, he married Elizabeth, a daughter of Jonathan Reinhart. She died in 1887, aged 56 years. The union was blessed with four children, one of whom, William J., Jr., died in youth. The surviving children are: Orrin Charles, whose history follows; Emma R., wife of Edward J. Rapp, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume; and Edwin A., whose history follows.

ORRIN CHARLES DONECKER was born Feb. 10, 1858, at Catasauqua. He attended the public schools, and when his education was completed he entered the employ of F. W. Windt, of Catasauqua and learned the carpenter and wood-working trade. By close application to his work he became the foreman, holding this position for thirteen years. He then removed to Allentown and entered the employ of Schneck & Bear, being their superintendent for ten years. At the end of this term he became foreman for his brother-in-law, Jacob Nagle, contractor and builder. In 1909 Mr. Donecker went into the business on his own account. He drew his own plans and erected a home and office for himself at 1801 Linden St. He built the Allentown public library, the Salem Evangelical Church, the Jewish Synagogue; superintended the erection of numerous factories, school buildings, etc.

In politics Mr. Donecker is a Republican. He became a member of the Evangelical church at Catasauqua and is now a member of the Salem Evangelical church, Allentown, and has been the musical director for eighteen years.

Mr. Donecker, aside from his regular business has also dealt in real estate. He was married Feb. 17, 1887, to Amanda Nagle, daughter of James and Rosetta (White) Nagle, of Allentown. To them eight children were born. Five died in infancy. Those surviving are: Blanche May, a graduate of Blackman's Business College;



Rosetta White, a teacher of piano, and Elsie Beatrice, a graduate of the Allentown High school, class 1913.

EDWIN A. DONECKER, of Allentown, was born at Catasauqua, Pa., where he attended the public schools and graduated from the Catasauqua high school with second honors in the year 1886. At this time he was apprenticed to Peters & Smith, druggists at Allentown. Some years later he took a full course in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, graduating from that established institution in 1892; again becoming an associate with Peters & Smith, at Allentown, for several more years.

In 1896 he became a member of the firm of L. H. Yeager & Company, Allentown, and continued with this company until in 1912, when he became the owner and successor of the Fuller Oil & Supply Company, one of the old established concerns in the Lehigh Valley and this business he has carried on with great success.

Socially Mr. Donecker has membership in the following lodges: Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., and of Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Reading; also the B. P. O. E., No. 130, at Allentown.

Mr. Donecker is prominently identified with the musical life of Allentown; was one of the organizers of the Lehigh Symphony Orchestra, which he served as secretary ever since its organization; has organized several Sunday school orchestras, and at present is director of the orchestra of St. John's Reformed Sunday school, having previously been the director of the orchestra of the Ebenezer Evangelical church and Sunday school.

On May 14, 1896, he was married to Minnie May Yeager, a daughter of L. H. Yeager, of Allentown, and they have five children, namely: Frances Y., Edwin A., Jr., Earl W., Karl Y., and Robert Charles. Edwin A. Donecker, Jr., died May 16, 1913, aged 13 years; and Robert Charles died in infancy.

#### THOMAS S. DONNAN.

From ancient documents in the possession of Thomas S. Donnan, of Slatington, it appears that the Donnan family is of old Scotch origin. His great-great-grandfather was Anthony Donnan who filled the office of Bailiff at Whithorn, in Scotland, and was the eighteenth generation that was known by the Christian name of Anthony and a native of Ayrshire, in Scotland. The homestead of the family was in continuous possession of a descendant for two hundred years and only passed into other ownership in 1876 when Jesse, the wife of Anthony sold out and

emigrated to America. She was a Highlander, born at Campbelltown, the eleventh generation of her family, and her name was McCandlich. They had the following children: Anthony, James, Elizabeth, William (died in infancy), William (2nd), Jesse, a child (who died in infancy unnamed), Agnes, Thomas, Andrew, Isabella, Samuel (who died in infancy), and John.

Anthony Donnan was born at Newton Stewart, in Scotland, on February 28, 1829, and emigrated to the United States in 1852, locating at Slatington where he followed school teaching for a number of years and later operated several boats on the Lehigh canal. Then he became the marbleizer for the Lehigh Slate Co. and filled this position for some time. He afterward opened two slate quarries at Lynnport and another at Ironton, and in 1870 became associated with his brother Thomas in business. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted as a soldier.

Mr. Donnan was married to Margaret Thomas, of West Chester, and they had one daughter who became the wife of Lewis Thompson. He died in 1872 and since then his widow has made her home with the daughter.

Thomas S. Donnan, a former slate operator at Slatington, was born February 28, 1843, at Newton Stewart, in Scotland. He emigrated to America in 1862, and located first for a time in New York City, but a year later went to Slatington, where he engaged in the manufacture of marbleized slate and slate black-boards, the place then had only fifteen dwelling-houses. His brother Anthony was associated with him in the old Lehigh Slate Co. which was the pioneer in the manufacture of these products and he continued with this company until 1896 when he engaged in the business of buying and selling slate materials. He is now extensively engaged in real estate and other enterprises. From 1866 to 1878 he lived at Philadelphia and looked after his marble and slate business while his brother operated the quarries; he then went to Buffalo and attended to the sales there until 1883 when he returned to Slatington and carried on the quarry of M. C. Hersh, at Slatedale, for several years and then for the next twenty years conducted slate operations in that vicinity for different parties. In 1906, Mr. Donnan visited his native place and extended his foreign travel through Ireland, England and France for four months.

In 1870 he was married to Agnes Marshall, daughter of Samuel and Mary Marshall, and she died March 26, 1896, without any children.

ANDREW DONNAN was born in Scotland in 1846 and emigrated to America in 1862, locating at Slatington, where he remained three years.

He then went to Philadelphia and worked with his brother Thomas for three years when he moved to Reading and was in the employ of the Eisebrown Brothers extensive manufacturers of granite monuments, for twenty-five years. He returned to Slatington in 1899, and died in 1902 unmarried.

#### DONAT FAMILY.

Jacob Donat, the immigrant and progenitor of this family, whose sketches appear in this publication, came to America on the ship *Forest*, landing at Philadelphia, October 10, 1752. In 1759 his name appears on the tax-list in Albany township, Berks county, and on November 13, 1811, he there made his last will and testament. From its probate on January 11, 1814, it is evident that he died late in the year 1813 or early in the new year of 1814; and in the document these children are mentioned: Catharine; Anna Maria; Elizabeth; Martin (1762-1839); Jacob; William or Wilhelm (1768-1829, married Catharine Holler); Peter (who had two children, Barbara and Catharine); Rachel; and Susanna (1779-1864, who was married to Abraham Merkel).

Martin Donat was born September 2, 1762, and died August 24, 1839. He was a farmer and owned a tract of farming land embracing 200 acres, situated near the present village of Wanamaker. This farm has been in the Donat family since 1805, when Martin's father, Jacob Donat, purchase it for him. It then included what is now the farm of James A. Donat (Martin's grandson) and also the property of Richard H. Creitz; and Martin erected the dwelling on the former portion, which now affords shelter to the fourth generation. He was a member of the Reformed congregation at Jacksonville, and took an active part in the consistory. He was married three times. His first wife was a Miss Nungesser, by whom he had three children: Henry (1803-1848); Lydia (married to — Moyer, and moved to Ohio); and Judith (married to George Behler). His second wife was Christina Christ, born in 1779 and died in 1823, and by her he had ten children: Gideon (married to Salome Leiby); Levi (married to Catharine Gehrling, *nee* Sechler); Elias (married to Maria Behler); Aaron (married to Mary Magdalena Dietrich); Solomon (1815-1853, married to Lovina Henry, and had two daughters, Mary (married to Charles J. Kistler), and Sabilla M. (married to Wm. German); Fannie (married to Jacob Behler); Sallie (who died young); Henrietta (1814-1861, married to Gideon Behler); Hannah

(married to Rudolph Sechler); and Eliza (married to Nathan Bachman). And his third wife was Anna Maria Horn, *nee* Wehr, by whom he had no children. She was born May 28, 1778, and died June 15, 1858, in her 82nd year.

Elias Donat, one of the sons of Martin, was a farmer near Jacksonville, in Lynn township, where he was born, and he died there at the age of 73 years. Besides owning a farm which contained a valuable deposit of slate, he was also the owner of the store-stand at Jacksonville, and at his death he left a large estate. He was a man of pleasing appearance, possessed of great energy and perseverance, and was recognized by all for his superior character. Previous to his death, he was a great sufferer from dropsy, but he bore his affliction with great patience and resignation under the guidance of a Christian spirit. His wife was Maria Behler, and they had three children: David, Amanda (married to E. F. Lutz, of Jacksonville), and Didama (married to Joseph Gerber, of West Penn township, Schuylkill county). They were buried in the graveyard at Jacksonville.

Aaron Donat, one of the sons of Martin, was born in Lynn township, July 3, 1811, and he died there October 7, 1897. He was a farmer and lived there all his life. His farm of 80 acres was situated near Wanamaker, and it is now owned by his son, James. He was one of the organizers and first school directors of the public school system in the township, having been a strong advocate of free schools and always deeply interested in the educational welfare of his own family and of the people of the township. In later years he again served as a director for a long period of time, and it was he and William Mosser who established a private school near Mosser's Mill for higher education. He was prominently identified with the Jacob's church at Jacksonville for many years. During 1862 and 1863 he was chairman of the building committee which erected the present church. He was deacon, elder and trustee successively of the Reformed congregation and took a very active part in the consistory for more than a quarter of a century, and he was generally recognized as a conservative and representative citizen of the highest type. His wife was Mary Magdalena Dietrich, daughter of John Dietrich, born September 8, 1819, and died July 28, 1907, aged 88 years, 10 months and 20 days. She was held in the highest esteem by the community and reverently addressed as "Mother Donat." Her piety, intelligence and affection exerted a strong influence over her family, so much indeed that two of her sons became ministers of the Gospel



and one a public school teacher. They had eight children: Rev. Willoughby (born Nov. 1, 1841); Mary Christiana (born Nov. 2, 1842, married Charles H. Lutz); Charles A. (born Feb. 8, 1845); Rosanna (born Nov. 14, 1847, married Alfred A. Haberman); Rev. Wilson D. (born April 22, 1851, married first to Emma A. Meckley, and second to Sallie A. Miller); Allen M. (born Jan. 26, 1853, who died young); Prof. James A. (born April 17, 1855, married Victoria A. Lutz); and Lewis J. (born May 27, 1858, married Mary A. Scheetz).

JAMES A. DONAT, a representative farmer and former school teacher of Lynn township, near Wanamaker, who resides on the homestead of his grandfather, was born there April 17, 1855, and educated in the public schools of the township and also a select school established at Steinsville. In the Centennial year, 1876, he was licensed to teach and he taught his first term in Albany township, Berks county. The following two terms he was the teacher in the "Donat School" in Lynn township; but owing to the weakness of his eyes he was compelled to abandon a professional career, and then for eight years he assisted his father in farming operations. In 1888 he became the farmer of the place, and he has since carried on the farm, being now the owner of it. In politics he is a Democrat and he has served the township as a school director. For twenty-five years he was prominently identified with Sabbath-school work at Steinsville, having served as superintendent for many years; but in 1910 he was also obliged to discontinue his earnest efforts in that behalf. He has been one of the most earnest advocates of the reunions of the Lutz family since its organization. Mr. Donat was married to Victoria A. Lutz on February 18, 1883, and they have four children: Annie V. (wife of Charles O. Oswald, farmer near Jacksonville, and she is a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, and a former teacher in Lynn township); Charles L. (educated in the local schools and the Normal School at Kutztown, and now taking a special course in the Agricultural Department of the Pennsylvania State College); Thomas A. (who died in infancy); and Hattie M.

LEWIS J. DONAT, a prosperous agriculturist of Lynn township, son of Aaron, was born near Wanamaker on May 27, 1858, reared upon a farm. He attended the public schools of his district, and was in the employ of his father on the farm until he became thirty years old, having been paid a salary at the rate of \$65 per annum after he had become of age. In 1884 he

moved upon the farm where he has since resided, and in 1888 he began to cultivate it for himself, in which he has been very successful. The tract contains 90½ acres.

In 1814, Michael Brobst sold this farm to Jacob Sechler and from him it descended to his son Jacob. The next owners were Albright & Wagner; and Aaron Donat became the purchaser in 1873, and it continued in his name until 1897, when the title passed to the present owner. The buildings are of a superior character, Mr. Donat having built the dwelling in 1899, and the large barn in 1905. There is an old log house still on the property which was the second dwelling on the land since its occupancy by the first settler.

Mr. Donat has affiliated with the Democratic party; and he is a member of the Reformed congregation at the Jacobs church, which he has served as deacon, elder and trustee. He was married on June 18, 1882, to Mary A. Scheetz, and they have three children: Calvin N., Edwin A. (who has been a school teacher of Lynn township since 1908), and Harry J. (student at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster.)

#### DORNEY FAMILY.

The name Dorney is found in old records spelled various ways, as Durney, Dorni, Thurney, Turnet and Tournet. From the latter spelling it appears that the name was of French origin.

Henry Dorney, who arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 30, 1743, settled in Whitehall township, where we find the first mention of him on Nov. 10, 1745, when Eva Catharine, a daughter of Henry and Appolonia Dorney, was baptized. The sponsors were Lorentz Guth, Daniel Trachsel, Catharine Bear, and Eva Catharine, eldest daughter of Adam Deshler. In 1768, Henry Dorney rented 300 acres of land from Caspar Wistar, for which he was taxed £24. 16s. 0. He died previous to Dec. 18, 1771, leaving a number of children.

Peter Dorney, who arrived at Philadelphia Oct. 12, 1741, settled in this vicinity, as his name appears in 1749.

Daniel Dorney was taxed in Macungie township in 1768 upon sixty acres of cultivated and one hundred and forty acres of uncultivated land. On Dec. 31, 1774, Mary Plumstead, widow, and the executor of the late William Plumstead, Esq., sold to Daniel Dorney (spelled Turney) four tracts of land for 900£. Two hundred seventy-nine acres of this land was located along the Cedar creek. Daniel Dorney died in 1779. He and his wife Elizabeth had eleven children: John; Daniel; Henry; Philip; Anna Maria, wife of Lorentz Guth, Jr.; Eve; Barbara; Catharine;

Magdalena; Peter; and Adam, who was born in 1768.

Daniel Dorney, son of Daniel, was the owner of 140 acres of land in Whitehall and 49 acres in Salisbury township. He died intestate in 1788. He married, in 1771, Eva Barbara Guth, daughter of Lorentz Guth, Sr. She was born Jan. 8, 1749, and died Sept. 5, 1826. They had two children: Eva Catharine Dorney, born Jan. 30, 1772, and married a Mr. Myer; and Peter Dorney, born Jan. 5, 1775, and died Feb. 7, 1815. He was a saddler by occupation and had no children. Eva Barbara, widow of Daniel Dorney, subsequently married George Henry Mertz, who was born Sept. 4, 1755, and died July 23, 1827. With the second marriage she had one son, Henry Mertz, who was born July 21, 1782, and died March 11, 1844. Peter Dorney, saddler, having no children, left his property to his god-son, Charles Mertz, the son of his step-brother, Henry Mertz. This included the mansion house erected by his father, Daniel Dorney, Jr., and the 140-acre tract in Whitehall township.

Adam Dorney, who was probably a brother of Daniel, Sr., died in 1818. He was the owner of 150 acres in Whitehall township and served as an ensign in the Revolution. He and his wife Eva Margaret had six children: Peter, Adam, John, Margaret, Henry, and Hannah.

Peter Dorney, the eldest son, was born Oct. 2, 1771. He was a farmer and hotel-keeper at Dorneysville. He married, May 9, 1797, Mary Susanna Beck. She was born Sept. 24, 1772, and died July 28, 1858. Their children were: John, born in 1802 and died in 1871, he married Elizabeth Biery, and had eight children; Saloma, wife of Henry Schantz; Kate, born in 1800 and died single in 1875; and William, born in 1807 and died in 1881. He married Mary A. Mertz, and had a son, Henry and four daughters, Rebecca, married David Flexer; Emma, Maria, and Mat-tie A.

John Dorney, son of Peter and Mary Susanna (Beck) Dorney, was born Nov. 4, 1802. He was a farmer and hotel-keeper at Dorneysville and also a dealer in grain and lumber. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Catharine (Troxell) Biery. She was born March 12, 1810, and died Feb. 10, 1885. Mr. Dorney died March 18, 1871. Their children were: Tilghman; David; Mary, married James Yeager; Mrs. Adam Merkel; Matilda, married Edwin Muse; William; Elizabeth C., married Wm. F. Ruth; Lydia A., married Edwin H. Romig; Sallie A., married Willoughby Kline; Daniel D., born Aug. 19, 1848, died Dec. 3, 1912; and Leanda, died young.

Adam Dorney, second son of Adam Dorney, Sr., was born Sept. 26, 1774, and died March 29, 1845. He married Mary Magdalena Bogert. She was born Oct. 11, 1780, and died Oct. 20, 1840. They are buried in the Salisbury church cemetery.

Solomon Dorney, son of Adam Dorney, Jr., was born Feb. 6, 1807, and died April 20, 1856. He married Susanna Scholl, daughter of David Scholl. She was born Oct. 27, 1810, and died Nov. 25, 1890. They had six children: Solomon; Charles A.; William T.; Isabella, wife of Tilghman H. Dorney; Ellen, wife of Dr. C. H. Apple; and Mary, wife of Thomas B. Faust.

Charles A. Dorney, son of Solomon, Sr., was born May 20, 1844, at the old homestead. He spent his youth upon the farm, attended the district school and was employed in mercantile pursuits. In 1869 he embarked in the furniture trade with Henry Berkemeyer under the firm name of Berkemeyer & Dorney. In 1873 Mr. Dorney sold his interest to Thomas B. Faust & Company. Five years later he again became interested in the company as the sole owner, after which he incorporated the C. A. Dorney Furniture Company. In 1898 Mr. Dorney retired from business, at which time the paid up capital of the firm was \$200,000 and it employed two hundred men. He owned 12,000 acres of land at Hickory Run and was president of the Hickory Run Brick Company. On Dec. 10, 1865, Mr. Dorney married Caroline, daughter of Charles Mertz. They had no children. He died May 8, 1903.

The other children of Adam Dorney, Sr., were John, born Jan. 18, 1778; Margaret, born Jan. 9, 1781, and died Nov. 10, 1852, who married, April 21, 1800 Christopher Mohr; Henry, born Aug. 19, 1786, and died Sept. 4, 1871. He married Mary Mertz, and had children: Peter, Tilghman; Henry; Eliza, wife of Edwin Acker; Mary Ann, wife of August Christ, of Bethlehem; Carolina, wife of Andrew Keck; Lucy, wife of Henry Ludwig; Clara, wife of Charles Litzenberger; and Sarah, wife of Frank Farry.

Hannah Dorney, youngest daughter of Adam Dorney, Sr., was born Aug. 25, 1783, and died March 9, 1844. She married Gen. Henry Mertz. They had eighteen children. Adam Dorney, Sr., bequeathed £800 to each of his two daughters, a tract of 10½ acres to his son, Henry, and the balance of his land to his other three sons.

Solomon Dorney, father of Oliver C. Dorney, was born Aug. 12, 1831, and died June 11, 1901. He was a farmer, and at one time engaged extensively in the manufacture of carriages and sleighs. He also conducted Dorney's Park for thirty years, as well as a general store. For fif-







*J. J. Dorney*



*Miss J. Dorney*



teen or twenty years he held the office of postmaster of Cedarville, Lehigh county. He married Elmina, daughter of Jonas and Lydia (Jones) Faust, and their children were: Ellen R., widow of H. O. Weaver; Franklin T.; Oliver C.; Albert H.; and Edward J.

Mrs. Dorney was a woman of unusual intelligence and energy and assisted her husband in his duties as postmaster and in the conduct of a general store.

FRANKLIN T. DORNEY, son of Solomon, was born in South Whitehall, Dec. 26, 1854. He was educated in the public schools and the Allentown Business College, after which he assisted his father in his general store at Cetronia and in the establishment of Dorney's Park. He then learned the baker trade in the county home bakery, and subsequently erected a building at the park, where he established the Dorney Park Bakery, which he still conducts and in which he has met with unusual success. He is the owner of several homes and a tract of land at the park, and holds membership in the Reformed Church. Mr. Dorney married, in 1877, Emma L. G., daughter of David and Abigail (Handwerk) Gilbert, and they have five children: Jennie, married Richard Peters; Cleon, married Beulah Henninger; Ellis, married Annie Guth; Marcus, married Edna Woodring; and Russell.

OLIVER CHARLES DORNEY, son of Solomon and Elmina (Faust) Dorney, was born March 18, 1862, in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. He received his early education in the district schools from which he graduated at the age of fifteen. Upon the completion of his public school education in 1878, he entered business college in the city of Allentown, where he completed the course and having been a first honor graduate was at once retained as a teacher of these subjects, teaching during the winter months and helping his parents in their business during the summer months.

After having definitely determined to make the teaching of business his life work, and realizing the need of expert and special training along these lines he, in 1884, entered Kibbe's Writing Parlors and Gallery of Pen Art, Utica, N. Y., placing himself under the direct and personal supervision of H. W. Kibbe (the proprietor) that famous pen artist, who, as a critic and all-around penman in every branch of the art, had no superior and few if any equals.

Upon the completion of this professional course he returned to assume the management of the local business college, until the spring of 1899, when he resigned his position to establish The American Commercial School of which he is still president.

In 1895 his institution was incorporated and chartered under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, with a capital stock of \$30,000.00, which represents the cost of its equipments, and there are few schools in America that compare with it in appointments and facilities for the successful training of young men and women for business pursuits.

During the early eighties, in addition to the practical training in his father's large manufacturing plant, general store and post office, he acquired broad and valuable experience as general manager of the famous Dorney Park and Trout Hatchery which was established by his father, and which remained in the family, not only as the family homestead, but also as the most popular summer resort in eastern Pennsylvania, visited annually by several hundred thousand people including sportsmen who were attracted from all sections of the country for the angling of "speckled beauties" in season.

After his father's death the old homestead and park was sold to the Allentown & Reading Traction Company, on whose lines it is located.

Owing to his wide and practical experience as a business man and accountant, he, through his uncle, C. A. Dorney, who financed this road and who held its controlling interest, was appointed to the position of chief accountant, which afforded him an opportunity to become familiar with the details of the electric railroad business, and which soon led to the promotion to the position of general manager and which he held for a number of years. Upon the death of his uncle, however, he resigned his position with the electric railroad company to devote his entire time to the school founded by him.

With such able leadership the growth of the school was so rapid that three times it outgrew its quarters, compelling it to seek larger and better accommodations until it finally had built for its own convenience and requirements, according to the plans and specifications of its founder, an entire floor in the Y. M. C. A. building, located on the southeast corner of Centre Square, a structure costing, with its equipments, a quarter million of dollars, and where it is still located.

The object, however, of locating in the Y. M. C. A. building was three-fold:

First: To secure the needed accommodations in floor space.

Secondly: To throw around every student the highly moral and spiritual influences such as the Y. M. C. A. only could afford.

Thirdly: To conduct the educational classes of the Y. M. C. A. affording its members all the advantages and facilities of every department of the institution.

Hence, the advantages of both institutions have become affiliated, and in this connection it should be said that since President Dorney foresaw the incalculable benefits to be derived by the members of both institutions through the consolidation of interests as indicated, to him belongs the honor of effecting the first arrangement of this nature ever made in this country between any purely business educational institution and a Young Men's Christian Association.

The crowning feature of this educational institution, however, is its employment service, which, like the school is regularly incorporated and has been in successful operation since the organization of the school in 1889. Through it upwards of 12,000 young men and women have been placed into positions of responsibility and trust.

In 1895, he erected the Dorney building, the first apartment building in the city.

In this building he organized "The O. C. Dorney Co.," for the purpose of conducting a general designing, engraving and printing business. The first two floors are equipped with all the latest and best electric machinery, all of which was electrically controlled by the mere pressing of a button and was considered the most modern and up-to-date plant of its kind in America.

In 1900, Mr. Dorney was commissioned by the State Board of Examiners and chartered by the governor of the State of Pennsylvania, conferring upon him the degree of C. P. A. (Certified or Chartered Public Accountant).

For years, however, before as well as after this commission was conferred upon him, he devoted much of his time to the adjustment of partnership, manufacturing and corporation affairs, as well as doing auditing, and public accounting work of every variety, the planning and installing of office systems, preparing and supervising advertising campaigns for many of the largest concerns in this section of the country.

As an expert penman, he has also for many years been consulted by, and frequently figured in, the local courts as a witness and expert on forged or questioned hand-writing.

In 1905, he drew up his own plans for and immediately started in the building of twenty modern, three-story, nine-room houses, consisting of brick, stone and cement, in one of the most desirable sections of Allentown, involving an investment of upwards of \$100,000.00, making a most valuable addition to one of the city's most important suburbs.

Mr. Dorney is an inventor. Not only of an intensely practical, but also of an inventive turn of mind, he devotes what spare hours he has at his command to the development of practical and useful devices.

He has invented and holds letters patent and copyrights on the following:

Adjustable school desks.

Adjustable school, office and typewriter chairs.

Adjustable typewriter and reading tables.

Adjustable artists' and drafting tables.

Adjustable copy-holders and devices for teaching touch typewriting.

Electric signal clock.

Adjustable neck-tie guard.

The Dorneyrian system of spelling.

The Dorneyrian card system for roll call.

The Safe Guard Check and Banking System: an entirely new, novel and effective system for indexing records for the various makes of talking machines, as well as numerous other time and labor-saving office systems and devices.

He is a prominent and active member of the following organizations: The National Commercial Teacher's Federation; the Private Commercial School Managers' Association; the Eastern Commercial Teacher's Association; the National Association of Accountants and Bookkeepers; the Bookkeepers' Literary Club; the National League of Business Educators; the National Association of Accredited Commercial School; the Allentown Chamber of Commerce. In the last named organization he has served on the committee of statistics, publication and advertising for many years.

In 1883, he was married to Jennie Clapp Reynolds Wood, daughter of a prominent contractor and builder of Providence, R. I., who has been actively engaged and deeply interested in her husband's welfare not only in the founding of The American Commercial School, but also in filling the important position of matron and instructor in moral and business ethics.

Mrs. Dorney, a woman of exceptional talent and energy, joined to a most attractive personality, is of English descent, and the great-great-granddaughter of Samuel Gorton, one of the founders of American liberties; twice president judge; one of the authors of the fine political code adopted by the first assembly of the United Colonies of the Providence, R. I., Plantation; the writer of a statute against negro slavery and the first edict adopted in America; a noted author and writer and whose writings and words have been recognized and recently commented upon by the leading newspapers and magazines of the country, notably among which *The Christian Science Monitor*, published in Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Dorney is a Colonial Dame and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, on five direct lines, and her husband's success in educational, as well as in every one of his other business and professional enterprises, is largely



due to her influence and indomitable efforts to be the greatest possible service to him.

The work to which Mr. Dorney has thus far devoted his life is far-reaching, the knowledge and training acquired in the institution on which he has stamped the impress of his personality being carried by his pupils to every part of our own land and to every quarter of the globe. It is also enduring, in that its influence will not cease with his own life or with the lives of those whose characters and destinies he has helped to mould. It will animate the generations of the future. His influence is always exerted on the side of reforms and good government, and no project which, in his judgment tends to further the welfare and progress of Allentown, ever lacks his co-operation and support. In politics he is a Progressive Republican.

#### DREISBACH FAMILY.

Simon Dreisbach was born Aug. 7, 1698, in Witgenstein, on the Danube, near Ratisbon, now Bavaria, and came to America Sept. 20, 1743, at the age of 45 years. He settled in Lehigh township, Northampton county, where he died March 21, 1785, and was buried at Kreidersville Stone church. He and his wife, Mary, had sons: Jost, Adam, John, and Simon.

Jost Dreisbach was born Nov. 21, 1721, and died Oct. 17, 1794. He was a member of the County Committee of Observation in 1774, captain of a company from Lehigh township in 1775, and colonel of the Third Battalion of the county in 1776. He married Elizabeth Rachenberger and had children: Catharine, born March 5, 1754, m. Henry Bauman; Elizabeth, born April 23, 1755; John J., born Oct. 20, 1757; Simon, born July 10, 1760; Adam, born Oct. 25, 1762; Jost, born April 11, 1764, died March 18, 1854, m. Margaret Solt, b. 1764, d. 1842, and had sons: John, Daniel, and Peter; Gertrude; Appolonia; Philip; Michael; Susanna; and Magdalena.

Adam Dreisbach, second son of Simon, Sr., was born in Oberndorf, Witgenstein, Nov. 13, 1722, and died near Easton, Jan. 10, 1803. He was confirmed in the Reformed Church and married, in 1749, Susanna Koerber. They had three sons and five daughters.

Simon Dreisbach, Jr., was born at Oberndorf, Feb. 18, 1730, and died near Weaversville, Dec. 17, 1806. He was a farmer and miller in Lehigh township, and at the outbreak of the Revolution was a member of the Provincial Convention. He was a member of the Assembly from 1776 to 1780, and on Oct. 20, 1782, became a member of the Council of Censors. After the war he

served several terms in the Assembly and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1790. His first wife, Maria Dorothea, died in 1773. He married, second, Mrs. Anna Maria Kuder, daughter of Conrad Fuchs. He had eleven children, four of whom: George, born Jan. 31, 1756; Adam, born May 8, 1761; Daniel, born May 29, 1764; and Sophia, born Feb. 1, 1766, were deaf and dumb. His other children were: John, born Aug. 21, 1752, died Sept. 20, 1825; Peter, born Nov. 3, 1757; Jacob, born July 27, 1759; Elizabeth, born Aug. 29, 1762; Magdalena, born Dec. 1, 1767; Catherine, born Jan. 8, 1769, married, July 9, 1787, George Butz; and Susanna born Jan. 25, 1771, married (1st) George Deshler, and had children: Mary and David, and (2d) a Mr. Lynn.

Jacob Dreisbach, third son of Simon, Jr., was born July 27, 1759, and died Jan. 14, 1817. He was an ensign in the Revolution and married Anna Margaret Bieber, born March 27, 1763, died April 6, 1857. Jacob Dreisbach, son of Jacob, was born Aug. 6, 1794, and died April 30, 1825. He married Magdalena Bliem, born Jan. 25, 1798, died Nov. 2, 1847. They had four daughters. Catharine Dreisbach, daughter of Jacob, Sr., married Abraham Helman. He was the son of Christian and Rosanna Helman, whose children were: Catharine, m. Daniel Rohn; Magdalena, m. Caspar Rohn; John; Anna Maria; Jacob; Rachel, m. Nicholas Mittenberger; Abraham; and Elizabeth, m. Michael Kressler. Abraham and Catharine (Dreisbach) Helman had six children: Sarah, m. Wm. Fennicle; Reuben, m. Mary Schnell; Edward, m. Emmeline Scholl; William, m. Julia Briggs; Abraham; and Katharine, m. Alexander Miller.

Abraham Helman, Jr., was born in 1825, and died in 1907. He was a wheelwright and contractor and built many saw-mills and coal breakers near White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, and Hazleton. He married, in 1849, Mary M. Drum, of Butler Valley, who died in Missouri. Their children are: George, with the Southern Pacific Railway, at San Antonio, Texas; Hiram F., of Sluheck & Helman, printers, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. William Kildare; Alice; and Laura, Jennie and Lillian, who are active members of the First Presbyterian church of Catasauqua, and members of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R.

Henry Dreisbach was born Nov. 17, 1800, and died March 14, 1890. He married Elizabeth Solt, who was born Feb. 12, 1802, and died Sept. 9, 1881. They are buried at Kreidersville church.

Daniel Dreisbach, son of Henry, was born at Kreidersville, and was a shoemaker. He enlisted in the United States army in the Civil War, and died at Memphis, Tenn., where he was buried.

He married Christiana Kratzer, who died in 1914, aged 81 years.

AMMON P. DREISBACH, son of Daniel, engineer of the Trexler Lumber Company, was born Dec. 12, 1850, at Pennsville. He attended school until the age of sixteen, after which he worked on the farm for three years and learned the miller's trade, which he followed for ten years. He then became a locomotive fireman on the L. V. R. R., and after being thus employed for nearly nine years, became the first fireman of the Allentown Steam Heat & Power Company, which supplied the power to the street railway system.

He was subsequently engineer for E. J. Schneck & Sons for ten years, and for the Atlas Portland Cement Company for three years. In 1906 he became chief engineer for the Trexler Lumber Company, which position he still fills most acceptably. He is affiliated with the American Order of Steam Engineers (being financial secretary), and the Independent Order of Americans.

Mr. Dreisbach married (1st) Flora Anna, daughter of Phaon and Margaret Dorward. She died Feb. 22, 1906. They had 12 children: Robert; Jennie; Marie; Mabel; Charles; Russell; Ada; Edward G.; Halpin, in the United States infantry, serving at Honolulu; Maud, and two that died in infancy. He married (2d) Nov. 29, 1909, Mary Alice, daughter of Daniel and Caroline Sensinger. Mr. Dreisbach is a Lutheran and his wife is a member of the United Evangelical Church.

#### AMANDUS DREISBACH.

Simon Driesbach followed the carpenter trade for a number of years, afterwards the butcher business. He enlisted as a soldier in the Civil War, in which he contracted sickness while in service, and after serving about two years, he came home and died shortly afterwards. He was married to Susan Lorish, with whom he had the following children: Elemina, married to Edward Sherry, of Parrysville; Alexander, born in 1849, died in March, 1912. Harriet married to Lawrence Seizer, she died in 1880; Amandus, of Hokendauqua; Fretta, married to Robert Sherry, of Norristown; Nathaniel, deceased; and Robert, South Bethlehem. Mr. and Mrs. Dreisbach are buried at the Towamensing church.

Amandus Dreisbach, a son of Simon and Susan (Larish) Dreisbach, was born in Carbon county, Dec. 2, 1854. The first eighteen years of his life were spent on the farm. He then began working at public works in his native county. He was employed by the Carbon Iron Company until 1876, when he moved to Hokendauqua and became an employee of the Thomas Iron Com-

pany, where he has filled various positions of trust up to the present. He is the general foreman in the furnace department since 1888. Socially he holds membership in the following organizations: Catasauqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F.; No Surrender Council, Jr. O. U. A. M.; and the David Thomas Lodge, Knights of Friendship. Mr. Dreisbach and family are members of the Reformed congregation of Mickley's church. He was a member of the school board of Hokendauqua independent district for eight years. In 1873 he was married to Belinda Silfies, a daughter of Reuben and Lucinda (Smith) Silfies, formerly from Kunkeltown, later from Hokendauqua. This union was blessed with ten children: William, a graduate of the K. S. N. S.; Robert Y., deceased; Lillie E., married to Palmer Bartholomew, of Coplay; Susan E., deceased; Helen L., married to Irwin Saeger, Hokendauqua; Mary B.; Emily R., married to Frank Steckel, Cementon; David A., deceased; Florence C., deceased; and Paul Newell, a graduate of the Hokendauqua high school.

#### DUBS FAMILY.

On the 30th of September, 1732, the ship "Dragon," Charles Hargrave, master, entered the port of Philadelphia. On board were one hundred and eighty-five passengers, most of whom were in fact, natives of Switzerland, from which country there was then an extensive emigration to America.

Among the passengers was a young Swiss gunsmith named Jacob Dubs. When the ship arrived at Philadelphia he was ill and could not personally appear to be qualified so that the clerks had every opportunity to play havoc with his name. In one list it is written "Tubs" and in another "Dubbs."

Jacob Dubs was born August 31, 1710, in the hamlet of Aesch, parish of Birmensdorf, Canton, of Zurich, Switzerland. His parents, Jacob Dubs and Anna Glattli, of Bachstetten, had been married in the parish church of Birmensdorf, March 24, 1705. Two older sons both successively named Hans Ulrich, had died in early infancy, and Jacob remained only surviving child.

The Dubs family had for many generations been settled at Birmensdorf and in the neighboring village of Affoltern. For a long time they had been gunsmiths, but in the earliest records they are called armorers.

Though so long resident in Switzerland, there was a tradition that the stock had been remotely of Bohemian origin. The name certainly comes from the Bohemian (Czech) word dub, which signifies an oak. More directly it is held to be derived from the name of a town near Prague,



called Duba ("The Oaks"), or in German Eichen, or Aycha. In Bohemia the name is well known, though in the language of the country it is often written Dubsky. According to Merian ("Topographia Bohemia," p. 26), the families Von Eichen and Berka were originally named Dubs, the name first mentioned being a translation and the second derived from an estate. A branch of the Bohemian family, the tradition relates, became Hussites in the fifteenth century, and during the succeeding wars were compelled to flee to the Austrian province of Styria, where we find them settled in 1446. The head of the family there entered the military service, and distinguished himself in an expedition against the Swiss. He was knighted on the field of battle by the Emperor Maximilian I., who also gave him the privilege of occupying a clearing in the imperial forest. The arms granted on this occasion were carefully preserved by his descendants, and were recognized and approved by Frederick I., King of Prussia, in 1701. They appear in the "Europäische Wappensammlung," published by John Rudolph Helmers, Nuremberg, 1705, Vol. V, p. 38, and represent a silver lance with pennon on a blue shield, surmounted, as a crest, by three ostrich feathers (the Bohemian Plumes), two silver and a centre blue.

About the beginning of the protestant reformation a younger son or grandson, of the Styrian knight removed to Switzerland. The motives of his removal it might now be difficult to determine, but it may perhaps be supposed that he was influenced by Hussite family traditions to cast his lot with the rising cause of the reformation. At any rate, he became an earnest protestant, while the family in Styria has remained catholic to the present day.

Having settled some six or eight miles from the city of Zurich, the Styrian immigrant became a manufacturer of weapons. In 1531, Zurich was unexpectedly invaded by the army of the Catholic cantons, and the artisan at once became a soldier. He fought bravely in the army of defence, but lost his life, with the Reformer Zwingli, in the fatal battle of Cappel, October 11, 1531. It is recorded in the ancient chronicle of the church at Affoltern that the armorer (der Waffenschmid) Dubs, of Birmensdorf, was slain at Cappel in defence of his faith. The fact is also stated by Henry Bullinger, the successor of Zwingli, in his "Reformation Geschichte" (reprint of 1840, Vol. III, p. 153); but in this case the author has got the name twisted and makes it Jacob Dubbs.

Jacob Dubs, the subject of our sketch, became, like his father, a gunsmith. He was fairly well educated and wrote an excellent hand. Family

tradition has it that in his early boyhood his mother died. His father married a second time and had another son, then he, too, passed away. By this time Jacob was of age, and after due consideration he determined to emigrate. Several of his cousins, "nearer or more remote," had already crossed the sea.

Arriving in Pennsylvania, it was but natural that he should seek the society of his countrymen; and we next find him at Great Swamp, in what was then Bucks county, where the Rev. John Henry Goetschius, of Zurich, had recently founded a congregation. On the oldest list of members his name appears.

Not far from the Great Swamp Church, in what is now Lower Milford township, Lehigh county, Jacob Dubs fixed his home. The tract had hitherto been unoccupied, and, according to the earliest draft, all the surrounding land was vacant, except that Jacob Wetzel had just taken up a piece along its southern line. The earliest survey was made for Jacob Dubs by Nicholas Scull on the 28th of September, 1734. According to this survey, the "home farm" originally included one hundred and fifty acres, "with the usual allowance of six per cent.," but it was increased by subsequent purchases. A branch of the Perkiomen ran through the tract and furnish excellent water power. One of the settler's first acts was to utilize this stream by the erection of a small forge, where he engaged in the manufacture of arms and iron implements. He was, first of all, a gunsmith, but it was said of him that he made everything "from a plough to a darning-needle." Men called him "ein Tausendkünstler," which was a rather polite way of saying that he was a "Jack of all trades." At a later date he made, in his leisure hours, a musical instrument called "ein Flügel"—a harpsichord, an instrument now superseded by the piano—which was long in possession of the descendants. Though his various enterprises were continued by his son and grandsons the fact remains that he laid the foundations of what were in their day a series of important undertakings.

In 1734, Jacob Dubs was "duly qualified and invested with all the rights of natural-born subject of Pennsylvania." A little later he was married to Veronica Welker, who was a native of the Upper Palatinate, but had relatives in America. George Welker, of Goshenhoppen, who speculated extensively in land, and whose name appears on many ancient deeds, was nearly related. She is said to have been a woman of some culture, and, when the neighborhood began to be settled, she gathered the children in her kitchen and taught them to read.

The following list of children of Jacob and Veronica Dubs is extracted, with the correction of a single date, from the records of the Great Swamp Church:

1. FELIX, born February 28, 1738, baptized by the Rev. J. H. Goetschius. Sponsors, Felix Brunner and his wife Barbara.

2. BARBARA, born April 5, 1744; baptized by the Rev. George Michael Weiss. Sponsors Jacob Wetzel and Barbara Wetzel.

3. MARGARETHA, born 1746; baptized by the Rev. G. M. Weiss. Sponsor, Anna Maria Wetzel.

4. DANIEL, born October 5, 1748; baptized by the Rev. G. M. Weiss. Sponsors, Daniel Christman and his wife Margaret.

5. ELIZABETH, born October 16, 1750; baptized by the Rev. G. M. Weiss. Sponsor, Elizabeth Huber.

That the family, like other pioneers, was exposed to dangers and privations will be readily understood. This is illustrated by a tradition related to the writer by a descendant. There were wolves in the woods near the house, and when Daniel was a little boy he often amused himself by imitating their barking. Once, while he was doing this, a wolf rushed out of the woods to attack him; but he escaped by running to the open window of the kitchen, and his mother drew him in.

Jacob Dubs was a man of peace, but when the Indians were making incursions into the Lehigh Valley, he joined a military company and followed the enemy beyond the Blue Mountains. They tracked the Indians for many miles, but there was no conflict.

In the welfare of the church the subject of this sketch was profoundly interested. He was chosen a ruling elder, and it has been mentioned as a somewhat unusual fact that in the same congregation this office was held by three generations of his descendants.

About the year 1759 the family was visited by a severe affliction. The eldest son Felix, had grown up to be a bright young man, was still unmarried. Having started for Philadelphia with a load of farm produce, he spent a night at North Wales, at the house of Matthias Schwenk, whose daughter Elizabeth was afterwards married to his brother, Daniel. Rising early in the morning, while it was dark, Felix fell into the well, which, it seems, was not properly covered, and was drowned.

The daughters were all happily married. Barbara became the wife of Jacob Boyer, a man who was highly esteemed in the community. During the revolution he sold his farm, and was paid in depreciated money. Becoming financially

involved, he removed to the West, and finally settled in Tennessee, where he is said to have many descendants. After some years he revisited his old home in Pennsylvania and paid all his old debts, with interest.

Margaretha became the second wife of Jacob Dillinger, and had three children. Her descendants are numerous.

Elizabeth was married to Jacob Haak, of Berks county, and from them many of the Haaks, Sells, Gabels, and other Berks county families derive descent.

When the daughters were married, Daniel, the only surviving son of Jacob Dubs, remained with his parents at the homestead. As he had grown up to be a man of almost gigantic frame and was of good mental capacity, his father's business naturally passed into his control. In 1772 the father sold his real estate to his son for three hundred and fifty popunds.

The exact date of the death of Jacob Dubs the writer has not been able to determine. The church records are for several years incomplete, and his tombstone has crumbled so that its inscription has become illegible. The writer has the impression that he lived to the age of sixty-five, so that his death must have occurred in 1775 and this date cannot be far out of the way. His wife survived him several years. Both lie buried in the old church-yard of the congregation of which they were members, adjacent to the tomb of their son, Daniel.

It may be interesting to add that, under the care of Daniel Dubs, the industries established by his father were greatly extended. After his marriage to Elizabeth Schwenk, he built for himself a large brick house, which is still standing in excellent condition. According to undisputed tradition, it was the first brick house built within the present limits of Lehigh county.

The forge erected by his father was enlarged, and became what would now be called a machine shop. In those days they called it "die Schleifmuehle." Sickles were produced in large numbers, and screw-augers manufactured there not many years after their invention by Judge William Henry, of Lancaster. The business finally passed into the hands of his son, John, who was no less skilful than his father. At this shop a large number of muskets were made for the government during the war of 1812.

The grist mill was built about the beginning of the present century. It became especially well known for peculiarly fine buckwheat flour, which was a staple article in the Philadelphia markets.

To trace the history of the several industries established by Daniel Dubs would be impossible without access to original records, and these have



apparently long since disappeared. There was, however, a tannery, as well as a sawmill, an oil-mill, and, in fact, a whole cluster of enterprises, such as in those days were not infrequently conducted by a single man. In December, 1824, Daniel Dubs disposed of his real estate by selling it to three of his sons. John took the forge, Daniel, Jr., the mill, and Jacob, the tannery. They had, in fact, been in possession of these interests at a much earlier period, and in 1815 a division was effected by written agreement, but it seems to have been discovered that a more formal act of transfer was a legal necessity.

Elizabeth Dubs, the mother of the family, passed away from life on the 20th of February, 1818. Her husband, Daniel, lived more than ten years longer, and died September 22, 1828. The following were the surviving children:

1. ANNA MARIA, born June 27, 1777. Married to Henry Eberhard. The late Michael D. Eberhard, of Allentown was her son.

2. JACOB, born June 21, 1779; died May 17, 1852. He received a part of the home farm, and built a stone house which is still (1894) occupied by the widow and daughter of his youngest son. One of his grandsons, the Rev. Jacob G. Dubbs, is a minister in Lehigh county.

3. HENRY, removed to Hamilton, Butler county, Ohio, about 1825, and has many descendants. The wife of the Rev. F. W. Berleman, D.D., pastor of Salem Church, on Fairmount avenue, near Fourth street, Philadelphia, is a granddaughter.

4. DANIEL, born April 7, 1786. In 1836 he removed to Montgomery county, Ohio. One of his sons, Daniel L., was a graduate of Heidelberg College, Ohio, and for some time a student at the Theological Seminary in Mercersburg. He became an officer in the army, and was fatally wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg.

5. JOHN, born September 5, 1788; died November 25, 1869. He lived all his life at the old homestead, which at his death passed to Aaron his only son.

6. SOLOMON, born October 10, 1794; died May 24, 1880. He resided near Allentown, Pennsylvania, and has descendants.

7. REV. JOSEPH S., born October 16, 1796; died April 14, 1877.

Joseph S. Dubbs, the first Reformed pastor of St. John's Church Mickley's, Pa., was born at the old family homestead in Upper Milford (now Lower Milford township), Lehigh county, Pa., on the 16th day of October, 1796.

In an unfinished autobiographical sketch he gives the following account of his early Christian training:

During the long winter evenings we were re-

quired to commit the Catechism and read the Psalter and New Testament. We read alternately and the elder were the teachers of the younger, and each one manifested a degree of zeal and anxiety to excel such as is rarely found in schools. On Sundays when there was no service in the church, we were required to spend the forenoon in religious study, but whenever it was possible we went to church and listened to the preaching of the gospel. After we returned from church and had taken dinner the Bible was brought and the chapter from which the text was taken read and commented upon. When this was done we were allowed to enjoy a little innocent recreation.

It was about the time of his confirmation that he felt an earnest longing to become a minister of the Gospel. He placed himself under the care of Rev. F. L. Herman, D.D., who prepared many candidates for his profession. For four years he was under the instructions of Dr. Herman. The school which he conducted was popularly known as the "Swamp College." In 1822 he was licensed to preach the gospel with special authority to administer the sacraments. He was ordained in 1823 at Kutztown. His first charge consisted of Windsor and Weiss churches. His salary from the whole charge amounted to \$100 per annum. In 1824 the Epless church, and in 1826 the Haines church was added to his charge of which he remained pastor until July, 1831.

In 1831 Father Dubbs accepted a call to the charge in Lehigh county consisting of Allentown, Egypt, Union and Jordan churches.

He remained pastor of this charge from 1831 to 1861; during the latter years he was assisted by his son, Alfred, and Rev. C. R. Hessler. It was while pastor of this charge that Mickley's Church was organized, of which he became the first Reformed pastor.

In 1861 he resigned the church in Allentown and continued to preach in the other congregations until 1868, when he resigned and removed to Allentown where he lived in retirement until his death which occurred April 14, 1877.

Dr. Dubbs was married twice, the first time in 1825 to Susan Getz, the second time in 1837 to Mrs. Eleanor Murphy.

The first marriage was blessed with three children, Rev. Alfred J. G. Dubbs and two daughters were respectively married to Owen L. Schreiber and James O. Shimer.

By the second marriage he had two sons. Silas who died in childhood and Joseph H.

Rev. Joseph S. Dubbs preached over eight thousand sermons, baptized 7,076 infants and adults, officiated at 2,778 funerals; solemnized 2,176 marriages.

Alfred Joseph Getz Dubbs was the oldest son of the Rev. Joseph S. Dubbs, D.D., and his wife, Susan, whose maiden name was Getz. He was born in Windsor township (now Perry), Berks County, Pa., on June 8, in the year 1826. In the spring of 1845 he went to Mercersburg, Pa., the seat of Marshall College, where he pursued his studies until the fall of 1849, when he took charge of a select school. Up to this time he had no fixed conviction in regard to his vocation in life, but now he must settle the question. For his subsequent history it would seem that the Lord had only one path which he was at liberty to pursue, and after the most earnest and prayerful consideration he felt it his duty to prepare for the Christian ministry. With this purpose he studied theology, and in the spring of 1851 East Pennsylvania Classis examined and licensed him, at its annual session, in Plainfield, Northampton county. In the fall of the same year he was ordained to the holy ministry, in Zion's Reformed Church, Allentown, where for one year he served in the capacity of assistant pastor to his father, preaching in the English language.

In 1852 he became pastor of the South Whitehall (Mickleys) Church, of which he remained the pastor to 1860. In 1857 Rev. Mr. Dubbs was called to the charge composed of Trexlertown, Macungie, Upper Milford, Salisbury, and Frieden's congregations, which he served faithfully and successfully for fourteen years, when the charge was divided and he became the pastor of the first four named congregations, which he served until 1876.

In 1875 Salem congregation was organized and Revs. A. J. G. Dubbs, W. R. Hoffer and Jared Fritzinger were appointed a committee of supply by Classis for the new Salem congregation. January 3, 1876, Rev. Mr. Dubbs was elected pastor. Two days previous (Jan. 1, 1876) he organized the Emaus Reformed congregation and continued as its pastor for a period of ten years.

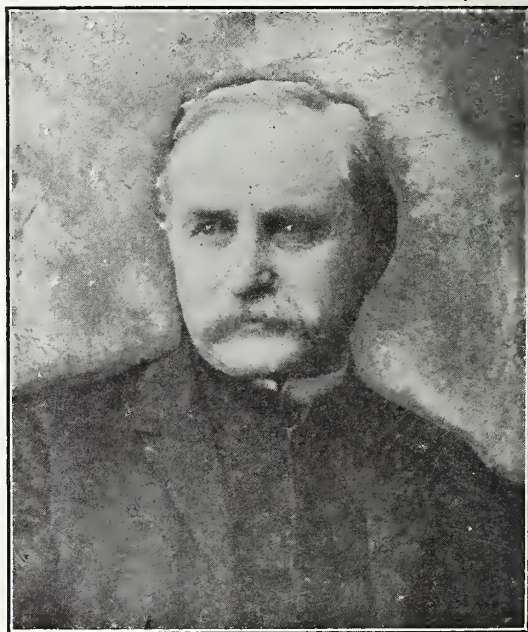
Dr. Dubbs was nearly fifty years old when he assumed the pastorate of Salem Church, and for sixteen years he brought a warm heart and living zeal to the work that made a lasting impression on the congregation. To this day the church is familiarly known as Dubb's Church. The church grew under his pastorate from 170 to twelve hundred members.

His health failing, he retired from active service January, 1892. He fell asleep in Allentown November 7, 1897.

Prof. Joseph H. Dubbs, D.D., son of Rev. Joseph and Eleanor D. Dubbs, was born in North Whitehall Oct. 5, 1838. At the early age of 14 he had completed his preparation for college and was brought by his father to the newly es-

tablished Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster. He completed the course at the Mercersburg Theological Seminary in 1859, was awarded the degree of D.D. by Ursinus College in 1878 and that of LL.D. by Heidelberg University, Ohio, in 1897.

Dr. Dubbs, began his ministry in the Reformed church in Allentown in 1859. He became the pastor of South Whitehall (Mickleys) church in 1860. He vacated that position in 1863 to accept a call to Pottstown, which he filled until 1871, when he became pastor of Christ Reformed Church, Philadelphia. In 1875 he was elected to the Audenried chair of History and Archaeology at Franklin and Marshall, which position



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he held up until the time of his death. He was frequently elected as delegate to the Assemblies of sister denominations, president of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church. While in Paris on a European tour in 1878, Dr. Dubbs was chosen a corresponding member of the Ethnographic Institute of France and in 1895 he was chosen as a Fellow in the Historical Society of Great Britain.

The literary work of Dr. Dubbs was both extensive and varied. From 1882 to 1886 he was editor of the "Guardian," a Reformed Publication and from 1894 to 1895 was one of the editors of the Reformed Church Messenger. He is the author of the Manual of the Reformed Church, The Reformed Church in Penn'a, History of



Franklin and Marshall College, Home Ballads and Metrical Versions, Why I Am Reformed, etc., etc. He was a contributor to the Encyclopedia Britannica, Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia, America Church History Series.

Dr. Dubbs died April 1, 1910, and is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Mary L. Wilson, together with his two sons, Henry A. Dubbs, Esq., a prominent lawyer of Pueblo, Colorado, and T. Wilson Dubbs, the Lancaster jeweler and his two daughters, Mrs. Frank Nish, of Hagerstown, Md., and Mrs. Clarke Kieffer, of Frederick, Md.

William S. Dubbs, yeoman of Emaus, is a son of Harrison W. Dubbs and a grandson of Solomon Dubbs, of Whitehall township. Solomon was born October 10, 1794, and died November 25, 1880; he was a son of Daniel Dubbs (1748-1828) and a grandson of Jacob Dubbs the emigrant. To Solomon Dubbs and his wife a born Schwartz were born the following children:

Robert, who married Carolina Ludwig, of Maxatawny township, Berks county, issue, Silas Dubbs and Mrs. John Jacoby, of Allentown.

Dahlia, married to Moses Keck, of Salisbury township; issue, Newton, Alfred, Alice, Emma, Florence and Maggie.

Harrison W., the father of William Harrison. Harrison Dubbs was born November 31, 1831, and was baptized by Rev. J. S. Dubbs January 15, 1832. He was a miller by trade and for many years conducted a mill in Salisbury township on the bank of Trout Stream, known generally as Dubbs Mills. In 1870 he purchased a small farm in Upper Saucon township. He died at Emaus March 21, 1901. He was married to Catharine Schuler, a daughter of Ludwig Schuler and Anna Geisinger. Mrs. Dubbs was born April 3, 1837, and died December 27, 1874, both Mr. and Mrs. Dubbs lie buried in the Linden Street Cemetery, Allentown. This union was blessed with two children: William S. and Agnes, who died at the age of six years.

William S. Dubbs was born in Salisbury township April 2, 1860, and was baptized by Rev. A. J. G. Dubbs July 21, 1860. As a young man he learned the trade of machinist. The years from 1876 to 1883 were spent in travel, mainly through the South and West. During the summer of 1883 he assisted Samuel Binkly and Samuel Dubbs in investigating and exploring the Indian Mounds of the Miami Valley, Ohio, this work was done under the auspices of Ohio State Museum and Smithsonian Institute of Washington, D. C. Mr. Dubbs himself procured several thousand fine specimens for the above named institutions. He returned in the fall of

1883, bringing with himself many beautiful and rare specimens of Indian workmanship. Ever since Mr. Dubbs has been adding to this collection until now he possesses one of the finest collections of Indian relics in the state. On March 30, 1886, he married Carrie Maria Engelman, a daughter of Lewis M. Engelman and his wife Catherine *nee* Harwick of Locust Valley, and began farming on his father's farm until in 1909 when he retired and erected a beautiful brick edifice on North Fourth street, Emaus. Mr. and Mrs. Dubbs are the proud parents of two sons.

Harry W., who was born July 16, 1892, was baptized by the Rev. A. J. G. Dubbs September 30, 1892. He is a graduate of the Emaus High school, class of 1909, and of the Allentown Preparatory school, class of 1911. At the preparatory school he distinguished in several departments and at graduation delivered the German oration. He expects to complete his collegiate training at Franklin and Marshall College and enter the ministry of the Reformed Church.

Warren William was born February 22, 1894, and was baptized July 3, 1894. After completing the township school course, he entered upon a machinist apprenticeship with L. F. Grammes and Sons at Allentown, Pa.

Besides the magnificent collection of Indian relics, Mr. Dubbs possesses many interesting and rare heirlooms and antiques, among which is the old Schuyler Family Bible, printed at Nuremberg, 1708.

Aaron Dubbs lived in Salisbury township, Lehigh county. He had a son, Solomon, who was a farmer in the same locality. The latter had a son, Robert, also a farmer and the owner of four tracts of land in Salisbury township. He was married to Caroline Ludwig, of Longswamp township, and they had two children: Silas S., and Ella.

Silas S. Dubbs was born Aug. 21, 1846, in Whitehall township, and was educated in the public schools. He began farming when he attained manhood, and became the owner of a farm of upwards of two hundred acres. He was enterprising and energetic in his methods. His death occurred on March 13, 1903, at the age of fifty-six years, and he was interred in Fairview cemetery, Allentown. Mr. Dubbs married Isabella, a daughter of Ephraim and Lovina (Haines) Wenner, and had children: Robert, who was educated for the medical profession, and is now a physician in Philadelphia; Oliver Franklin, born Dec. 25, 1871, married Sallie B, a daughter of Winfield S. and Amanda (Snyder)

Stephens, and has children: Mignon Winifred, and Alfred W.; Winifred V., married Horace O. Beebe; Gertrude, married Professor William A. Abernathy, principal of the Shamokin Business College, Shamokin, Pa.

#### NICHOLAS J. DUGAN.

Nicholas J. Dugan, one of the proprietors of the Catasauqua garage, is a son of Patrick Dugan, who came to America from Ireland when quite young. He was a furnace man and for a number of years worked at the Catasauqua furnace. He died March 21, 1882, and is buried at Calvary cemetery, Catasauqua. He was married to Mary Wilty, a daughter of John Wilty, of Ireland, later of Coplay. The results of this union was four children: John, proprietor of the Dreamland moving picture theatre at Coplay; Lawrence, signalman with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company; Edward, of Coplay; and Nicholas J. Mrs. Dugan was married second time to Bernard O'Neill, and now resides at Catasauqua.

Nicholas J. Dugan was born at Coplay, May 18, 1882. He received his education in the public schools of Coplay and the Hokendauqua high school. He was employed in Dr. Horn's drug store for a short time, after which he worked at the cooper trade with the Lehigh Portland Cement Company. For more than a year he was employed by Christian Gerber, of Catasauqua, after which he learned the machinist trade with the Atlas Portland Cement Company, where he was engaged for three years and a half and followed the same employment at the Bethlehem Steel Works, the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, the Catasauqua Rolling Mills, Davis & Thomas, and the Thomas Iron Company. Through his skill as a machinist, he secured the position of chauffeur with George Holton, which he filled for five years. In March, 1911, with Charles Wentz, he opened the Catasauqua garage. Later Mr. Wentz sold out to Philip R. Lynch, with whom he is now conducting a very successful business as practical machinists. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of St. Lawrence Catholic church at Catasauqua, and the following fraternal organizations: F. O. E. and T. P. A. In May, 1908, he was married to Margaret Lynch, a daughter of Thomas and Susan (Sweeney) Lynch. They are the parents of one child, Loreta, born Oct. 26, 1909.

#### JOHN DULL.

John Dull, a resident at Egypt, in Whitehall township, was born Feb. 12, 1874. He was educated in the schools of Whitehall township, after which he was employed for ten years in agricultural pursuits. He then became an employee of

the American Cement Company, where he has remained for twelve years. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation of Egypt church.

#### EALER FAMILY.

Thomas E. Ealer, born April 7, 1870, in the vicinity of Easton, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, son of Joseph Ealer, who was born in Forks township, Northampton county, died aged eighty-four years, buried in Easton Heights cemetery. For the long period of thirty-four years he was in the employ of Mrs. William Firestone, whom he served faithfully and well. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and a Democrat in politics. He married Elizabeth Steiner, born in Northampton county, died in 1891, buried at Forks township Lutheran church cemetery, aged fifty-two years. Children, all born in Northampton county: Harry, at Williamsport; William, killed by the Central Railroad; Harvey, a traveling salesman; Thomas E., of whom further; Lizzie, unmarried, resides in Philadelphia; Sarah, married Eugene Hillegas, resides in South Allentown; Annie, married James Messinger, employed by the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad at South Allentown, where they reside; Mary, deceased.

THOMAS E. EALER, after completing his studies in the common schools of Easton, entered the employ of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, as brakeman and fireman, and served as such for four years. He then became an employee of the wire mill at Allentown, remaining for ten years, leaving that employ to become motorman for the Lehigh Valley Traction Company, then known as the Rapid Transit Company, continuing for nine years. The following year he was a laborer for W. F. Moser & Company, the following two years was engineer at the Lewis Furnace in the Sixth ward, for eighteen months was engineer of the Weaver Foundry & Machine Company, the following two years was engineer and fireman for the Allentown Water Works, and on Aug. 3, 1903, was appointed engineer for the firm of Ritter & Smith, mill owners, and has continued in that position to date (1914). Mr. Ealer is a Democrat in politics, and holds membership in the Lutheran Church, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, No. 110; and Nest No. 62, Order of Owls.

Mr. Ealer married, Nov. 10, 1889, Minnie Wickert, daughter of John and Sarah Wickert. Children: Helen S., married Floyd Keim, a wood-worker, employed with Smith & Company; and Charles Dewey, employed as a shoe cutter.

#### JOHN EBELHAUSER.

Carl Ebelhauser was a musician at Neukirchen, Pfalz, near Kaiserlauten, Germany. There he



died in 1894 at the age of sixty-six years. He married Catharine Andre, who died July 9, 1891, aged sixty-one years, six months and eleven days. Their children were: Carl, Catharine, Elizabeth, John, Mary, Salome and Regina.

JOHN EBELHAUSER, a retired citizen of Rittersville, Pa., was born at Neukirchen, Pfalz, March 30, 1861. He attended the schools according to the German curriculum from the age of seven to fourteen years; and worked for his parents until he was twenty-one years old, after that he entered the king's army for four years, serving the last three years of his enlistment as a sergeant. Shortly after leaving the army he sailed for America, landing at Philadelphia in May, 1889. Three months after being in Pennsylvania, he engaged in the restaurant business in Philadelphia and at the same time dealt in real estate. Three years later, Mr. Ebelhauser conducted a merry-go-round and the following eighteen years he carried on that business with a large profit. He removed from Philadelphia to Bethlehem in 1898, and from the latter city to Rittersville in 1902. He resides on the Allentown and Bethlehem turnpike opposite Central Park, at Rittersville. He has large real estate holdings both at Rittersville and Bethlehem. He married in December, 1886, Catharine Schick, a daughter of Daniel and Catharine (Wagner) Schick, of Rodenbach, Pfalz. Four children are born to them, namely: Catharine, married to Harvey Williamson; Philip; Mary and Annie. They all reside at Rittersville.

#### EBERHART FAMILY.

Frederick Eberhart, a native of Stuttgard, Germany, was born March 5, 1809, and came to America in 1830. He helped to construct the Philadelphia and Baltimore railroad. He was married at Bound Brook, N. J., and lived there for a short time while he worked in the copper mines at Flemington, N. J. Later he worked in the coal mines at Summit Hill. He also assisted in taking coal to Philadelphia in barges, before the canal was built; later on he assisted in the construction of the Lehigh canal. Before the canal was built the coal was taken down the river on rafts or barges; not being able to take the barges upstream, they were sold for lumber and the men compelled to find their way home as best as they could. In 1840 he moved to Catasauqua, where he engaged in quarrying stone, furnishing the first limestone used by the Crane Iron Company. In 1845 he entered into a contract with David Thomas to furnish all the limestone needed by the Crane Iron Company. He continued in the limestone business until 1864, then retired and turned the business over

to his three sons, Ferdinand, William and Augustus. In 1876 he moved to Allentown and built a store between Second and Third streets, on Hamilton street, where his son, Frank B., conducted a jewelry store until 1911. In 1880 Mr. Eberhart purchased the Peter Miller farm in Whitehall township along the Fogelsville Railroad. At this place he opened a stone quarry again supplying the Thomas Iron Company and the Crane Iron Company with stone. He also owned a farm in Allen township where he opened a stone quarry and supplied stones to the Carbon Iron Company at Parryville, from 1863 to 1880. Politically he was a Republican. He filled the office of school director of Catasauqua. He was a member of the St. Paul's Lutheran church, which he served as elder and was a member of the building committee when the church was erected. He was married to Catharine Tillman, a daughter of Peter Tillman. She was born Oct. 15, 1814, died August 3, 1881. Mr. and Mrs. Eberhart were the parents of the following children: John H., 1834-1857, met an accidental death in the stone quarry; Ferdinand; Eliza, married to William Easterday; Ellen, married to Charles Snyder; William; Augustus, born May 31, 1842, was killed at Cornwall ore mines April 12, 1883; Frank; Peter; and Jacob, 1852-1860.

FERDINAND EBERHART, a son of Frederick Eberhart, was born at Northampton, Sept. 25, 1837. When fifteen years of age he began working in his father's lime quarry, hauling powder and assisting in blasting, in which he became an expert. In 1864 he helped to haul hay from the plot now occupied by his residence at 1001 North Third street. He worked for his father until he was of age. He then entered into a contract with the Thomas Iron Company to open a stone quarry at Iron Bridge. Later on he also furnished stone for the Crane Iron Company. In 1871, when the Thomas Iron Company built furnaces Nos. 5 and 6, he furnished nearly all the building stone for them. He operated the stone quarry at Iron Bridge from 1867 to 1894, employing on an average forty-five men. He bought the first case of dynamite used in Lehigh county, and paid \$1.25 per pound. After his father's death in 1893, he acquired the Peter Miller property and shortly after began to quarry stone for himself. He conducted this quarry with great success until 1909, when he retired and turned the business over to his sons. He belongs to the following organizations: Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M.; and Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278. He is an active member of Grace M. E. church since 1872, and has served the church as trustee for many years. In 1864 he was mar-

ried to Sarah A. Kern, born March 27, 1841, died Feb. 10, 1891. The following children were born to them: William F.; Franklin J.; George W.; Edward H.; and Carrie, wife of George Kemmerer, all living and the following deceased Emma C., 1867-1886; Clara E., 1871-1895; Charles R.; and Ida P. He was married the second time to Marietta Lambert, in 1892, daughter of Aaron and Catharine (Frey) Lambert, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume.

Peter Eberhart, a son of Frederick Eberhart, was born in Catasauqua, April 25, 1850. In 1869, he learned the art of telegraphy. Later he filled the position of operator and yardmaster and for many years he was the ticket agent for the L. V. R. R. at Catasauqua. He was also borough solicitor for nine years. In 1873 he was married to Josephine A., daughter of Aaron Best.

FRANKLIN B. EBERHART, a retired jeweler, residing at No. 1330 Hamilton street, Allentown, was born at Catasauqua, Nov. 17, 1847. After his education in the borough schools, he assisted his father until he was eighteen years of age, then he learned the watch making and jewelry business at Catasauqua with J. C. Beitel. Four years later Mr. Eberhart engaged in business for himself at 223 Hamilton street, Allentown, and there he continued in business uninterruptedly for forty years, retiring in 1911. He resides in his present residence at the southwest corner Hamilton and Madison streets since 1892. Mr. Eberhart and his wife are active members of Christ Lutheran church. He served the church as elder and helped to build the present beautiful edifice.

He was married, Oct. 5, 1873, to Miss Catharine Broadbeck. They have one daughter, Edna, the wife of Rev. C. C. Miller, a Lutheran minister, stationed at Honesdale, Pa. Rev. and Mrs. Miller have one son, Franklin E.

Mrs. Eberhart was born at Catasauqua and is the only daughter of John Broadbeck, a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, who emigrated to this country in 1854, and after living about two years at New York, he came to East Catasauqua. He was married to Pauline Frederick, who died on April 27, 1908, aged 81 years. Mr. Broadbeck was a carpenter and was employed by the Crane Iron Company, until his death in 1881, aged 51 years. He and his wife are buried in the mausoleum in Fairview cemetery, Catasauqua. Their children were: Philip, Paul and Catharine, the wife of Mr. Eberhart.

#### EBERT FAMILY.

The earliest definite record of this old family is gleaned from the Heidelberg township tax list of 1762, which contains the names of Tobias, John, and Philip Ebert. They were assessed re-

spectively as follows: Ten pounds, nine pounds, and Philip as a "single man." On Sept. 18, 1767, Tobias Ebert obtained a warrant for land; and on Oct. 26, 1768, John Ebert obtained a warrant for land, both tracts were located in Heidelberg township and there these pioneers continued to live to the end of their days. Philip Ebert, on May 4, 1768, obtained a warrant for a tract of land situated in Lynn township.

Family tradition, which in part, is confirmed by record, states that three brothers, Tobias, John, and Philip Ebert emigrated from Germany to Pennsylvania, soon after the first half of the eighteenth century; that all three came to Heidelberg township, where Tobias and John continued to live, and Philip settled in Lynn township.

In 1781, Tobias and John Ebert are among the taxable residents of Heidelberg township; and the name of Philip Ebert appears among the taxable residents of Lynn township. From subsequent records it is evident that the three pioneers became heads of large families whose posterity is now numerous and widely scattered.

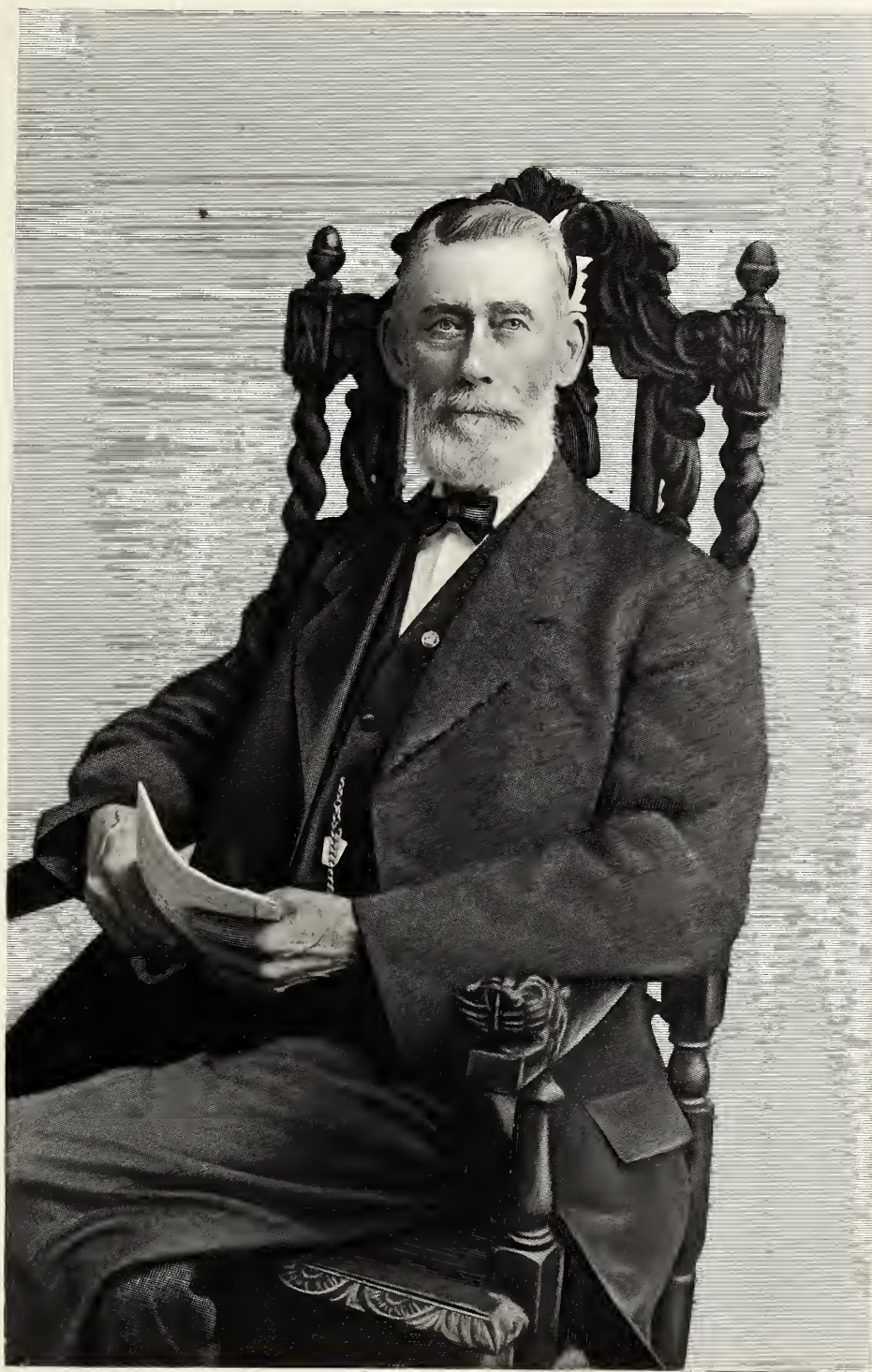
In 1812, among the taxable residents of Heidelberg were: Peter, John, Michael, Conrad, Christian, and Henry Ebert; and among the taxable residents of Lynn appear the names of Philip, Tobias, and Peter Ebert. The first group of taxables, above named, doubtless were the sons of Tobias and John, while in Lynn township, Philip, the first named, probably was the father of Tobias and Peter. Philip was the youngest of the trio who founded the family in Lehigh county.

Tobias Ebert carried on agricultural pursuits in Lynn township. His homestead situated near New Tripoli, is now the property of Alvin Schaeffer, who purchased it from T. Ayers. Before the latter purchased the farm it belonged to Joseph Gift. He had bought it from Mrs. Peter Kressley, the daughter of Tobias Ebert, whose children were: Tobias, married to Julia Harter or Herber; Henry, William, John, married to Barbara Fry, and Betsy, the wife of Peter Kressley.

John Ebert, son of Tobias, was born June 26, 1804. He was a farmer in Lynn township. On April 26, 1827, he married Maria Barbara, a daughter of Michael and Barbara Fry. She was born June 10, 1805, died May 8, 1875. He died on July 10, 1876. Both are buried on the old graveyard at the Weisenberg Union church, of which they were members of the Lutheran congregation. They had the following children:

Polly, born June 26, 1828; died in 1913; married (1) J. Reinsmith, (2) Jacob Boyer.





Ferdinand Eberhart





Levi, born Nov. 18, 1829; married Helena Reitz. John, born Sept. 13, 1831; died unmarried. Sarah, born May 27, 1833; married Christian Snyder. Nathan, born Nov. 1, 1834; married Jane Hausman. Amandes, born Jan. 6, 1837; died Nov. 8, 1880, married Sarah Moser. Lydia, born April 8, 1838; married Wm. Moyer. Moses, born April 8, 1840; died unmarried. David, born Oct. 16, 1843; died in 1913; married Adeline Wert.

The above named children all lived in Lynn township.

Amandes Ebert, son of John Ebert and his wife Barbara, *nee* Frey, was born in Lynn township, Jan. 6, 1837. During his boyhood, he helped his father on a farm, and he obtained such education as the public schools of that day afforded. He then learned the trade of a stonemason and he carried on this trade for a number of years, erecting many stone dwelling-houses and laying the foundations for many barns, dwellings and other farm buildings in that section of the county. Upon his marriage, he located at Slatington, and after living there for some years he moved to Lynn township. He purchased his father's farm at the solicitation of his parents, and gave them a home on the place until they died. He carried on farming operations in connection with his trade until he died, on Nov. 8, 1880. He was buried on the cemetery at New Tripoli. On Oct. 13, 1866, he was married to Sarah Ann Moser, a daughter of John Moser, and they were members of the Lutheran congregation of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, which he served as an official for a number of years. They had the following children:

James O., born July 2, 1868; married Ellen M. Snyder. Rev. Alfred O., born Feb. 19, 1870; married Annie M. Fegley. Oscar A., born Sept. 25, 1875; died Mar. 20, 1895. Calvin M., born May 2, 1878; died Mar. 22, 1878. Angie M., born Feb. 4, 1880, married John Gildner.

JAMES O. EBERT owns and occupies the Ebert homestead situated east of New Tripoli, in Lynn township. He was married at Audenreid, Pa., on April 10, 1898, to Ellen M. Snyder. His brother, Rev. Alfred O. Ebert, performing the marriage ceremony, according to the rites of the Lutheran Church.

Oscar A., and Calvin M. Ebert are buried on the Ebert family plot, on the cemetery at New Tripoli.

#### REV. ALFRED O. EBERT.

Rev. Alfred Oliver Ebert, of New Tripoli, son of Amandes and Sarah A. (Moser) Ebert, was born in Lynn, February 19, 1870. His youth was spent upon the farm in Lehigh county. His

early education was received in the public and select schools of his native township, and then he taught school for three terms. During this time he prepared for Muhlenberg College, which he entered in the fall of 1889, and was graduated with the class of 1893; and in the fall of 1893 he entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, graduating May 26, 1896, and in June 1st he was ordained to the ministry in St. John's Lutheran church, Allentown, Pa. The Audenreid-Beaver Meadow parish, of near Hazleton, Pa., had extended him a call, and this he accepted on June 7, 1896.

With enthusiasm he took charge of the field, which needed a conscientious and painstaking leader, the field being home mission territory. St. Paul's, Beaver Meadow congregation, had been temporarily organized March 16, 1896, without having a permanent church home. By God's grace and blessing, Rev. Ebert gathered a nice congregation and aided them in securing their own church. In May, 1897, they purchased a lot, laid the corner stone August 22, and dedicated their church Dec. 26, 1897. The same year they also purchased an organ, which was dedicated Oct. 18, 1897. The Salem, Audenreid congregation made marked progress during his pastorate. A debt of \$800 was paid off; the floors were recarpeted, electric lights were installed, stained glass windows were inserted and other repairs were made.

His work here, whilst strenuous, was nevertheless most pleasant and successful. He ended his work in this parish to accept a call extended by the Shonerville-Rittersville parish, June 26, 1904, the same having been accepted to go into effect August 1, 1904. On September 25, 1904, his installation took place, the same being performed by Revs. W. D. C. Keiter, president of the Allentown Conference, and Rev. H. S. Fegley, his father-in-law. During his pastorate he raised exceptional large sums for benevolence and made substantial gains in membership in both churches. He resigned this parish, August 1, 1906, to accept the call of the New Tripoli parish, consisting of Ebenezer, New Tripoli; Jacob's, Jacksonville; Jerusalem, Albany township, Berks county; St. Peter's, Lynnville and St. Paul's, Seiberlingsville congregations. He is now preaching to his schoolmates, companions and neighbors of his youth who look upon him with reverence and profound respect. His present parish was served by the late and lamented Rev. H. S. Fegley, whose homestead in New Tripoli is now occupied by Rev. Ebert, his wife Annie M., and their children: Paul F., Annie M., Alfred J., Luther J., Carl A., Ruth F., and Helen S.

Peter Ebert, son of Philip, owned and occupied the farm now the property of Reuben H. Fister, near New Tripoli, Pa. He was married to Catharine Miller. They are buried at New Tripoli. Their children follow: Jonas, Peter, Joseph, Nathan, Polly, married to Joseph Huth. Of the sons, Peter, Joseph, and Nathan removed to the state of Illinois. Jonas was a farmer and a shoemaker at Hynemansville. He was born Aug. 28, 1798, died Sept. 13, 1877. He married Maria Bachman, born Nov. 27, 1798, died Sept. 6, 1887. They had the following children: Reuben, Nathan, Stephen, who lived in Weisenberg; Daniel, Juliann, born in 1825; Mary Ann, Eliza Ann, Lydia Ann, and Sarah Ann.

Stephen Ebert, son of Jonas, was born April 7, 1833. He lived in Weisenberg township. He was married to Sabina, a daughter of Jonas Reitz, of Lynn township. She was born in 1832, and died in 1879. They had a daughter, Sarah L., married to John Bailey, who died in 1907, aged 46 years. They had six children.

Henry Ebert, whose name appears among the taxable residents of Heidelberg, in 1812, owned upwards of one hundred acres of land in that township. He made his last will and testament, Sept. 13, 1814. He died between that date and the probating of the will on the 15th of the following month. He was twice married. The given name of his second wife was Barbara. He was the father of nine children, as follows: Henry, Peter, John, Jonas, Tobias, William, Elizabeth, and two other daughters.

Abraham Ebert was married and had seven sons and one daughter, namely: Samuel, Daniel, Jonas, John, Peter, Joseph, Nathaniel, and Mary.

Conrad Ebert, mentioned in the tax list of 1812, was born Aug. 16, 1764, died Aug. 25, 1842, aged 78 years, and 9 days. He married Maria Barbara Ferber, born Jan. 2, 1774, died Nov. 8, 1841, aged 67 years, 11 months, and 6 days. They are buried on the Heidelberg church cemetery.

#### ECK FAMILY.

ORLANDO ECK, engineer at the planing mill of Butz & Frederick, in Allentown, was born Feb. 17, 1849. He received his education in the public schools and was brought up on a farm until he was 21 years old; then he entered the employ of Uriah Biery, a prominent miner, of Mertztown, and after working in the mines for a long time, was promoted to the position of engineer, which he filled fifteen years. He removed to Allentown in 1901 to take the position of engineer of the planing mill of Butz & Frederick,

which he has filled until now. He is a Democrat, and a member of the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Eck was married to Sarah Elizabeth Ahn, daughter of Solomon and Sarah (Long) Ahn, and they have four children: Albert J.; Alice, m. John Boyer; Morris; and Elmira, m. George Keiser.

Charles Eck, his father, was a shoemaker, and carried on a shoe shop at Topton, Berks county, for many years, where he died at the age of 61 years. He employed four men and made pegged miner's shoes. He was married to Abolonia Benicoff, of Whitehall township, Lehigh county. She died at the age of 64 years. They were members of the Lutheran church at Longswamp. They had five children: Orlando; Jefferson; Amelia, who died; William, engaged as a teacher in the Keystone State Normal School; and Willoughby. The grandfather, Joseph Eck, was a bricklayer in Whitehall township.

ALBERT J. ECK, engineer at Daenfer's Brewery, was born June 12, 1870, in Longswamp township, Berks county. After attending the public schools until he was fourteen years old, he secured employment with the Thomas Iron Company at the iron-ore mines in Longswamp township, Berks county, and continued there nine years, in this time learning stationary engineering. He then served as engineer at the Swartz ore mines for five years.

When 28 years old, he became the engineer at the Horlacher Brewery in Allentown, and after serving there three years he was selected to be the chief engineer of the Daevfer Brewery at Allentown, which position he has filled until the present time.

In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of A. O. S. E., No. 15.

Mr. Eck married Minnie Musselman, daughter of James and Elizabeth Musselman, and they have three children: Calvin, Florence and Marion. He is connected with the Lutheran Church, but his wife with the Reformed Church.

MORRIS EUGENE ECK, son of Orlando Eck, was born Feb. 14, 1877, in Longswamp township, Berks county. He attended the public schools and then worked in the ore mines of Longswamp for a time, when he served as a stationary engineer for eight years. He enlisted in Battery G, First United States Artillery, under Captain Geary, in the Spanish-American War, for a full term, and was honorably discharged. Upon his return he went to Allentown to fill the position of engineer in the Daevfer Brewery, where he has continued until the present time, excepting a short period when he was employed in the wire mills as a steam-fitter. He has served as chief engineer since 1909. He is a member of



the American Order of Steam Engineers, and the Order of Buffaloes.

In 1902, Mr. Eck married Gertrude V. Fegley. They are members of the Lutheran Church.

ECKERT FAMILY.

The ancestor of this family in America was Justus Eckert or Eckhard. He was a native of Schersfeld, Oberamt Meissenheim, Zweibruecken, where he resided in 1759. He arrived in this country at the port of Philadelphia, on Nov. 10, 1764, on board the ship Boston, Matthew Carr, master, which sailed from Rotterdam, Holland and stopped at Cowes, England, with 203 passengers, natives of Germany and Switzerland. Prior to his settling in Allentown, he lived for some time in Montgomery county, where he was a schoolmaster, and in 1785 he was a resident of Allentown. In the first census return made in 1790, he is given as having three sons under 16 years of age. Justus Eckert died Oct. 9, 1811, in Allentown, and at the time of his death well up in years. His wife, Elizabeth, died March 10, 1811, in her 70th year of age. They are, no doubt, buried in the old Allentown cemetery, but no tombstone marks their last resting place. Their eldest daughter, Elizabeth Eckert, was born in 1768, and died at Philadelphia, April 16, 1826. The second child, Margaret Eckert, was born in 1770, and died March 14, 1833. She married Jacob Bischoff.

William Eckert, eldest son of Justus Eckert, was born Aug. 14, 1771, was a miller by occupation, and had a mill in Salisbury township. He moved to Allentown in 1837. He was a veteran of the 1812 war. He died May 30, 1848, and was buried on Thursday, June 1, 1848, the day of the great fire at Allentown. Upon returning from the funeral one of his daughters carried the oil painting of his wife and himself to Frey's Meadows with other of the household goods, to preserve them from the fire. He lived on the west side of South Seventh Street, between Walnut and Union streets, where he had a large house, in which at one time he kept a store. He married, May 13, 1798, Susanna Reber, daughter of John Reber. She was born June 21, 1780, and died Sept. 8, 1838. They had seven children:

John, born May 12, 1799, and died in infancy.

William, born Aug. 25, 1800, in Salisbury township. He died Dec. 14, 1865. He married Elizabeth Gutekunst, who was born Dec. 4, 1797, and died Nov. 19, 1870. They had seven children:

Sophia, born Oct. 11, 1822.

William, born Dec. 5, 1826, and died July

26, 1900. He married, Sept. 14, 1846, Lydia L. Eckert, who was born in 1826, and died Feb. 8, 1894. They had twelve children. He married a second time a Mrs. Ludwig; Sophia; William; Eliza L., born Feb. 7, 1829; Augustus F., born Aug. 8, 1834, and Henry H., born Sept. 17, 1840.

Maria Eckert, daughter of William, Sr., was born Oct. 4, 1802.

Maria Eve Eckert, born May 21, 1804, and died Dec. 2, 1827. She married Gottfried Pretz, who was born July 10, 1798, and died Nov. 12, 1830. They had one daughter: Maria Louise Pretz, born Nov. 14, 1827, who married Jesse Line.

Hannah Eckert, born Sept. 2, 1806, and died Sept. 8, 1878. She married John J. Krause, born June 19, 1787, and died Nov. 14, 1863.

Eliza, born Nov. 2, 1808, and died March 19, 1882. She married Charles Saeger, who was born Dec. 6, 1801, and died Aug. 10, 1859. William Saeger was their son.

Susanna Eckert, born Nov. 13, 1819 died June 24, 1850. She married Ephraim Grim.

John Eckert, second son of Justus, was born Aug. 28, 1776. He lived for a time on Lehigh street, but later built a stone house on the west side of Seventh street, between Hamilton and Linden streets, where he lived and had a frame store, adjoining, where he conducted his business, which was that of a tobacconist. Later he purchased the property on the southeast corner of Eighth and Linden streets, where there was a large apple orchard located, and built a new home on the corner. He was described as a man of medium height, somewhat energetic and frugal in his habits. He was treasurer of Zion Reformed church and after the death of Peter Rhoads, Jr., in 1836, president of the Northampton Bank, he was elected president of that institution, which office he filled until his death. By his industry and attention to business he amassed a considerable fortune. He married, August 18, 1799, Elizabeth Worman, daughter of Conrad Worman. She was born April 8, 1781, and died Nov. 19, 1834. On a visit to the Worman Spring, the source of water supply for the City of Allentown for many years, later known as Crystal Spring, he was stricken and died, Nov. 3, 1840, aged 64 years. The *Friedensbote* of Nov. 4, 1840, has the following notice: "Am letzten Dienstag, in dieser Stadt, Herr John Eckert, Sen., letzheriger Praesident Der Northampton Bank, im 65 Jahre. Am Morgen jenes Tages ging Herr Eckert gesunt und wohl auf eine Wiese in der Nähe der Wasserwerke dieser Stadt und sank dort, vom Schlag gerührt, todt nieder. Herr Eckert war ein alter Einwohner

dieser Stadt und als redlicher und guter Bürger allgemein bekannt."

Mr. and Mrs. Eckert had eleven children:

John Eckert, the eldest son, was born July 9, 1800, and died July 31, 1875. He lived on Seventh street at the old homestead to the day of his death. He owned considerable property in Allentown—one tract extending from Chew street to Liberty street on the west side of Eighth. The property along the east side of Seventh street, beyond Liberty street, was also owned by him. The fire of 1848 originated in his barn on Hall street, the result of children playing with matches. In personal appearance he was tall and frequently wore a high silk hat. He was a man of decided opinions, and one of the wealthiest men in the city in his day. His first wife was Lydia Frantz. He was married a second time, on March 1, 1835, to Catherine Bachman. His third wife was Polly M. Hoffman, who was born Nov. 20, 1809, and died Dec. 28, 1875. His children were:

Clarissa Matilda, born Dec. 24, 1820.

Henrietta, born July 25, 1822.

Mary, born Dec. 13, 1823, all three of whom died young.

Adam Henry Eckert, born Jan. 25, 1825, and died May 21, 1866. He married Ella Wilson, who after his death married Edward Deshler. He had one son, John T. Eckert, born Nov. 17, 1849, and died March 11, 1880.

He was a member of the Allentown Band in which he played the trombone, and was a cigar manufacturer. He married Hannah J. Rimmel, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Rhoads) Rimmel, of Allentown. Jacob Rimmel was a veteran of the Mexican War. His brother, Edward, is now living at Mauch Chunk, aged 87 years. Mrs. Eckert died Sept. 28, 1903, aged 51 years. They had five children: Harry A., of Allentown; Edward F., died in 1894, aged 19 years; Dr. John T.; Charles R., of Allentown; and Hattie L., died at the age of three years.

DR. JOHN T. ECKERT, son of John T., was born Dec. 19, 1876, at Allentown; graduated from the Allentown high school in 1894; Muhlenberg College in 1898; and the University of Pennsylvania in 1903, after which he located in Allentown, where he is a general practitioner and surgeon. He is a member of the Lehigh county and Lehigh Valley Medical societies; of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, K. of P.; Vienna Lodge, No. 847, I. O. O. F.; Allentown Castle, No. 55, Knights of the Golden Eagle; Alton Castle, No. 149, Knights of the Mystic Chain; of the Loyal Order of Buffaloes, and of St. John's Lutheran church.

Dr. John T. Eckert married, July 14, 1904,

Lulu C. Scheirer, daughter of Owen and Sarah (Kemp) Scheirer. They reside in a handsome residence at 438 North Sixth street, Allentown.

Lydia Eckert, born in 1826, and died Feb. 8, 1894. She married, in September, 1846, William Eckert, third.

Andrew Eckert, who died Feb. 17, 1907, in Ohio, and had children: Walter, Katie, and Harry.

Catharine Eckert, eldest daughter of John Eckert, Sr., was born March 21, 1802. She married a boatman named Gutekunst.

Elizabeth Eckert, second daughter of John Eckert, Sr., was born May 6, 1804. She died Oct. 8, 1873, unmarried.

Thomas Eckert, born Jan. 28, 1807, died Nov. 30, 1836, aged 29 years.

Annie Eckert, the third daughter, was born April 14, 1809 and died May 2, 1887. She married Manasses Schwartz. They had children: Sarah, John, Walter, Eliza, and Mrs. George Kramer.

Henry Eckert, third son of John Eckert, Sr., was born Nov. 14, 1811 and died May 26, 1853. He married Mary Stein, a milliner. They had one daughter, Mary Elizabeth, who married Rev. John Koehl. Their children were: Mrs. Emma M. Miller, of Easton, Mrs. Johanna Kistler, John and Charles Koehl. After Henry Eckert's death his widow married Thomas Barber, of the Barber Foundry.

Rebecca Eckert, fourth daughter, was born Aug. 21, 1814. She married William Mattern. They were the parents of: Emma, David, Sallie, John, Tillie, and Lewis Mattern.

Charles Eckert, fourth son of John Eckert, Sr., was born Nov. 15, 1817, and died Feb. 26, 1885. He married, April 14, 1840, Eliza Gutekunst, who was born Oct. 15, 1819, and died Jan. 16, 1853. He operated a grist-mill located near where the terminal railroad station now stands, of which Reuben Helfrich was the miller, and in connection with this conducted a coal yard and warehouses on the Lehigh Inlet. In those days a large volume of business was done on the canal and river and Mr. Eckert had two boats on the river. He was also a member of the firm of Weinsheimer, Newhard & Company, and had an office where he conducted an insurance business. His barn was located near Fourth and Walnut streets, where he had a hay press, and frequently shipped hay in large quantities to Asa Packer, with whom he did a great deal of business. He lived at Eighth and Linden streets and later built a home at the southeast corner of Fourth and Walnut streets. He also built a row of brick houses on Fourth street, between Walnut and Hamilton, as well as house No. 109 South



Fourth street. He was one of the incorporators of Fairview cemetery and treasurer of the company. With Tinsley Jeter he opened ore mines at Ironton and he was also one of the incorporators and a deacon of the Presbyterian Church. He married, a second time, Miss Emma Belling, daughter of S. Philip and Eliza Belling, who died April 11, 1914, aged 79 years.

Charles Eckert's children in his first marriage were:

Jane E., born July 20, 1841, died May 27, 1854.

Sallie, deceased, married William S. Young, of Chicago.

Tillie, married (first) John Hamman, and (second) Mr. Cox, of New York.

Miles L.

MILES L. ECKERT was born in Allentown, Feb. 6, 1851, and was educated in the common schools, the high school, and the Allentown Academy. At the age of sixteen he entered his father's office, then located where the Leh building now stands, where he engaged in the insurance business, besides assisting his father in conducting a mill, ware-house and coal yard. He has remained in the insurance business continually and has built up a large clientage. He later removed to the Breinig and Bachman building, where he is still located. He is a director and treasurer of the Fairview Cemetery Association since his father's death, and a member of the Allentown Lodge of Elks.

He married, Dec. 5, 1876, Miss Emma S. Nimson, daughter of Charles H. Nimson, and his wife, Elmira S. Hallman. They have one son, Nimson Eckert, a graduate of the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, associated in business with his father, who married Miss Mabel E. Stine, daughter of E. H. Stine, Esq., and has one child, Nimson Stine Eckert.

Charles Eckert, in his second marriage, had five children:

George W. Eckert, who was in the grain business and a well-known pigeon fancier. His pigeon loft at his home on Union street was one of the best and most modern. He died Jan. 4, 1908, in the prime of life. He married Alvena L. Mosser, and had three children: Charles, deceased; Robert M., a mechanical engineer, and Kathryn.

Ada Eckert, born Sept. 6, 1860, died Aug. 21, 1886.

John W. Eckert.

Charles Tinsley Eckert, born May 25, 1862, died Jan. 3, 1912. He was a machinist and assisted his brother, John W., in the cement business. He married, in 1893, Miss Annie Lo-

bach, and lived at Fourteenth and Walnut streets. They had three daughters: Ada, Mabel, and Isabella.

Gertrude B. Eckert, married Edwin J. Crader, and has one son, John E. Crader.

JOHN W. ECKERT was born in Allentown, March 13, 1858. He attended the public schools of the city and entered Lehigh University, where he took a full course in analytical chemistry, also making a special study of engineering and graduated in 1878. Having made a study of the analysis of cement, he wrote, at the age of nineteen, an essay giving an analysis of the raw material as found in Lehigh county for the manufacture of Portland cement, (and also made Portland cement of this material), and comparing it with foreign cement, which was published in the State Geological Survey report. In this essay he also gave the analysis.

In 1877, while yet at college, he became associated as a chemist with the Coplay Cement Co., of which David O. Saylor, the pioneer Portland cement manufacturer of America, was then president. The output of the company developed from one hundred barrels a day to 125,000 barrels a year in 1885, and by 1890, to 170,000 barrels in six months.

In 1881 Mr. Eckert became superintendent of the Coplay Cement Company, which position he held until 1885, when, in company with Messrs. Frank Thompson, Alexander McGough, Dr. Filbert, R. W. Leslie, James Brand, and John W. Trinkle, he organized the American Cement Company of Pennsylvania, and located a cement plant at Egypt. The company purchased about 400 acres of land, comprising parts of the Lazarus, Kohler, Rhoads, Schadt, and Woodring farms, besides other tracts, and reached a capacity of 1,800,000 barrels of cement a year. In 1898 the plant was sold for \$3,000,000. Mr. Eckert continued with the company as president until 1912.

By his efforts, Mr. Eckert secured the first state road in Lehigh county, from Allentown to Walberts, and much of the success of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, of which he was president from 1907 to 1914, was due to his energetic efforts. He is a director of the Allentown National Bank, and a member of the Livingston Club, Allentown Lodge of Elks, Clover Club, and a charter member of the St. Leger Club. He is the owner of one of the finest farms in the county, the buildings on which are models of its kind. He is married to Miss Jennie Lisk.

Sarah Eckert, daughter of John Eckert, Sr., was born March 29, 1820, and died in 1837.

Owen Eckert was born July 23, 1823, and died in 1824.

Evan Eckert was born May 4, 1827, and died July 29, 1860. He married Elizabeth Nagle and they had two sons, Edwin and James, and two daughters, Emma and Ella, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Another child of John Eckert, Sr., a daughter, died in infancy. He had six sons and six daughters.

Frederick Eckert, youngest son of Justus Eckert, was born in September, 1781, and died January 11, 1821, in Allentown, of consumption. His wife, Sarah Reaser, died in Philadelphia, March, 1827. They had six children: Orlando, Elizabeth, Miles, born in 1808 and died April 24, 1835; Thomas, Sarah, and Frederick. Matthew Reaser, a printer of Philadelphia, was the guardian of Orlando and Elizabeth; William Eckert, of Miles and Thomas, and Abraham Newhard of Sarah and Frederick. Frederick Eckert was a merchant and his place of business was on North Seventh street, where the Hunsicker building now stands, adjoining the old Northampton bank, which stood where the Allentown National Bank now stands. It was a brick building located on a 60-foot lot, 230 feet deep, and numbered in the city plan No. 342. This was sold December 6, 1821, to Philip Brang for \$1,660. He also owned a lot on Hamilton street, which was sold to Dr. Jacob Martin for \$103.75. His estate amounted to \$6,115.11.

#### JOHN ECKERT.

John Eckert, the late husband of Mrs. Amelia Eckert, of Catasauqua, was born in Liebheim, Barien, in the Fatherland, Nov., 1835. His father, Johannes Eckert, was a butcher in Liebheim, where his sons learned the art of butchering. Three sons of Johannes, John, George, and Martin migrated to America Oct. 6, 1856. John located at Emaus and worked for Jesse Klein, a local butcher, and later for a period of Daniel Schwartz of Upper Milford. In 1860 he came to Catasauqua and was employed by Aaron Fretz of Ferndale. On Dec. 10, 1862, he was married to Amelia Reinsmith, a daughter of Henry and Sallie Kemmerer Reinsmith, of Lowhill township. She was born Sept. 20, 1838. In 1863 he moved to Ferndale, but returned as soon as his new house on Second street was completed, when he took possession of it, and where he resided for 31 years. Here also all of his children, except the eldest, were born. He continued in the butchering business until his death, which occurred July 18, 1902. For one year he was associated with his brother, Martin, who now resides at St. Louis, Mo., and later with his son-in-law, Philip Valker. His brother, George, was also engaged in the butchering business in Catasauqua. He was married

to Tillie Knabb. They had two sons and one daughter, of whom Alvin is the only one living. He resides at Catasauqua, and is the father of three children.

John Eckert was a member of the Evangelical church, in which he was a class leader, exhorter, and trustee. His remains lie buried on the beautiful family plot in Fairview Cemetery, Catasauqua. He was the father of eleven children: Sarah, married to Philip Valker; Tillie, married to Asher Schaffer; John, who together with his brother, Thomas F., was killed in a railroad accident at Allentown, Sept. 2, 1881; Clara, married to Howard Berr Venuti; Ella, married to John Freed; George, the twin brother of Ella, died at the age of seven; Charles, who resides at Allentown, where he is in the employ of Swift & Co.; Rebecca, who died in infancy, and Irene, the wife of Wm. Lobach.

#### ROBERT EDGAR.

William Edgar was born in County Derry, Ireland, on December 21, 1851, and emigrated to Pennsylvania at the age of nineteen years, settling at Catasauqua. Three years later he visited his native land to remain for a short time only. He was followed by his intended wife, whom he met at New York upon landing, and there they were married. They resided at Catasauqua until he died Dec. 6, 1908. He was in the employ of the Crane Iron Co. for 35 years. His widow was Margaret Morrison, daughter of Daniel Morrison of County Derry, Ireland, and she continues to reside in the home which they had occupied at No. 1010 Howerstown Road, Catasauqua.

Mr. Edgar and his family were active members of the Second Presbyterian Church. They had ten children: Matilda (married George W. Young); William (died in 1908, aged 31 years and 3 days, leaving a widow, who was Mary Wilson and five children to survive him: Wilson, Margaret, Caroline, Helen, and Matilda); Margaret (died in infancy); Samuel (died in 1909, aged 29 years); James; Robert; Jennie; Daniel; John, and Elizabeth.

Robert Edgar, the fifth son of William, was born at Catasauqua, April 12, 1882. In 1899 he commenced to work for the Bryden Horse Shoe Co., and since 1905 has been foreman of the shipping department, having charge of ten men. He is a member of the Bridge Street Presbyterian Church. On April 15, 1909, he married Harriet McKeever, daughter of John McKeever and they have a daughter, Elizabeth.

John Edgar, the youngest son of William, was born May 31, 1890. He was educated in



the public schools of Catasauqua and graduated from the North Catasauqua schools.

In 1911, he and his brother, Robert, built the "Edgar Building" on Front street, near Pine, a two-story brick structure, 70 x 24 feet, with a basement. The first floor is occupied by them in carrying on the "Edgar Restaurant," in a successful manner under the management of Mr. John Edgar.

#### EDWARDS FAMILY.

John Edwards, a native of Caernarvonshire, South Wales, was born Oct. 12, 1812. In 1849, he landed at Boston, Massachusetts. Being a slater by occupation he went to Delta, York county, Pennsylvania, where he was employed in the slate industry for about five years. The following eighteen months he worked at his trade at Frederick City, Maryland, and in 1857 he located at Slatington, Pa., where he continued to live until his return to his native country in 1874. He died at Llauberis, Wales, on June 15, 1879.

John Edwards was married three times. His first wife was Mary Jones. They had five sons and one daughter. Three sons and the daughter died in infancy. The other sons, the second and third child are Hugh J., and William J. He married a second time in May, 1849; this wife was Jane Thomas and six weeks after their wedding they emigrated to America. Their union was blessed with two sons, Rev. Henry, born August 11, 1850; and Samuel, born in February, 1852. The mother of these children died two weeks after the birth of her youngest son. On May 1, 1855, he married as his third wife, Ann Williams, who lived until April, 1888. No children were born to this union.

Hugh J. Edwards, the second son of John and Mary Edwards, was born at Bethesda, North Wales, Sept. 12, 1840. He came with his parents to America in 1849, and in March, 1857, he settled at Slatington, Lehigh county, Pa., there he remained until the outbreak of the Civil War, in which he served until 1863, when he enlisted in Company E, 112th Regiment, which participated in all the engagements that fell to the lot of the Army of the Potomac, until the battle of Five Points, in which he was wounded by a shell in the breast. He was in the Lincoln Hospital, Washington, at the termination of the war. After his recovery and discharge from service, he returned to Slatington, Pa. Shortly afterward he went into the oil fields in Venango county, Pennsylvania, with \$600 of money, but six months later he returned to Slatington, Pa., minus his accumulations, which he had lost in the oil district. He worked as a slater until the early part

of 1867 when he located at Georgetown, Colorado; but during the early seventies he removed to the Black Hills, near Cheyenne, Wyoming; there he married a widow and lived until his death in 1898, aged 58 years.

William J. Edwards, the third son of John and Mary Edwards, was born Feb. 24, 1843. His biography is the same as that of his brother Hugh, until 1863, at which time Lee invaded Pennsylvania, and the subject was one of the first patriots to respond to the call in the company which was raised at Slatington. He had enlisted for three months but Lee's defeat at Gettysburg caused the militia to be disbanded. In the middle of the summer of 1864, he enlisted again in Company I, 209th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was mustered out with his regiment at the close of the war, having participated in every engagement until in the battle of Fort Steadman, which was the last battle of his division.

After the war he returned to his home at Emerald, near Slatington, where he married Mary Reinsmith, a daughter of Daniel Schleicher. Unto them were born six children, namely: Elizabeth, married to Allen Rex, of Washington township; William, born August 6, 1874, lives at Slatedale; Hugh W., born Nov. 25, 1875; Annie; Rufena died in infancy; and John, born in December, 1879, lives at Slatedale.

William J. Edwards, the father of these children, died of pneumonia in September, 1880, aged 43 years. He is buried at Slatedale.

HUGH W. EDWARDS, a slate operator at Slatedale, Pa., was born Nov. 25, 1875, and is the third son of William J. and Mary Edwards. He obtained a common school education and when sixteen years of age he began working in the slate quarry. For ten years prior to 1905 he was foreman of a blackboard slate factory. In the latter year the Thomas Slate Company was organized by five men, of which he was one of them. The company employs about thirty hands, and is actively engaged in quarrying slate.

Socially Mr. Edwards is a member of the Knights of Malta, No. 92, of Slatington; and the P. O. S. of A., of the same place, being a member of the latter lodge since 1891. He and family are active members of the Evangelical Church, in which he has served as a steward and is an exhorter. He has been an esteemed teacher in the Sunday school for many years.

On May 26, 1900, he was married to Cora, a daughter of Jeremiah and Sabina (Rohrbach) Kern; the latter was a son of William Kern. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Edwards is born an only daughter, Ruth P.

## EGNER FAMILY.

The ancestor of this family was John Mathias Egner, or Eigener, who arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 30, 1727, on the ship Molly, the third ship on record in the lists of arrivals of Germans at the port of Philadelphia. He settled first in Lancaster county, where his sons, John and Mathias, were baptized in 1733 and 1735 by Rev. John Caspar Stoever. As early as 1739 he secured a warrant for land in Macungie township, where he lived until his death. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Lehigh church, where he is buried. He was born in 1693 and died June 20, 1771. He and his wife, Anna Elizabeth had children: John, born June 15, 1733; Mathias, born June 29, 1735; Ludwig; Henry, born Jan. 8, 1739; Anna Elizabeth, born May 10, 1741; and Peter.

John Egner, his eldest son, and his wife Catharine, had children: Anna Elizabeth, born 1756; Mathias, born 1762; Peter, born 1765; John, born Nov. 19, 1769; and Maria, born Jan. 11, 1772. John Egner died July 20, 1796. His daughter, Elizabeth, married Peter De Haven, and his son, Peter, married Susanna Stout, and had two children: David and Elizabeth.

Mathias, of John Mathias Egner, second son of John Mathias, married Maria Barbara Knappenberger. She was born Oct. 30, 1742, and died Jan. 22, 1801. They had eleven children:

1. Mathias, born Oct. 29, 1762, married Miss Aughster and had a son, Charles, died unmarried; and a daughter, Elizabeth, married (1) Jacob Ritter, and (2) Solomon Wieder.

2. Peter.

3. Henry, born Feb. 11, 1767, died Oct. 11, 1835. He married, Jan. 28, 1798, Catharine Schneider, born Jan. 19, 1780, died July 6, 1861. Their children were: 1. Thomas. 2. Sarah, born Nov. 15, 1798, died Oct. 14, 1877, who married Durs Rudy, and had children: Mary, wife of Peter Gross; Esther, wife of Nathan Gross, and mother of Peter Gross, the noted artist, of Paris; David; Oliver; Israel; and Charles Rudy, a famous linguist, of Paris.

3. Catharine, born Jan. 20, 1805, died June 13, 1901, married John Horlacher, and had two children: Mary, married Henry Sell; and Sarah, married Jacob Cooper. 4. Elizabeth, married (1) Solomon Gangewere, and (2) Nathan Rau. 5. Esther, died unmarried. 6. Judith, married Charles Michael.

4 and 5. John and Conrad, twins, born July 1, 1771. John married Catharine Bogert and had children: Jesse, married Esther Koehler; Samuel, married (1) Theresa Stahler, and had a daughter, Angelina, married Francis Schwartz;

and (2) Sarah Lynn, and had a daughter, Henrietta, married William Dech; Leah, married David Engelman; Judith, married Jonathan Smith; Anna, married David Erdman; and Mary, married Abraham Heller.

6. Daniel was born March 29, 1774, and died Oct. 8, 1858. He married Christina Steininger and had two children: Isaac and Hannah, married Charles Kidd. Mrs. Egner was born March 15, 1772, and died Feb. 5, 1829.

Isaac Egner resided in Upper Saucon until 1859, when he removed to Emaus, where he was a coal merchant. He served as assessor, school director, councilman and burgess in Emaus, and was a member and trustee of St. John's Lutheran church. He was commissioned First. Lieut. in the 68th Militia Regiment on Jan. 20, 1838, by Governor Joseph Ritner. Mr. Egner married, Oct. 9, 1841, Matilda, daughter of Joseph Bachman. Mrs. Egner died Aug. 22, 1893. They had two children: Gideon F.; and Sarah, wife of Newton H. Kemmerer.

Gideon F. Egner was born in Upper Saucon, Sept. 18, 1843. He assisted his father in business and on July 5, 1864, enlisted in the 195th Pa. Vol. Regt. in the Civil War. He was station agent for the P. & R. R. at Emaus from 1866 to 1869 and at Macungie from 1869 to 1887. He then became a partner in the Diamond Roller Mills at Bethlehem, in which he continued until his retirement from business in 1904. He served as elder in Solomon's Lutheran congregation at Macungie and in Salem's, of Bethlehem, and St. John's, of Allentown. He was a director of the Macungie Savings Bank, secretary of the Millerstown Building and Loan Association, and six years a school director.

He married, Dec. 9, 1866, Sarah A., daughter of Charles B. and Anna (Schantz) Shimer, who died Sept. 13, 1890, and had two children: Minnie E., who died in infancy; and Annie J. C., wife of George W. Hartzel.

7. Solomon, married Lydia Schuler and moved West.

8. Christina, born 1761, died 1835, married Elias Weber.

9. Catharine, married Caspar Wieder.

10. Eva, married John Weaver.

11. Elizabeth, married John Hottel.

Thomas Egner, son of Henry and Catharine (Schneider) Egner, born Aug. 10, 1801, married Hannah Wieder, of Upper Milford township. Their children were: John Henry, born Nov. 9, 1827; David, born Aug. 13, 1830; Adam, born Feb. 1, 1832, died 1903; Mary, married Solomon Weaver; Daniel, of whom below; Sarah, born March 19, 1839, married F. W. Blank; Amanda, born Sept. 26, 1841, married Charles Schneider;



Willoughby, born Jan. 26, 1844, died 1863; Charles B., born Oct. 31, 1845; and Ambrose A., born Nov. 16, 1851.

DANIEL EGNER, son of Thomas and Hannah (Wieder) Egner, was born Aug. 8, 1836, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. He was reared on the farm, and attended the public schools. At the age of 25 years, he purchased a farm in his native township, where he remained until 1870, when he bought Young's Mill, operating it for 9 years. He then bought a farm of 60 acres which he operated for 30 years, when he retired and moved to Coopersburg.

He married Lydia Mohr, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Shiffert) Mohr. Their children were: Benjamin, who died aged 26 years; and Emma Rebecca, married E. H. Kohr. They had a daughter, Eva May Kohr, who married A. Stanley Gerry, and has one child, Eldridge Stanley Gerry.

Henry Egner, son of John Mathias, the emigrant, was born Jan. 8, 1739, and died Nov. 2, 1824. He married Susanna Romig, born July 12, 1745, died Sept. 27, 1835. They lived in Macungie township and are buried at Lehigh church. They had eleven daughters, but no sons. Their daughters were: Elizabeth, born Nov. 4, 1767, died Nov. 4, 1848, married George Breinig; Catharine, born Feb. 28, 1769, died Oct. 4, 1824, married Michael Hinterleiter; Susanna; Magdalena, born Sept. 3, 1772, died Nov. 28, 1841, married Peter Breinig; Anna Maria, born June 11, 1775, died March 5, 1853, married Philip Ruth; Esther, born Sept. 29, 1777, died March 21, 1868, married Abraham Butz; Salome, born Nov. 12, 1779, married F. Wilhelm Kerchner; Christina, born May 30, 1780, died May 11, 1848, married Daniel Yeager; Lydia, born March 20, 1783, died Dec. 13, 1863, married Jacob Trexler; Rachel, born 1787, married Jacob Wagonhorst; Judith, born Dec. 14, 1791, died Jan. 14, 1853, married Jacob Romig, Jr.

#### LEOPOLD EHLE.

Leopold Ehle, proprietor of the Ehle Cafe at 607 Front street, was born Nov. 15, 1864, in Dissingen, Mersheim, in Wurtemberg, Germany. He is a son of J. George Ehle, who had been a borough officer in his native town of Dissingen, and who emigrated to America June 28, 1873, and settled in Catasauqua. He was employed at the Crane Iron Co. and later at the Catasauqua Manufacturing Co. He died at the age of 54 years, and is buried in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery. His wife, Margareth Magdalena, *nee* Geiger, was a sister to John Geiger, who also emigrated to America, settling in Catasauqua, where he became the pro-

genitor of a large family. She died in March, 1907, aged 62 years. They had issue as follows: Mary, deceased, married to Joseph Mertz; Leopold; Barbara, married to Peter Hauck; George, deceased; Marguerite, and John, deceased. Leopold, as a boy, attended the schools of his native county and also later the schools of Catasauqua. In his youth he learned the barber trade, which he followed until in 1894, when he became a landlord. While a barber his shop was located at the corner of Front and Bridge streets. In 1887 he was married to Francis Kopp, a daughter of George and Josephine (Schneider) Kopp, both of whom were of foreign birth, Mr. Kopp, in France, and his wife in Baden, in Germany. This union is blessed with the following children: Josephine M.; Hortense B., a graduate; Ernst; Leopold, and Marguante F. Mr. Ehle is a member of St. Mary's Catholic church, St. Nicholas Society and the F. O. E. His hotel is well equipped and contains thirteen well furnished rooms.

#### EHRLICH OR ERICH FAMILY.

The founder of this family in Pennsylvania settled at an early day in the vicinity of Nazareth, Northampton county, Pa., where there are now numerous descendants.

John Ehrich, born in 1795, died in 1854, was a carpenter and farmer of Salisbury township. He married Catherine Schmidt. Issue: Mary (Mrs. Waldman); Sarah (Mrs. Glass); John, who lived and died in Allentown; Henry A., deceased; Catherine, married her cousin George Ehrich. They are buried at Eastern Salisbury church; and Charles Ehrich.

Charles Ehrich, son of John and Catherine (Schmidt) Ehrich, was born May 5, 1826, in Salisbury township. He attended the public schools of his native place and assisted his father. He earned the carpenter and stone mason trade from his uncle and followed this vocation in various sections until the spring of 1868, when he removed to Allentown, becoming a building and concrete contractor, following this line for nearly twenty years. He was a member of the Evangelical Church and belonged to the I. O. O. F., of Allentown.

Charles Ehrich married Jan. 1, 1845, Isabella Kemmerer, born Dec. 26, 1826, died June 9, 1887, daughter of Henry and Lydia (Hoffman) Kemmerer, of Salisbury township. The progenitor of this family in Pennsylvania was a native of Wurtemberg, Germany. He settled in Salisbury township about 1744, on land now owned by his grandson, Martin. Charles Ehrich died April 26, 1887, and was interred in Union cemetery, Allentown. They had children: Wil-

liam H., born Oct. 27, 1845, died during the Civil War in Andersonville Prison; Charles F., born Feb. 12, 1847, resides at Philadelphia; Henrietta C., born Oct. 19, 1848, deceased, married Charles Giltner; Mary, born Sept. 28, 1850, married William A. Smith; Henry K., of whom below; Sarah A., born Jan. 9, 1855, died 1860; John, died in infancy; Catherine A., also died in infancy; Martin L., born March 7, 1860, of Cedarville; Alfred Jacob, of whom below; Wilson U., born April 11, 1865, died 1912; Constance, born Feb. 23, 1868, died in 1872; and Emma J., born July 27, 1870, died 1874.

ALFRED JACOB EHRLICH, son of Charles and Isabella (Kemmerer) Ehrich, was born Jan. 6, 1863, near Big Rock, Salisbury township. He was educated in the common schools of his native township and of Allentown. When quite young he learned the trade of tailoring and at the end of his three years apprenticeship he followed his trade for seven years. In 1890 he entered the employment of Shankweiler & Lehr, where for the past twenty-three years he has been a cutter in their tailoring department. He is a member of Bethany United Evangelical church and belongs to the Loyal Order of Buffaloes.

Alfred Jacob Ehrich was married May 13, 1883, to Miss Florinda Boyer, daughter of David and Celinda (Fenstermacher) Boyer, of Weisenberg township. Issue: Mary C., born Sept. 4, 1883, died June 27, 1910; Constant Alfred; Isabella Helen; Elizabeth Florence; Marion Sarah; and Jesse Jacob, now studying medicine at Jefferson Medical College, in Philadelphia.

Constant A. Ehrich married Ida Snyder. Issue, a son Harold.

Isabella H., Elizabeth F., and Marion S. graduated at the Allentown high school, and also are graduates of the German hospital at Philadelphia as trained nurses, and are now engaged in that profession in the German hospital, Philadelphia.

#### WILLIAM EHRLICH.

William Ehrich, son of Josiah, was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, May 28, 1842.

Josiah Ehrich was born and reared in Salisbury township. He was a laborer, and died Aug. 4, 1849, in Catasauqua. His wife was Miss Polly Ann Frane. She died at Catasauqua in her 66th year. They had the following children: Bessie, married William Clader, both deceased; Carolina, married John Weaver, both deceased; Diana, married Freeman Knecht, both deceased; Tilghman, deceased, married Elisabeth Funk; Mary, married Jacob Trapp; Amelia, married Andrew Kleichman, deceased; William; Franklin, deceased, married Lydia Ann Sigley; Susanna,

died young; Sarah, married Jefferson Wolf, deceased. Mrs. Ehrich married, second, Frederick Wolf, and had one daughter, Amanda who married Paul Dieter.

At the age of six years William was left an orphan by the death of his father and was put among strangers. He attended school and worked on the farm for 12 or 15 years. He then worked in a brick yard at Catasauqua, and went through all the stages of brick manufacture.

On Sept. 20, 1896, he moved to Allentown and for seven years conducted a small store at Second and Linden streets. He now lives retired. On Jan. 10, 1863, he enlisted as a private in Co. F, 47th Regiment, P. V., for three years. He took part in the battles of Pocatalico, S. C.; St. John's Bluff, Fla.; Pleasant Hill, La.; Munson's Plains, La.; Winchester, Va.; Cedar Creek, Va.; Fisher's Hill, Va.; Berryville, and others, and also served as sharpshooter with his regiment for 8 months, then as teamster at headquarters.

He married, Aug. 15, 1868, Miss Senia Susanna Kidd, born Oct. 27, 1843, in Hanover township, daughter of Jos. and Susanna (Brong) Kidd. Mr. and Mrs. Ehrich are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a Republican and a member of G. A. R. Post, No. 13, Allentown. They have one child, Anna Senia, born in Catasauqua, April 14, 1869. She married Alfred H. Marks, born in Hanover township, in 1865, who is driver for Fire Company, No. 7, of the First ward, Allentown. They have one child, Rev. Edwin Oliver Marks, born in Allentown, Jan. 26, 1888. He is a graduate of the Allentown High school, Franklin and Marshall College, and the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster, and is pastor of a Reformed congregation in Johnstown, Pa. He married Mary Arbogast, of Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Marks had two children, who died young, Bertha May, aged six months, and William, in infancy.

#### EISENHARD FAMILY.

Andrew Eisenhard, the ancestor of this family, was born Sept. 22, 1715, and settled at an early date in Macungie township. He was naturalized April 10, 1761, and a few years later secured by warrant a tract of 300 acres of land in the township. He later added to this and at the time of his death on March 14, 1770, he owned 400 acres, which his eldest son, Andrew, secured at its valuation of £550. His wife, Anna Maria Eisenhard, was born Aug. 20, 1718, and died Feb. 14, 1760. He married the second time, March 14, 1764, Dorothea, widow of George Volck, *nee* Dewees, a native of Amity township,





*Friedrich Eberhard*





Philadelphia county, where she was born Aug. 18, 1722. Andrew Eisenhard and his wife were members of the Moravian Church and are buried at Emaus. He had seven children: Andrew, Joseph, Jacob, Margaret, Simon, Samuel, and one other name unknown.

Andrew Eisenhard, the eldest son, became the owner of his father's tract of land and married, Jan. 28, 1772, Elizabeth Jarrett. They had a number of children, among them Susanna, born Aug. 12, 1785; Elizabeth, born March 12, 1787; and Henry, born Feb. 3, 1788.

George Simon Eisenhard, son of Andrew, 1st, was born Feb. 7, 1752, and died Sept. 14, 1818.

Samuel Eisenhard, youngest son of Andrew, 1st, married Catharine Jarrett. She was born March 7, 1757, and died Sept. 14, 1823. Samuel Eisenhard died Sept. 14, 1818, leaving surviving his widow and ten children: Henry; Jacob; John; George; Magdalena, wife of Henry Haas; Catharine, wife of Henry Paul; Andrew; Hannah, wife of Philip Hittel; Susanna, wife of John Albright; and Lydia.

Andrew Eisenhard died in April, 1817, leaving a widow, Johanna, and eleven children. He owned 117 acres in Macungie. His children were: John; Jacob; Daniel; Mary, wife of Henry Koch; Elizabeth, wife of George Fred Kuhns; Andrew; Henry; George; Dorothy, wife of Daniel Baumer; Lydia, wife of Henry Wickert; and Gertrude.

Henry Eisenhard, son of Andrew, was a farmer and mason in Macungie township. He was born in 1793 and died in 1885, and was buried at Trexlertown. He married Mary Schmoyer and had seven children: Mary, who died single; Henry; Jonas; Lewis; Elvina, married Charles Ritter; Susanna, who died at the age of eighteen years; and Paul.

Lewis Eisenhard, son of Henry, was a tanner and carpenter in Macungie township, and a member of the Lehigh church Lutheran congregation. He married Mary, daughter of Conrad Ainey and wife, *nee* Bogert.

OSCAR O. EISENHARD, son of Lewis, was born March 13, 1862, at Chapman's Station. He attended the schools of his native township as well as others in Whitehall and Fullerton and was employed for several years on a farm, after which he was employed as a furnaceman in the Allentown Rolling Mills for one year. In 1882, he began to learn the business of a confectioner, and was employed by M. E. Brobst & Company, and by a Philadelphia firm. In 1902, he went into the confectionery business and after having conducted both manufacturing and retail business with Calvin Haas and John L. Landis, sold out in 1908 to H. F. Hausman and started in business

at 1009 Hamilton street. In March, 1912, he went into the manufacturing business at 38 North Sixth street, which he still conducts. Mr. Eisenhard is a member of St. Michael's Lutheran church, where he has served as deacon. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Mary Livingstone Chapter, No. 167, O. E. S.; and Carroll Council, Sr. O. A M., No. 71.

Mr. Eisenhard married, April 5, 1885, Miss Carrie E. Heimbach, daughter of Benjamin F. and Julia Ann (Wentz) Heimbach. Mrs. Eisenhard was the organizer of and first worthy matron of Anne Penn Allen Chapter, No. 145, Order of the Eastern Star, in 1913, and in 1914, was one of the organizers of and the first presiding officer of Mary Livingstone Chapter, No. 167, of the same order, as well as a member of the Palestine White Shrine, No. 5, meeting in Philadelphia.

CHARLES WILLIAM HENRY EISENHARD was born Nov. 10, 1879, in Lower Macungie township. He is a son of Charles Eisenhard and Tevilla Miller, and grandson of Henry Eisenhard, of East Macungie, whose wife was a Jacoby. The parents of Tevilla Miller were William R. Miller and wife Catherine, *nee* Kehm.

Charles W. H. Eisenhard attended the public schools of Lower Macungie and Salisbury townships. Having had early in life an inclination for teaching, he took two Spring courses of study in the Emaus high school. When he was ten years of age he had to leave school for two years, and after that missed from six to thirty days in a term. Notwithstanding these discouragements he kept on studying faithfully and supplementing his high school education with private studies he was able on Aug. 31, 1901, to successfully pass a teacher's examination. The following term he commenced teaching in Ritter's school, Salisbury township, and has taught in said township ever since.

While teaching he took private lessons in algebra from Edward Yellis, Professor of Mathematics in the Moravian Seminary, and in 1910 and 1911 he attended the Saturday course for teachers at Muhlenberg College, taking a course in mathematics under Prof. J. A. Bowman. In December, 1912, he was granted a Teacher's Professional Certificate.

Mr. Eisenhard was married in 1902 to Gertie E., daughter of Hiram B. and Senia (Sell) Long. This union was blessed with the following children: Malcolm Charles Russel, born Sept. 29, 1902; Althea Tevilla Orpha, born Dec. 30, 1905; and Emerson Everett, born April 1, 1910.

Mr. Eisenhard, although his ancestors were Republicans, accepted the principles of the Democratic party. His first vote for President was for William Jennings Bryan, in 1900. Having served his party as township committeeman for three years, and in 1908 as chairman of the Third Legislative District of Lehigh county, he was in 1909 elected justice of the peace of Salisbury township for a term of five years, which term will be extended to the first Monday in 1916.

He is a member of the Reformed Church and was confirmed by the Rev. Charles E. Schaeffer at the Western Salisbury church. To this church he still belongs, having served therein as deacon, elder, and trustee. He attended the Sunday school of the church and served over seven years as its superintendent. Later he organized the St. John's Sunday school at Summit Lawn, and he has been its superintendent ever since, except one year.

Mr. Eisenhard belongs to Lehigh Chamber O. K. of F., Lecha Wonk Tribe, I. O. R. M., and Lehigh Consuety, No. 40, K. F.

He is a stockholder in the Mountainville Telephone Company, a rural line of the Bell Company, and served as its secretary since its organization. During the last three terms he has been teacher of the Mountainville grammar school, also an officer for several years of the Lehigh County Teacher's Annual Institute.

William Walter Eisenhard, proprietor of the West End Hotel, Allentown, was born in the old Masonic Temple, Trexlertown, Jan. 25, 1876. He was educated in the common schools and later learned the trade of barber with M. F. Thomas of Allentown. For a period of 16 years he successfully conducted a barber shop in the West End Hotel.

On April 1, 1913, he purchased his father's interest in the hotel, who also owned and conducted it. The building contains about fifty rooms, together with bar connections. The hotel employs ten hands. Mr. Eisenhard is a member of the Longswamp Reformed church, and is a charter member of the Good Will Fire Company.

In 1896 he was married to Sallie R. Long, daughter of Dr. M. S. and Mary Swartz, of Longswamp. They have three children: Ray, Harry, and Hilda.

#### ALEXANDER BURNS ELLSWORTH.

The original Ellsworths, from whom the families by that name in America are the descendants, trace back many centuries. In 1660, Charles II, was restored to the throne. Four years afterwards the Episcopalians, having obtained the ascendance of power in church and state, commenced a severe and cruel persecution upon those

dissenters who refused compliance to the Conformity Act or their particular form of worship, imposing fines, imprisonment, banishment and death.

In 1664, one of the Ellsworth brothers, probably the eldest, fled to Holland. He there became incorporated with the Dutch and spelled his name after the Dutch pronunciation, Elswort. After a few years he emigrated with his family to America and settled in New York. His Christian name is believed to have been Theophilus. He and his descendants professed their attachment for the Dutch Reformed Church.

Six years later, 1670, persecutions being renewed with increased severity by the same power, the second brother fled and settled in Connecticut. From his descended the family of that state who spelled their name Ellsworth. To this family belonged Oliver Ellsworth, Chief Justice of the United States, who was born at Windsor, Connecticut, April 29, 1745, died in 1807, and William Ellsworth, at one time governor of that state. The name of this brother is supposed to have been Christopher.

About 1661 the third brother fled and settled at North Kingston, Rhode Island. His name is supposed to have been Arthur. He married a Mary Brown, of Providence, Rhode Island. He spelled his name Aylesworth. The descendants of these three brothers are said to resemble each other, having sandy hair, light skin, blue eyes, and often red whiskers.

Edward F. Ellsworth was born at Madelin, Dutchess county, New York, in 1810, died at Allentown, May 27, 1892, and was buried by the side of his wife in Mt. Hope cemetery, Rochester, New York. He was reared and educated in the vicinity of his birthplace, and his first occupation was that of a blacksmith, which he relinquished in order to give his entire attention to the nursery business. He migrated to Reading, where he remained only a short period of time, and shortly after the Civil War took up his residence in Allentown, where he spent the remainder of his days. He there engaged in the nursery business, locating in the Fifth ward, on the site of the present Fifth ward school building on North Sixth street, and successfully conducted the same until his retirement from active pursuits. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He married Cassie Burns, a native of Canada, of Scotch descent, daughter of Alexander Burns. She died in 1866. Earlier in life Mr. Ellsworth was engaged in lumbering in Canada, and in this way met his future wife.

Alexander Burns Ellsworth, son of Edward F. Ellsworth, was born in Rochester, New York. When a lad of ten years he accompanied his par-



ents to Allentown. He was educated in the public schools, the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, and Muhlenberg College. He became an assistant to his father, and in 1873 took over the floral part of the business, then located in the Fifth ward. In 1883 he removed his hot-houses to the corner of Tilghman and Fourth streets, where he has nearly two acres of land, and where he conducts a very extensive and profitable business. He erected ten residential houses on Fourth street, between Tilghman and Allen streets, also his own fine residence at the corner of Penn and Tilghman streets, all of which are equipped with every appliance for the comfort of those occupying them.

Mr. Ellsworth is a Democrat in politics. He was a member of the Common council from the Fifth ward, and later became the first select councilman of the Tenth ward. During his terms of office he served on the leading committees, and while a member of the latter body he had the honor of presenting a gavel to the retiring officer, M. P. Schantz, Esq. His presentation speech was regarded as a very able and suitable one for the occasion. In 1898 he was a candidate for mayor of Allentown; it was under the old delegate system; he was defeated for the nomination by a small vote through treachery on the part of a leader, now deceased, who was supposed to be his friend. In the year 1902, he became a member of the school board from the Tenth ward; he was twice elected by the section board. In 1911, under the new code, he was elected by the city one of the nine controllers. He was the temperance chairman of the new board, which he organized Dec. 4, 1911.

Mr. Ellsworth and his wife worship in Zion Reformed church, he serving as a member of the Consistory for some years, and also as a member of the Board of Trustees which had charge of the erection of the present beautiful edifice. Mr. Ellsworth is also prominent in musical circles of the city. He played solo alto in the Allentown Band for many years; played the violin in the Lockwood Orchestra, and assisted in singing in a number of concerts given in the Methodist Episcopal church. He has always been a contributing member of the Young Men's Christian Association, and was a director of the board for several years. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, Free and Accepted Masons, also of the Chapter and Commandery, all of Allentown.

Mr. Ellsworth married Mary E. Wetzel, daughter of Henry and Polly (Eisenhard) Wetzel, of Allentown.

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# ENGLER FAMILY.

Adam Engler, the ancestor of this family, had settled in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. There, in 1790, he was recorded as having a wife, a daughter and five sons, one of whom was above sixteen years and four were under sixteen years of age. Two of the sons were George and Adam, Jr., whose history follows.

Adam Engler, son of Adam, was born in Plainfield township about 1774. In earlier years he conducted a raft upon the Delaware river, then he removed upon a large farm in Ross township, now Monroe county; there he farmed until his death in 1822, aged 48 years. He is buried at the St. Michael's Union church. He was married to Sarah Larn. Children: Jacob, Edward, and Mrs. Peter Arnold. Three of the Sons were Jacob, George, and Adam, Jr.

Jacob Engler, son of Adam, was born in Monroe county, Dec. 28, 1813, died May 4, 1881, and is buried at Kunkeltown. After his father's death he was reared in another family and when he became of age part of the homestead came in his possession. It had been divided between himself and his brother Edward, but soon afterward Jacob sold his share to his brother and bought a farm in Eldred township upon which he died.

He was married to Christian Schlabach, daughter of Daniel Schlabach. She was born June 19, 1816, died Jan. 14, 1887. Their children were: Levi; Lizzie, married to Paul Froebel; Mary E., married to Aaron Seifert; Matilda, married to Joseph Teel; Adam, of Center Valley, Lehigh county; Christian, married to Sydney Smith; and Francis, who occupies his father's homestead.

Levi Engler was born Sept. 14, 1837. He owned a ninety-acre farm in Eldred township, near Kunkeltown, Monroe county, which he cultivated twelve years, then moved to Millport, Carbon county, and lived there six years. In 1896 he settled in Allentown, where he has since resided in his home at No. 535 Liberty street. While Mr. Engler was a resident of Eldred township, he was school director, also served the Church as a deacon and elder.

In 1867 he married Mary Ann, daughter of Samuel and Catharine (Smith) Metzger, of Monroe county. She died on Aug. 6, 1910, aged 64 years, and is buried on Hillside cemetery, Fullerton. Their children follow: Alice, widow of Edwin Smith, Allentown; Permilla, single; A. Lizzie, a dressmaker; Samuel J., history follows; Cora, married to Winfield Koehler, Allentown.

Samuel J. Engler, member of the Crescent

Electric Company, Allentown, was born at Kunkeltown, Monroe county, Pa., Oct. 1, 1878. He was educated in the public school and in the American Commercial College, Allentown. In 1898 he entered upon the apprenticeship to learn the electrical business with C. E. Missimer, of Allentown, but the last two and a half years of his apprenticeship he served with the Coplay Cement Company, in whose employ he was for four and one-half years more, having charge of the company's electrical work. Afterward for one year he was employed by the Atlas Portland Cement Company. In 1904 he accepted the position as foreman with the Bethlehem Steel Company, and eighteen months later he became manager for the Thomas Engineering Company, at Allentown, whom he served with marked ability until in July, 1909, when he formed an association with Frederick K. Fogel. They trade under the name of the Crescent Electric Company and have their office at 724 Court street. They are general electrical contractors and dealers in supplies, and have been successful from the beginning, both members being practical and experienced mechanics. In 1914 this firm had the contract to equip the fine edifice of the Salem Reformed church, Allentown. Mr. Engler is a graduate in the electrical engineering course of the International Correspondence School, at Scranton, Pa. Socially he is a member of the B. P. O. E.

On June 28, 1905, he married Catharine May Winsch, daughter of William and Clara (Desch) Winsch, who is the manager of Swift & Co., at Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Engler are members of Salem Reformed church.

George Engler, son of Adam, was married to Miss Reisch. They occupied a farm near Butztown, Northampton county; there he died in 1858, at an advanced age, and is buried at the Altenan church. They had the following children: John; Samuel; George; Joseph; Catharine, married to Charles Wenner; Sarah, married to Mr. Fox; and Michael.

John Engler, born in 1801, and died in 1882. He was married to Mary Beaver, who died in 1842. He followed farming near Weaversville, in Allen township, and had children as follows, (with his first wife) William, died in Catasauqua; Mary Ann, born Nov. 13, 1829, married to George Minnich; Christiana, married to Abraham Danner; Samuel, died at Catasauqua; George A., and Amanda, married to Dr. John C. Kolb. Mr. Engler was married the second time to Sallie Heller. Issue: Ellen, married to Monroe Schank, now residing in Sterling, Kansas.

George A. Engler, a son of John and Mary (Beaver) Engler, was born in Allen township

December 19, 1840. He was raised on the farm and after he was married conducted a farm for himself until 1890. The next five years he was in the butchering business at Catasauqua, after which he took up carpentering, which he has since followed. He is a member of the United Evangelical Church, in which he has been steward and class leader for many years. On September 22, 1862, he enlisted in Co. D, 153rd Regiment Pa. Volunteers, and served until July 26, 1863. He saw active service, having been in the battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburg. In 1864 he was married to Anna Schwoyer, daughter of Samuel and Katie (Heistand) Schwoyer, of Kreidersville. Issue: Cora, married to Aunamon Lynn; Wilson, deceased; George T.; Anna M., deceased; Sarah J.; Samuel, married to Mame Herbel; Mary, married to John van Blargen, and Charles, married to Lizzie Williams.

GEORGE F. ENGLER, of Catasauqua, was born in Allen township, January 2, 1871. He received his education in the public schools. After clerking in a store for two years, he learned the butcher trade in Catasauqua. He followed this business at Allentown, Slatington and Catasauqua for fifteen years. From 1891 to 1897 he lived in Kansas and Colorado.

In August, 1897, he became foreman in the Neverslip Department of the Bryden Horse Shoe Co. He holds membership in the Sons of Veterans and the Order of Redmen. In July, 1891, he was married to Emma Fahler, a daughter of George and Judith (Weaver) Fahler. To them the following children were born: Sadie A. L.; Earl D. G.; Roy O. M.; Carl A. R.; Welcome; and June W. N.

Joseph Engler, son of George, was born about 1809, died in 1880. He lived on the line of Lower Nazareth and Bethlehem townships. He was married to Lucy Ann, daughter of the famous herb and pow-wow doctor, Abraham Saylor, of Northampton county. They had thirteen children, viz: 1. Dr. George, born Nov. 21, 1834. 2. Catharine, married Enos Hackman. They lived in Oklahoma. 3. Edwin. 4. Daniel. 5. Wianna. 6. Sabina, married Edwin Neimeyer. 7. Emanuel, whose son Edgar had a son, Joseph. 8. Delilah, married Henry Neimeyer. 9. Mary Rebecca, married Jos. Welser. 10. Charles, of Easton. 11. John, of Franklin, Indiana. 12. Horner, who died in Kansas. 13. Ellen A.

#### ENGLEMAN FAMILY.

Andrew Engleman arrived at Philadelphia from Germany on the ship Janet, on Oct. 7, 1751, and settled in Lower Milford township, where he acquired about 150 acres of land by purchase



from Michael Stocker and later secured additional land. On March 3, 1757, he sold one acre to the Chestnut Hill Reformed congregation, of which he was a member, for ten shillings. At the opening of the Revolution he was active in the cause of the Colonies, and was elected a member of the County Committee of Observation on Dec. 21, 1774, and served through 1775 and 1776, representing his township, with Frederick Limbach. He built a grist-mill near Limeport, which was afterwards owned by one of his sons. His sons were: Adam, Peter, and Jacob.

Adam Engelman, as well as his brothers, served in the Revolutionary War. He owned a tract of 285 acres in Lower Milford township.

Peter Engelman was born June 7, 1754, and died Jan. 1, 1812. He owned 150 acres in the township. He and his wife Catharine had eleven children: John; Elizabeth, m. John Schitz; Catharine, m. Peter Hager; Hannah, b. July 28, 1789, m. Jacob Ott; George, b. April 20, 1791; Abraham, b. May 19, 1793; Peter, b. Dec. 29, 1794; Maria, b. Nov. 7, 1796; David; Israel; and Eliza.

Henry Engelman, who was born in Upper Milford (now Lower Milford), Oct. 7, 1775, died at Allentown in August, 1874, aged 98 years. He married Elizabeth Owen and was the father of Lewis M. Engelman. His brothers were Michael, George, Jacob, Andrew, and one other, who removed to Union county.

Lewis M. Engelman, county commissioner's clerk from 1867 to 1878, was born April 25, 1819, and died May 20, 1901. He married Catharine Harwick, who died April 19, 1902, aged 68 years. Their children were: Henry W.; Mark L.; Mrs. Samuel D. Lehr; Mrs. Alvin W. Lawfer; and Clinton C., of Allentown; Mrs. Alfred Shafer, of Upper Saucon; Mrs. Julius Trexler, of Allentown; Mrs. Eugene Kemmerer, of Emaus; and Mrs. William Dubbs.

Jacob Engelman was a farmer and lived near Limeport, in Lower Milford township. He was buried at the Blue church. He married Elizabeth Weaver, who bore him the following named children, all of whom are now deceased: Reuben; Nellie, became the wife of Daniel Buchecker; Mary, became the wife of Leopold Keim; Rebecca became the wife of Abraham Keck; Charles; Jacob; Samuel; Levi.

Lewis M. Engelman, son of Henry Engelman, was born in Upper Milford township, but in early manhood became a resident of Saucon township, his later years being spent on a small farm in Locust Valley. He served for some years as a clerk for the commissioners of Lehigh county. He was a member of the Reformed congregation of Blue church. He married Catharine Har-

wick, born March 7, 1834, died April 19, 1902. Children: George W., born 1857, died Jan. 24, 1887, aged thirty years and eight months; Emma E., married Alfred Schaeffer, died and was buried at the Blue church; Jennie M., became the wife of Eugene Kemmerer, and they reside at Emaus; Kate, became the wife of Julius W. Trexler, and they reside at Allentown; Ida V., became the wife of Alvin W. Lawfer; Carrie M., became the wife of William H. Dubbs, of Emaus; Marcus L., of whom further. The father of these children died at Allentown, May 13, 1901.

MARCUS L. ENGLEMAN, youngest son of Lewis M. and Catherine (Harwick) Engleman, was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania, April 23, 1870. He was educated in the common schools of his native city. He then learned the trade of carriage painting with S. Y. Kern & Son, for whom he worked thirteen years, leaving on account of impaired health. In 1902 he took up his residence in Coopersburg, and purchased a green grocery business located on Main street, which he conducted successfully for a period of almost ten years, then disposed of in order to devote his entire time to his official duties as justice of the peace, to which office he was elected in 1902, re-elected in 1907, the term being extended to Jan. 1, 1914, under an Act of Assembly. He served as school director from 1898 to 1901, and has served in the capacity of secretary of the town council since 1900. He was one of the organizers of the First National Bank of Coopersburg, became one of its first directors and has served ever since, and on Oct. 7, 1912, was elected president of the bank, succeeding James T. Blank.

Mr. Engleman is a member of St. Paul's Reformed church. He has been a member of Coopersburg Lodge, No. 390, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, since 1891, is a past grand, having twice been a past officer, and later served as District deputy grand master of Lehigh county. He is also a member of Saucon Encampment, No. 117. He is a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Engleman married in 1898, Katie Jordan, daughter of Frank and Sarah (Kline) Jordan.

#### CHARLES EPPINGER.

Charles Eppinger was born Jan. 22, 1846, in Wittenberg, Germany. He was educated in the common schools and later learned the trade of cabinet maker. He emigrated to America in 1866, and landed at New York City. While there he was employed by the Harlem River Railroad Company as carpenter and cabinet maker for a period of 23 years. He came to Allentown in 1889, and for a short period was engaged as cabinet maker, later launching in the contracting business, building numerous houses in and about

Allentown. Mr. Eppinger was very skillful in his line, and built his present home and every article of furniture himself. His home is located at Summit Lawn, Upper Saucon township.

He was married at Philadelphia in 1868, by Rev. Wyley, to Mary Drucksess, who was born March 30, 1845, at Wittenberg, Germany. She was a daughter of Bernard and Maria (Schlantz) Drucksess. She came to America when 19 years old, and lived at Philadelphia until her marriage. They have three children: Anna, m. Charles Bortz; Augustus, m. Charles Gruly, and resides at Schenectady, N. Y.; and Louisa, at home.

Joseph Eppinger, father of Charles, was a carpenter and a native of Wittenberg, Germany. He married Mary Eberly. They had the following children: George, William, Ludwig, Joseph, August, and Barbara, who all lived and died in Germany; and Charles Eppinger.

#### ERB FAMILY.

Among the pioneer families of Pennsylvania were the Erbs. The ancestor, John Casper Erb, a German by birth, settled in Douglass township, Montgomery county, before the close of the first half of the eighteenth century. Among his children were two sons: Johan George, and Heinrich Erb.

Jonas Erb, probably a grandson of the ancestor, was a farmer and a cabinetmaker in Montgomery county. His wife died young. They had the following children: Edward, John, who lived near Pennsburg, Pa.; Susan, married to Benjamin Moyer, and Rebecca, married to John Strunk.

Edward Erb, son of Jonas, and the father of Henry M. Erb, of Allentown, was born in 1827, in Montgomery county. There Edward Erb followed the trade of a shoemaker and also that of a stone mason. He died in October, 1910, aged 73 years; and he was buried at East Greenville, Montgomery county. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He married Susan, a daughter of George Miller. They had the following children: Henry M., Elizabeth, married to Benjamin Fenstermacher, of Emaus; John, died young; and George, of Allentown.

HENRY MILLER ERB, one of the prosperous business men of Allentown, was born near Sassamansville, Douglass township, Montgomery county, September 22, 1861, son of Edward and Susan (Miller) Erb.

He attended the common schools for a few winter seasons, and at sixteen he was employed by Dr. Isaac Yeakel, at Bally, Berks county, Pennsylvania, and remained in his employ upwards of three years, receiving a monthly salary

of twelve dollars, including his board and lodging. Some years afterward Mr. Erb engaged in farming at East Greenville. There he continued for two years; then removed to Macungie, and later to Emaus. In the year 1890, he located at Allentown, and was employed for two years, by Frank Ritz, at the butcher trade. Later on, Mr. Erb engaged in the butcher business for himself and to this he added the grocery business, also. He conducted a grocery store in a most successful manner for twelve years. It was located at the corner of Washington and Lumber streets, and there he erected the present brick building in 1899. In connection with the butcher and grocery business Mr. Erb also dealt in real estate, and carried on extensive building operations, until, up to the present time, he has erected upwards of forty-five substantial homes in the northwest sections of the city of Allentown. He and family reside in a fine, commodious corner residence at Washington and Eighth streets.

Mr. Erb is the senior member of the established baking house of Erb and Heimbach. The large bakery is located at the northwest corner of Ninth and Tilghman streets. This firm enjoy the reputation of being the leading cake and pastry bakers in the entire city. They employ a large force of people in the successful conduct of their business, and are one of the reliable business houses of Allentown. Mr. Erb is a self made man. He is industrious and enterprising and has a reputation that is beyond reproach. He is an active member of Trinity U. E. Church.

On May 1, 1885, he was married to Elemina Schneider, daughter of Philip Schneider, whose full history appears in this volume. Unto them were born the following children: Ella; Agnes; Carrie; Mamie; Charles; Edwin P., and Millie S. Of the above children, Ella, Carrie, and Mamie died in 1891, from scarlet fever, as did Willie Aichroth, a half brother, and John M. Schneider, a brother of Mrs. Erb. The four named children died within fifteen days time. Agnes and Charles Erb died in their youth.

Mrs. Erb had first been married to Lewis W. Aichroth, and they had two children, namely: Anna and Willie, who died young. After the death of Mr. Aichroth, his widow became the wife of Mr. Erb.

#### ANDREW ERBOR.

Andrew Erbor was born in Bavaria, Germany, Sept. 18, 1852, and accompanied his widowed mother to America when ten years old. After landing, his mother located near Friedensville and there he found employment in the zinc mines





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when only eleven years of age. He continued there two years when he moved to Guth's Station, along the C. & F. R. R., and worked in iron-ore mines there and at Siegersville for many years. He then accompanied his mother to Sandusky, Ohio, and there worked in stone quarries and the machine shop for a time, when he returned to Lehigh county and followed engineering at ore mines at Perryville, Hellertown and Siegersville for a number of years; at Egypt for the American Cement Company for 16 years, and at the Lehigh University in South Bethlehem for 3 years, and since 1911 at the almshouse of Lehigh county as chief engineer. He is a Democrat in politics, and is a member of the Lutheran Church, American Order of Steam Engineers, and Knights of the Golden Eagle.

Mr. Erbor was married to Ellen E. LeFevre, of South Whitehall, daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth (Yale) LeFevre, and they had seven children: Robert; George; Stella, m. L. Mertz; Miles; Stanley; Ella; and Cora, who died when six years old.

Mr. Erbor's mother died at the age of 83 years and was buried at Egypt.

#### WILLIAM EDGAR ERDELL.

William Edgar Erdell, President of Penn. Allen Cement Co., Allentown, Pa., is a descendant in the fourth generation of John Erdell, a native of Paris, France, who with his family, among whom were sons, Jacob and John, Jr., crossed the Atlantic to America, landing at Philadelphia, in 1807. His son, John Erdell, grandfather of William E. Erdell, was born February 3, 1802, and was reared in the city of Philadelphia, learned the shoemaker's trade in his youth, and on starting out in life on his own account established his home in Upper Macungie, Pennsylvania, where he followed shoemaking for some time. He afterward became connected with the operation of the limestone quarries, and with his father removed to Fogelsville, where he spent his remaining days, his death occurring in March 6, 1862: He had been reared in the Catholic faith, of which church his father was a communicant, but John Erdell, Jr., became a member of the Lutheran church. He married Christiana Stern, a daughter of Morton Stern, a native of Heidelberg township, Lehigh county. She departed this life in 1883, in her 80th year. She was the second wife of John Erdell, and unto them were born three children: Francis, Eugene C. F., and William H. The last named married Mary Geidner, and they had three children: (1) Edgar E., married, Annie Bloss, and had three children: Ralph, Leonard, and Russel, and after the death of his first wife he married a

Miss Peters, and had one child, Hazel. (2) Bertha, the elder daughter of William H., and Mary Erdell, became the wife of John Meyle, and had two children: Roland and Willie. (3) Lizzie, married Frank Oswald, and had three children: Harold, John and Mary.

Francis Erdell, son of John and Christiana Erdell, was born in Upper Macungie, Lehigh county, April 10, 1845. He spent the days of his boyhood and youth in Fogelsville, and acquired his education there by attending the public schools. He was but seventeen years of age when in 1862 he enlisted in Co. G, Third Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and the following year he was transferred to Co. E, 188th Regt. Penna. Infantry. He participated in many important engagements, including the battle of Drury's Bluff, Va., May 16, 1864, and Cold Harbor from the 1st to the 6th of June of that year. In the last conflict he was wounded in the neck and was carried unconscious from the field by his comrades and sent to Whitehouse, Virginia, and thence to Washington, D. C., where he remained until his wound was healed. The bullet had gone entirely through the neck, and his is the only recorded case of recovery after such a wound. He was mustered out of service at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, June 20, 1865. Returning to Catasauqua he entered the employ of the Catasauqua and Fogelsville Railroad Co. When he had served in the repair shops for two months he was made brakeman, and in 1872 was appointed baggage master on the local passenger train, thus serving until February, 1891, when he was made conductor of that train. In the railroad service he has become widely known, and his courteous, obliging treatment of the patrons of the road has gained him many friends. Socially, he is connected with the Fuller Post, No. 378, G. A. R., of which he is a charter member, and in which he has served as quartermaster for three years.

Francis Erdell was married Aug. 18, 1866, to Miss Catharine Reinhart, who was born in South Whitehall township, February 18, 1846, daughter of Ephraim and Mary (Wetzel) Reinhart. Her father was born in Lower Milford, Pa., and in his youth learned and followed the shoemaker's trade. His death occurred, however, in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county. His wife was a daughter of George Wetzel, who served as a member of the patriot army throughout the entire period of the Revolutionary War. Mrs. Catharine Erdell was the second of a family of three children. Her brother, Francis R., married Amanda Frey, and had two children, Edwin and Katie. Alexander married Matilda Kerschner, and had one child, Harvey, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Erdell became the

parents of nine children: Ellen, who resides in McAfee Valley, N. J.; William Edgar; Harvey, who died in infancy; Mary C., who was first married to Milton Sell, of Bethlehem, Pa., and they had two children, Allen and Wilmur. After the death of Mr. Sell she married Robert J. Walker, of Catasauqua; Henry F., who died at the age of ten years; Alice, who died in infancy; Charles W.; Edith V.; and Clayton H.

William Edgar Erdell was born Sept. 1, 1868. He attended the public schools of Whitehall township, was afterward graduated from the Hokendauqua High School in 1886, and later attended the Allentown Business College, where he completed his education. Entering business life, he was employed at different places for about two years, and then secured a position as office boy with the American Cement Co., at Egypt, in 1888. He remained with that company for thirteen years, or until 1901, and through his close application, unfaltering energy and devotion to the interests of the house he won continued promotion and when he severed his connection therewith he was occupying the position of assistant superintendent. He resigned in 1901 and accepted a position as general superintendent with the Whitehall Portland Cement Company, at Cementon, Pa., where he had supervision over the labor of three hundred and seventy-five workmen, and the product of the plant is about three thousand barrels of Portland cement daily. In Jan. 15, 1907, he became general manager for the Penn Allen Cement Company of Allentown, and in Aug., 1910, he became president of the said company, in which concern he now holds a large interest. They employ 225 people and manufacture 750,000 barrels of cement annually. The main office of the company is at Allentown and the works are near Nazareth. The company owns 180 acres of cement and lime-stone land. Mr. Erdell is well qualified for the responsibilities of his important position, having a thorough and practical training in the business.

In social relations Mr. Erdell is connected with the Masonic fraternity and with the Livingstone Club. In his religious views he is a Lutheran, and politically, is a staunch Republican, inflexible and unfaltering in his adherence to the party.

William Edgar Erdell was married April 22, 1896, to Miss Minnie E. Peck, who was born in Jordan, N. Y. Her paternal grandparents were Bennett and Sallie (Cain) Peck. Her father, Smith Peck, was a stonemason and contractor, of Jordan, N. Y., where he conducted a prosperous business for many years. He belongs to the Ancient Order of United Workmen. His wife bore the maiden name of Lorinda Cornish, who

was a daughter of Seymour and Ellen (Gardnere) Cornish. Smith and Lorinda Peck had three children: Hattie, Minnie and Fred, Minnie being the wife of William E. Erdell.

#### ERDMAN FAMILY.

John Erdman, of Pfungstadt, Hesse Darmstadt, German, emigrated to America upon the ship *St. Andrew Gally*, which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 24, 1737. Prior to 1750, this pioneer had settled upon a large tract of land located near Center Valley, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. The Erdman homestead remained in the family for many generations, and there he died before 1760. His widow, Anna Catharine, was born in 1682; died Oct. 29, 1760, aged 78 years. Their son, Andreas Erdman, was twice married. His first wife was Anna Dorothea, who was born October, 1726, died Jan. 5, 1753. He married second, August 5, 1753, Anna Margaretha Frederick. His children were: (1) John; (2) Abraham; (3) Andrew; (4) Jacob, b. March 14, 1750, d. Feb. 21, 1753; (5) John George, b. April 22, 1754; (6) Yost; (7) Catharine, b. Feb. 14, 1748; (8) Sybilla; and (9) Anna Margaretha.

Abraham (2) removed to Westmoreland county, Pa., at an early day, and his descendants are lost sight of. Andrew (3) and Yost (6) settled in Hilltown, Bucks county, Pa., and they are the ancestors of many of the name now residing in that county. John George (5) settled in Upper Saucon, and had two sons, John and Jacob, the latter named being the father of Jacob H., of Emaus; Charles H. and Elias H. Erdman, of Upper Saucon. Catharine married Jacob Barnhart; Sybilla married Henry Bitz, and removed to Lower Mount Bethel, Pa.; Anna Margaret married George Sober, who with the family of Jacob Barnhart also settled in Westmoreland county.

Jacob Erdman (4), son of Andreas and Anna Maria (Frederick) Erdman, was born August 15, 1763; died April 30, 1819. He married Catharine Romig, born March 19, 1774, died May 15, 1856, and settled on the old Erdman homestead, and they were the parents of eight children: Jacob (1), of whom below; Isare (2); Aaron (3); John (4); Elizabeth (5); Catharine (6); Theresa (7); and Judith (8).

Isare (2) married Catharine Gangware; their daughter married Alfred J. Breinig, of Allentown; Aaron (3) married (first) Anna Breinig, and (second) Maria Weider. He resided at Macungie; John (4) married Hannah Keck, of whom elsewhere. Elizabeth (5) married Ehrhard Weaver, and was the grandmother of Victor B. Weaver, of Coopersburg, Pa., and John



B. Weaver, of Center Valley; Catharine -(6) married Solomon Reichard, no issue. Judith (8) married John G. Brunner.

(1) Hon. Jacob Erdman, eldest son of Jacob (4) and Catharine (Romig) Erdman, succeeded to the old homestead. He was a prominent and influential citizen, and represented his district in the Twenty-ninth Congress of the United States from 1845 to 1847. His efforts in the Legislature in behalf of the public school system were recognized as largely effective of its adoption in Pennsylvania.

Hon. Jacob Erdman married Sarah Hartzel, Catherine (Romig) Erdman, had children, viz: (1) Enos, of whom below; (2) Addison; (3) Charles; (4) Jacob; (5) Rebecca; (6) Eliza; (7) Maria; (8) Sarah; (9) Belinda; (10) Adaline.

Addison Erdman, the second son of Hon. Jacob and Sarah (Hartzel) Erdman, born about 1824, married Mary Fogel; they had Enos F. and Annie Erdman. Charles (3) and Jacob (4) died in youth; Rebecca (5) married Charles W. Cooper, of Allentown, and after her death he married her sister, Sarah (8). Eliza (6) married Henry S. Cope, of Sellersville, Maria (7) and Belinda (9) unmarried; Adaline (10) married Dr. J. A. Laros, of Coopersburg.

Enos Erdman, the eldest son of Hon. Jacob and Sarah (Hartzel) Erdman, was born April 16, 1822, in Upper Saucon township. He was one of the most representative men of the county, in all its varied interests. Industry, integrity, energy, a spirit of social, business and public enterprise, together with a large and fine physique, were the prominent characteristics by which he was known. Primarily a farmer, he took a thorough and practical interest in agriculture, holding the position of president of the Lehigh county Agricultural Society for the last twelve years of his life. He also engaged in mining and manufacturing; was a bank director, and was often selected to manage important private trusts. He was one of the projectors of the Allentown and Coopersburg turnpike, and was president of that company continuously until his death. He fostered educational institutions, public and private, and was once a trustee of Muhlenberg College. In quite early life he was captain of a cavalry company, "The Saucon Troop," in the volunteer military service.

Ardent and influential in politics, he never sought any office of emolument, but was often given places of distinction. He was a prominent Odd Fellow, Mason, and Knight Templar, and was one of the founders of F. & A. M. lodge at Coopersburg. He died March 22, 1884, at his home at Center Valley, while yet in the full prime of life and was interred under the same monu-

ment as his father, in Woodland cemetery, at St. Paul's church (Blue church), where he was a member of the Lutheran congregation, it being the same church and burial place where his ancestors had worshipped and were buried during a century and a half preceding his death.

Enos Erdman was married to Annie Keck, daughter of Solomon Keck, of Salisbury township; she survived him. They had children, viz.: Preston K. Erdman, a member of the Philadelphia bar; Dr. Frank C. Erdman, of Center Valley; and the Hon. Constantine Jacob Erdman, of whom below.

HON. CONSTANTINE JACOB ERDMAN, former member of Congress from the Berks-Lehigh district of Pennsylvania, prominent member of the Lehigh county bar, and leading citizen, was born Sept. 4, 1846, in Center Valley, Lehigh county, Pa., son of Enos and Anna (Keck) Erdman and grandson of the Hon. Jacob and Sarah (Hartzel) Erdman. He was the author of the widely quoted Erdman law for settlement of labor disputes.

His boyhood days were devoted to the mastery of the branches of learning, taught in the public schools and in a private school at Quakertown, Pa. He subsequently attended a classical school conducted by Dr. A. R. Horne, and his education was completed at the Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg, Pa., from which he was graduated in 1865, with first honors, at the age of 17 years.

He studied law in the office of Robert E. Wright, Sr., and was admitted to the bar, Oct. 28, 1867. He soon won distinction in his profession and became one of the leaders of the bar, and he was a well known figure in the district and state courts, being retained on one side or the other of almost every important case.

He was at first a partner with the late Major John H. Oliver, later with Thomas F. Diefenderfer, and latterly with his only son, Max S. Erdman.

Mr. Erdman was elected District Attorney of Lehigh county in 1874 and served three years. During the same time also he was Adjutant of the Fourth Regiment, N. G., Pa., under Col. T. H. Good, and he saw service in the labor riots of July, 1877, at Reading, when rioters assaulted the soldiers in the railroad cut with stones and other missiles, fracturing his collarbone.

Mr. Erdman was also closely identified with industrial Allentown. For a number of years he was president of the Coplay Cement Company, the Allentown and Coopersburg Turnpike Company, and the Allen Mutual Fire Insurance Company, in addition to active connection with other enterprises conducive to the business development of the city.

He was at one time a member of the board of trustees of Muhlenberg College and a member of the Livingstone Club. Religiously he held to the tenets of the Lutheran faith and was identified with St. Lutheran church.

During the 80's and 90's, the great rivalry for congressional honors between Mr. Erdman and the late Congressman William H. Sowden, formed a matter of state interest. He was, in 1892, elected to congress from the Berks-Lehigh

His greatest achievement and that which gave him a national reputation, was the passage of the *Erdman Arbitration Act*, which is now frequently resorted to as the last act in labor disputes and which has saved many an expensive battle between labor and capital. The great importance of this act was evident when the engineers of sixty-four railroads extending from Chicago, settled their difficulties with their companies under the Erdman Act.



HON. JACOB ERDMAN.

district, and re-elected in 1894. He became noted for two things, first his great friendship with Speaker Thomas Brackett Reed, and also for his persistent objections to private pension grabs.

A staunch Democrat, Mr. Erdman was thoroughly versed in the history of his party, and all its principles and tenets, and he could apply to any political situation the soundest logic in line with Democratic doctrine.

The Erdman Act was designed to provide a means of enabling inter-state railroads and their employees engaged in operating trains to reach amicable agreements when disputes arise between them.

It provided that in evidence of a controversy between a road doing an interstate business and its train operatives, if the dispute is likely to result in an interruption of interstate traffic, that at the suggestion of either side, the chairman of





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the interstate commerce commission, who was Judge Judson C. Clemens, and the Commissioner of Labor, who was Charles P. Neill, acted as mediators to bring about the agreement.

If the mediators fail in their efforts a method of arbitration is provided for whereby each side selects an arbitrator, and these two select a third, who acts as umpire.

In the event of the failure of the first two to agree upon a third within five days, the mediators are empowered to designate such person. The findings of the arbitrators are final and binding, at least morally. No penalty is provided for failure to abide by it, however. The duty of the mediators ends if they are unable to bring about an agreement direct, or when both sides agree to arbitrate the differences, excepting to appoint a third arbitrator is necessary.

The Erdman Act was advocated by President Roosevelt, soon after the settlement of the anthracite coal strike of 1902.

During his term of office a great political fight occurred in 1905, over the recognition of the First Defenders of 1861. Congressman Erdman ably championed the cause for the five Pennsylvania companies, while Col. James, of the Sixth Infantry of Massachusetts, who then served as a member of Congress, savagely contested the honor for his regiment. A violent debate ensued resulting in that Mr. Erdman almost succeeded in having the Pennsylvania companies honored as the First Defenders of the National Capitol. The House of Representatives at the request of President Cleveland, passed a resolution authorizing the award of medals of honor to both regiments.

For twenty years he was attorney for the county commissioners.

He was a Past Master of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; a member of Coopersburg Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F., and of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity.

He died Jan. 15, 1911, from paralysis, having suffered, for some eleven years, many previous attacks of this malady. Interment was in Fairview cemetery, Allentown.

Hon. Constantine Jacob Erdman was married in 1875 to Miss Mary Schall, daughter of John Rupp and Rosie Ann (Fogel) Schall. Mr. Schall, one of the oldest merchants of Allentown, was a son of David and Mary (Rupp) Schall, and Mrs. Erdman's mother was a daughter of Benjamin and Nancy (Trexler) Fogle. The marriage was the union of two of the oldest and most influential families in Lehigh county—families that helped to make the history of the county.

Unto them were born two children, viz: Mary Constance and Max Schall Erdman, of whom below.

MAX SCHALL ERDMAN, ESQ., the present county solicitor, was born in the city of Allentown, July 20, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of the city, and had instructions from a private tutor prior to his entering Muhlenberg College, from which he was graduated with honors in 1894. During the following year his father was elected to congress and Max S. became his private secretary, attending at the same time, while in Washington, D. C., the Georgetown University, from which he graduated in 1896. He read law with his father, and was admitted to the Lehigh county bar, April 19, 1899, and afterward practiced the profession with his preceptor, under the firm name of Erdman and Erdman. After the death of his distinguished father, he came in possession of the former's large law library, also was named one of the administrators of the large estate of C. J. Erdman.

Max S. Erdman is prominently identified with the following lodges, clubs, and organizations: Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Allen Commandery K. T., No. 20; Allen Council, No. 23, all of Allentown; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading; B. P. O. E., No. 130; Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F.; Red Hawk Tribe, No. 55, I. O. R. M.; Jr. O. U. A. M., No. 287; Allentown Castle K. G. E., No. 55; Allentown Aerie No. 110, F. O. E.; Allentown Nest of Owls No. 77; Allentown Den of Lions, F. O. A. L.; the University Club; the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, of which he is the Worthy Grand Keeper of the Exchequer; the Livingston Club; the Clover Club; the Mercantile Club of Emaus; the Lehigh County Democratic Club; the Liberty Fire Company, the Lehigh County Historical Society, the president Allentown tri-state baseball club; and he has in his possession the original passport of his ancestor, John Yost Erdman.

Max Schall Erdman married on Nov. 10, 1900, Miss Clara L. Biery, daughter of the late Hon. Uriah and Elizabeth (Fegley) Biery.

Miss M. Constance Erdman was educated in the Allentown College for Women, and graduated at Casell Seminary in 1903, located in Auburndale, Massachusetts. She has traveled in her own and foreign countries. In 1914 she engaged in the real estate, investment, and insurance business with offices in the building formerly occupied by her father. She is the manager of the Women's Department of the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company, thus having the honor of opening the first women's department of life insurance in Lehigh and Northampton counties.

John Erdman, the fourth son of Jacob and

Catherine (Romig) Erdman, had children, viz: (1) Daniel; (2) Henry; (3) Jacob; (4) John; (5) Catherine.

Daniel married Maria Miller—they had Daniel and Owen, of Bucks county, and a daughter, Mrs. Abraham Moyer, of Lower Milford.

Henry (2) married Catharine Seem—had Henry Erdman, of Steinsburg; Reuben, of Gerysville; Mrs. Charles B. Kemmerer, of Salisbury; and Mr. J. F. Matts, of Coopersburg.

Jacob (3) married Catharine Hall; issue: David Erdman, whose son Ammon resided in Emaus; Elias H. Erdman, whose son, Rev. A. E., is located at Nazareth; and Mrs. Absalom Sell, and Mrs. Philip Meitzler, of Upper Saucon. Catharine (5) married Henry Berkenstock, and had John, of Lower Milford. She had a sister, who married Gerhard Bechtel, and settled in Berks county.

John Erdman, son of Jacob and Catharine (Romig) Erdman, was born in Upper Saucon township in 1803, and died in 1883. In his early manhood he removed to Whitehall township, where he purchased a farm near Egypt. His land remained in the hands of his estate for twenty years after his death, when it was sold to the Allentown Portland Cement Co.

In the latter years of his life he lived retired. He was an ardent Democrat in politics, and was elected a county commissioner in 1855, and later served a term as poor director of the county. He was a member of the building committee that erected the present Egypt church in 1850-51.

He married Hannah Keck, of Salisbury township. To them were born the following children: Edmond Erdman; Maria, wife of Abraham Mickley; Eliza, wife of Martin Seipel; Alavesta, wife of Edward Koehler; Catharine, wife of William Lerch; Amanda, wife of Clinton Breinig; Lewis B. Erdman; Ella, wife of Amandes App; Oliver F. Erdman; and Dr. J. D. Erdman, whose sketch follows.

With the exception of Edmond Erdman, Alavesta Koehler, and Ella App, the others survive at this time. It is a remarkable fact that when the first ten children of John Erdman died, they had all passed the age of three score years.

Lewis B. Erdman, of Allentown, Pa., was born in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, on Feb. 10, 1841. He attended the public schools of his native township, also Freeland Seminary. After leaving the seminary he became a clerk in a general store at Coplay, and later at Ruchsville. At the latter place he formed a partnership with his brother, Edmond Erdman, under the firm name of E. and L. B. Erdman. In 1884 he came to Allentown, and was engaged in different pursuits until the year 1895, when he

erected the store building at the corner of Seventh and Washington streets, and engaged in the grocery business for nine years.

In 1908 he was appointed city assessor, filling the unexpired term of C. D. Schall, who had resigned. In 1909 he was elected to the same office for three years.

He is a member of Zion's Reformed church of Allentown, and served as an elder of the same for eight years.

He was married in 1872 to Alice M. Schadt, daughter of Owen Schadt, deceased. They are the parents of Ira T. Erdman, Esq., of Allentown, Rev. Lee M. Erdman, of Reading, Rhea A. Erdman, and of a son, Guy, who died in infancy.

Ira T. Erdman, son of Lewis B. and Alice M. Erdman, was born at Ruchsville, Lehigh county, Pa. The parents removed to Allentown, where he attended the public schools, graduating from the high school in 1890. He entered Muhlenberg College and graduated with the class of 1894. He represented Muhlenberg at the first inter-collegiate oratorical contest held in the city of Allentown, in 1893.

He taught school in Salisbury township and in South Allentown for a number of years, being principal of the latter schools for two years, while engaged in teaching and during vacation time he studied law; his preceptor being the Hon. Milton C. Henninger. He was admitted to the Lehigh county bar in 1899. Was elected prothonotary of Lehigh county in 1902, and since the expiration of his term of office has been engaged in the practice of law in the city of Allentown.

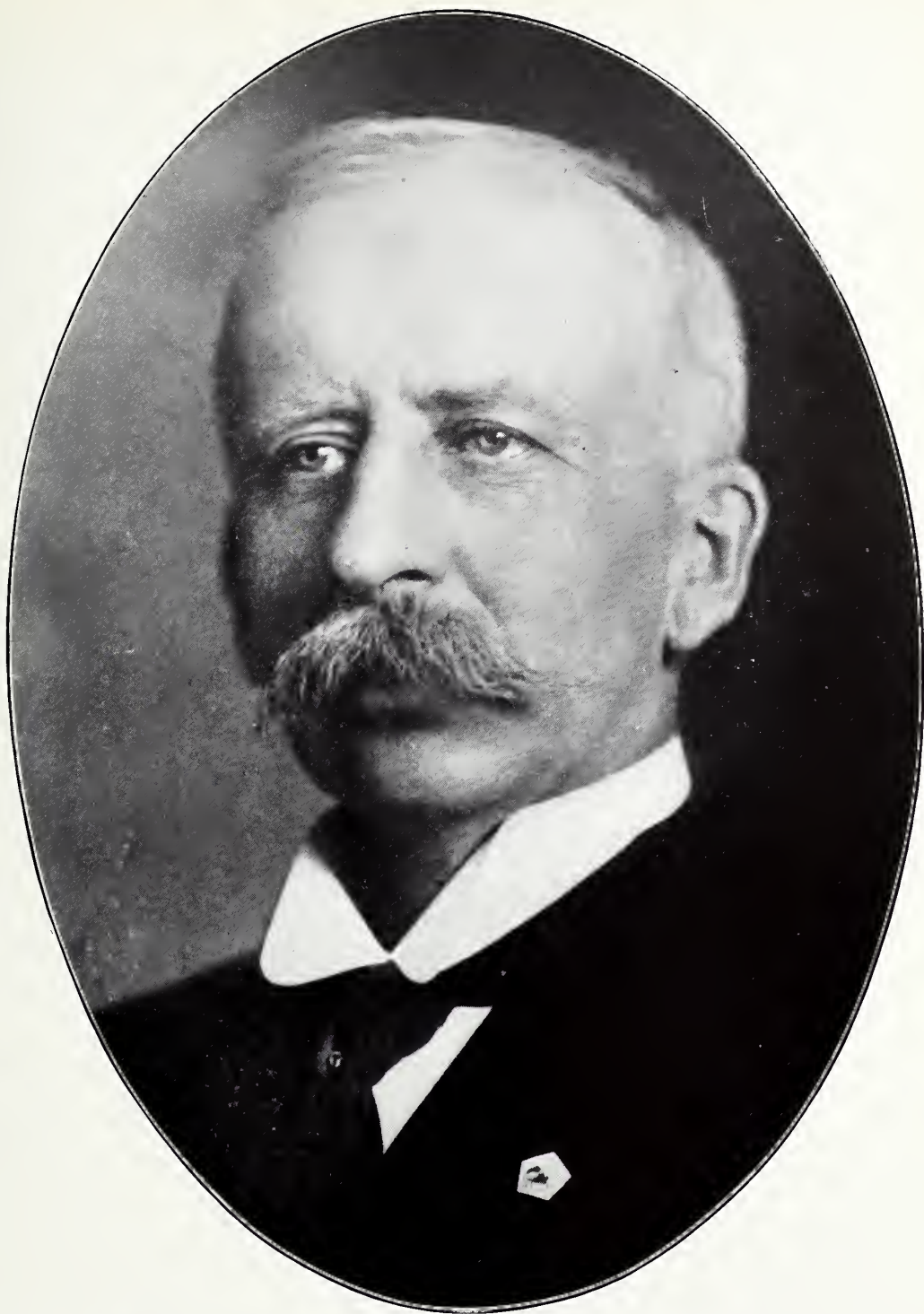
Rev. Lee M. Erdman, son of Lewis B. Erdman, was born in 1883. He attended the public schools of the city of Allentown, graduating from the high school in 1900. He entered Muhlenberg College, and afterwards Franklin and Marshall College, graduating from the latter institution in 1904. He studied theology at the Reformed Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., and was ordained as a minister of that faith in 1907. After leaving the seminary, he accepted a call from St. Thomas Reformed church, of Reading, Pa., and has been its pastor up to the present time.

Rev. Mr. Erdman was married in October, 1912, to Miss Ella Nolde, daughter of Jacob Nolde, of Reading, Pa.

#### J. DALLAS ERDMAN, M.D.

Dr. J. Dallas Erdman, physician, of Allentown, was born at Ruchsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, June 2, 1850. His preliminary education was obtained in the public schools of





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his native place, Muhlenberg College, and later took the medical course at the University of Pennsylvania, from which institution he graduated in the class of 1872. He then located at Siegersville, where he practiced his profession for one year, removed from there to Macungie, where he remained until 1888, achieving success, and then took up his residence in Allentown, settling first at No. 27 South Eighth street, where he remained for sixteen years, and then removed to his present address, Seventh and Green streets. Dr. Erdman has made a specialty of chronic diseases, and in his treatment of same has been eminently successful, gaining for himself a reputation for skill and ability along the line of his chosen work, and his patronage is both extensive and distinctive. He has always taken an active interest in public school affairs, and was president of the school board at Macungie for ten years, and after his removal to Allentown, served as member of the city school board for seven years, one year of which time he was president of the board, and in the fall of 1913 was re-elected as a member of the new board of education. He served as attending physician for nine years of the county hospital.

During the late seventies he was president of the Lehigh County Medical Society; and he held membership in the State Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. During the centennial year he was instrumental in establishing the Lehigh Telephone Company; served as its first treasurer for five years, and later was president of the company for three years. This company was later absorbed by the Postal Telegraph Company.

Dr. Erdman is a member of the Salem Reformed church. He also holds membership in Trexlertown Lodge, No. 326, Free and Accepted Masons; Continental Castle, No. 61, Knights of the Golden Eagle, of Macungie; Allentown Lodge, No. 90, Knights of Pythias; Alton Castle No. 149, Ancient Order Knights of the Mystic Chain, of Allentown, in which organization he is a past state and past supreme officer, and is holding the office of General Commanding of the Military Rank of the Supreme Jurisdiction, also a member of the Degree of Naomi of the Mystic Chain; he is the Supreme Recorder of the Fraternal Order of Tigers of the World, of which organization he was one of the founders and wrote the ritual.

Dr. Erdman married, January 27, 1874, Maria J. Kohler, who died on Aug. 13, 1907, daughter of Dr. William and Catharine (Laury) Kohler, of Egypt. Children: 1. Elsie, married Frederick C. Badrow, of Westfield, New Jersey. 2. H. Guy, employed by the Standard Oil Com-

pany, married Blanche B. Riedy. 3. Niles K., died in childhood. 4. Miriam O., married Lloyd B. Leeds, a leading commercial photographer, of Allentown, Pa.

Dr. Albert Joseph Erdman, son of John and Ann M. (Roth) Erdman, was born in Upper Saucon, near Limeport, Pa., March 9, 1852. The grandfather of John was also named John, who was a descendant of Johannes Erdman, who came to America from Pfungstadt, in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany, in 1737, settling in Center valley, Pa., in 1750. John, the father of Dr. Erdman, died in 1869, in Saucon township, Pa.

Dr. Erdman was reared on his father's farm, and attended the public schools, the Allentown Academy, and also private schools.

In 1870 he studied medicine at Catasauqua, Pa., with Dr. Riegel, then entered the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, and after graduating, located in Catasauqua for a year, then removed to Saegersville, where he practiced twenty-two years, then removed to Allentown, Pa., in 1895. He became widely known in public life. Was for seven years examiner for the U. S. pension bond; thirteen years physician of the Lehigh county almshouse and hospital; many years a school director; a valued member of the Lutheran church and in politics a Democrat.

Dr. Albert J. Erdman married, Dec. 24, 1874, Amanda E., daughter of George W. Bogh, of Catasauqua, Pa. Their daughter, Edna Grace, married Rev. Allen Benner, of Richmond Hill, N. Y. He died March 1, 1911, at his home in Allentown.

Aaron Erdman, son of Jacob and Catharine (Romig) Erdman, was born Nov. 8, 1813, in Upper Saucon, Pa. He attended the public schools, devoting his youth to farm labor. He then entered mercantile life, opening a general store at Upper Saucon, removing in 1838 to Macungie where he purchased a place, and did an extensive business.

In 1876 he transferred his store to his son and son-in-law, the firm being A. Erdman, Son & Co. Aaron then engaged in an exclusive hardware trade. He served his borough as a councilman, and stood high in the community.

He married (first) Feb. 23, 1837 Miss Anna Breinig, and she was the mother of two sons: William B. (1), a physician of Macungie, and Augus (2) J., an attorney. She died Feb. 4, 1844, when he married (second) March 26, 1846, Miss Mary Weider, and their children were:

Sarah (3) (Mrs. A. K. Desh), Mary (4) Neumoyer) and John (6), who was connected (Mrs. T. M. Probst), Emma (5) (Mrs. H. F. with his father in business. Aaron died Jan. 21, 1895.

Elias Erdman was a farmer by occupation. He had lived in Allentown for several years in his early life, then removed to Upper Saucon township, and finally into Bucks county, Pa. He had a son, Jacob M. Erdman, who now owns and cultivates a 23-acre tract of land situated in Upper Saucon township. He is married to Alice Walbert, a daughter of Henry Walbert. They have two children, namely: 1. Frank J., whose history follows. 2. John, who is a public school teacher at Lenark, Pa.

FRANK J. ERDMAN, who conducts a merchant and custom mill located on Auburn street and the P. & R. R. R., was born in Upper Saucon township, Dec. 12, 1876. He was reared upon the farm and when a boy attended the township public schools. He drove a milk-wagon for one year for J. C. Gerhardt. In 1897 he entered the employ of the East Penn Milling Company, and continued in their service as a miller until the spring of 1906. He then accepted a position on the P. & R. R. R. as fireman, which company he served for two years. In January, 1908, he became the successor of the East Penn Milling Company at Auburn street and the P. & R. R. R. and since that time he has conducted that mill in a successful manner.

On Nov. 14, 1896, he was married to Ida Gehman, a daughter of William H. and Mary (Reichard) Gehman. They have an only daughter: Clara Erdman, now a student at school.

ELMER E. ERDMAN, undertaker at Catasauqua, was born Feb. 24, 1874, at Hatfield, in Montgomery county. He was obliged to quit school when nine years old and after working on a farm four years, he secured work in a cigar factory at Quakertown and continued there five years, and afterward he was employed as a cigarmaker in the factory of his brother-in-law, John Sack, until 1902. Having then become inclined to follow the undertaking business, he took a special course in the study of anatomy, and after assisting Charles Snyder, undertaker, for several months, he purchased the business from him in 1902 and has since carried it on in a most successful manner at No. 143 Front street, Catasauqua. During this time he conducted 1,122 funerals. He has affiliated himself with the Modern Woodmen, P. O. S. of A., Odd Fellows, and Phoenix Fire Company.

Mr. Erdman was married to Ida Grace Eberhard, daughter of Wm. and Caroline (Hunsicker) Eberhard, of Catasauqua, and they have five children: William; Grace; Marie; Helen; and Ellsworth, who died in infancy in 1905.

William Erdman, his father, was born at Reading, in 1849, and there followed tinsmithing

and cigarmaking until his decease in 1912. His remains were interred at Zion's Hill, in Bucks county. He was married to Mary Fennimore, a daughter of Charles and Hannah (Stoneback) Fennimore, and they had four children: Jennie, m. John Sack; Elmer E.; Charles, who died at the age of 24 years; and Elizabeth, m. Oscar Bachman, at Philadelphia. His widow resides with Mrs. Sack, at Catasauqua.

Reuben Erdman, his grandfather, was a farmer in Bucks county, who resided at Zion's Hill.

#### GEORGE F. ERICH.

George Franklin Erich, a successful business man, is a native citizen of Allentown. He was born Sept. 28, 1878, and is a son of Henry K. and Elenora (Kuder) Erich, a native of Salisbury township, Lehigh county.

After the completion of his education, George F. Erich engaged in the coal business, succeeding his father in 1902. The coal yards were located at Twentieth and Fairview streets. These he sold several years later and established himself in the lime business which he carried on in a successful manner until he organized the George F. Erich & Company, wholesale and retail dealers in building supplies, coal, wood, cement, lime, sand, etc.

On March 13, 1913, he incorporated the G. F. Erich Company, with a capital of \$25,000. The officers of the company are: George F. Erich, president; L. H. Rupp, vice-president; and A. G. Newhard, secretary and treasurer. The extensive business of this company is located at 513-539 St. Cloud street, Allentown, where the company erected a two-story warehouse, 54x110 feet, which is notable for its convenient arrangements. The warehouse proper is separated from the office by a driveway, where trucks and teams are loaded.

Mr. Erich is also a member of the firm of V. S. Kemmerer & Company, builders and real estate operators. He is a progressive and successful business man; is a director of the Penn County Trust Company; a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; St. James' Commandery, Knights of Malta; Allentown Lodge of Elks, and chairman of the house committee; and a member of Zion Reformed church.

George Franklin Erich married, Oct. 21, 1902, May A. Newhard, daughter of M. K. Amelia (Seibert) Newhard. They have one child, Lillie V. Erich.

Charles Erich, his grandfather, was educated in the common schools of the day and upon becoming of age, became a carpenter and later a stone mason and yet later a contractor in the curbing and flagging line.





Geo. F. Erich.





Charles Erich married Isabella Kemmerer. Issue: William H., a soldier in the Civil War, died in Andersonville prison; Charles F., born Feb. 12, 1847, resides in Philadelphia; Henrietta C., deceased, married Charles Giltner; Mary M., deceased, married William A. Smith; Henry K.; Sarah A., died young; John and Catharine A., died young; Martin L., born March 7, 1860, at Cedarville; Alfred Jacob; and Wilson W., born April 11, 1865, died June 14, 1912.

Henry K. Erich, son of Charles and Isabella (Kemmerer) Erich, was born Oct. 26, 1852, in Salisbury township. He was educated in the public schools and was first employed by his father as his assistant. Later he was employed in the Allentown Woolen Mill, after which he established himself in a general store business. Discontinuing this he took up the stone flagging and curbing business in which he did much city work. He next established a coal business, in 1891, near Cedarville, but resided in Allentown. He conducted this until his decease on Aug. 23, 1910. He was buried in the Union cemetery.

Henry K. Erich married, May 28, 1872, Elenora Kuder, daughter of John T. and Maria (Gackenbach) Kuder, of Trexlertown. His widow resides in Allentown. They had six children: Charles Tilghman, born Aug. 6, 1874, married Minnie Huntzberger; William H., died in infancy; George F.; Annie M., at home; Edna E., married Warren Bower, and has one child, Elenora Bower; Ralph, died in infancy.

John T. Kuder, born 1831, died 1870, m. (first) in 1854, Maria Gackenbach, born 1835, died 1861, and had three children: Elenora, m. Henry K. Erich; Victor, of Chicago, m. Anna Schrader; and Isadore, m. Aravesta Simon. He married (second) Caroline Becker, and had children: Millard, Gretta, and Susan Kuder.

#### CHARLES E. ERNEY.

Charles Ervin Erney was born Dec. 29, 1879, in Mountainville, Salisbury township. He was reared on the homestead, and educated in the public schools of the district. He was employed by his father in the sand, stone and lumber business, and later as partner, under the firm name of D. S. Erney & Son. On the death of his father he acquired the business, which he now conducts. Mr. Erney has met with success, and is one of the leading business men of Salisbury township. He is a member of Fairview Fire Company; Mountainville Fire Company; Order of Owls, No. 72, of Allentown; Improved Order of Red Men and Haymakers. Mr. Erney and family are members of the Mountainville Lutheran church, where he served as secretary of the Sunday school. In politics he is a Democrat.

He was married, Nov. 8, 1901, to Amanda L. George, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Smith) George, of Mountainville. They have the following children: Ruth Catharine; Emetin B., deceased; Dena K.; and Charles E., Jr.

David S. Erney, father of Charles E., was born in Lower Milford township, May 5, 1843, and died in Salisbury township, June 7, 1909, aged 62 years. Mr. Erney taught school, later entering the sand, stone and lumber business. He married Catherine Reinhard, born Oct. 30, 1849, in Lower Milford township, daughter of Abraham and Elizabeth (Mace) Reinhard. They had the following children: Agnes, m. Frank Wagner, a merchant of Upper Saucon; Harvey, m. Sallie Ritter; Annie, m. Allen Trump; Louis, m. Ida Person; Alice, m. William Rinker; Thomas, m. Cecelia Eisenhard; Oliver, at home; Sallie, deceased, m. Clinton Jacoby; Charles E., of whom above; Gertrude, m. John Birch; Edwin, m. Cora Reiss; Warren, m. Blanch Polite; Charlotta, m. Henry Krauss, son of Oscar Krauss, of Allentown, who has one child, Gerald; and Helen, at home.

David Erney, father of David S., was a native of Lower Milford township. He married Elizabeth Shaffer, and both are buried at the Blue church. Their children were: Irwin, of Indianapolis, Ind.; John, m. Sarah Rothenberg, and is now a farmer at Limeport; Thomas, deceased, m. Amanda Shaffer; David S.; Levi, a truck farmer at Camden, N. J.; and Albert, a druggist at Philadelphia.

#### ERWIN FAMILY.

Henry Erwin, the ancestor, was a prominent paint manufacturer at South Bethlehem. He was born in County Derry, Ireland, in 1842, son of John Erwin, also a native of the Emerald Isle, and of Scotch descent. The latter was a laborer in Ireland, and in 1843 he emigrated to the United States, locating at Summit Hill, Carbon county, Pa. There he was employed in the coal mines until he purchased a farm near Lehigh, which he cultivated until his death, aged 62 years.

His wife, Nancy, was a daughter of William and Margaret (Davis) Dougherty, also natives of Ireland. She preceded her husband in death, leaving seven children.

During the Civil War Henry Erwin had enlisted in the 28th Penna. Inf'ty, but the railroad conductor would not honor the pass given to Erwin by Col. Burnham, and having no money, he was obliged to return home. His parents then pleaded so earnestly with him that he remained at home and made no further effort to join the army. His brother, Thomas, was a member of the 12th Penna. Inf'ty, and was wounded at

the battle of Antietam, from the effects of which he never recovered. John, next to the youngest son, served in the 4th Penna. Cavalry, and after his return was killed in the coal mines. Matthew Erwin obtained the homestead farm in Carbon county; William, deceased, lived in California; Annie, in Europe, and Mary lives in the west.

Henry Erwin at the age of 18 years learned the blacksmith trade at Mauch Chunk, and later came to Janesville and became a machinist and boiler maker in the Janesville Locomotive Shops. There he remained until 1864, when he accepted a position with a coal company, and had charge of the mining machinery at Yorktown.

In 1866 he located at Lehighton and opened up a blacksmith shop; and the following year, 1867, he located at Bethlehem where he engaged in mining ore, leasing ground near Bath. He changed his place of business from time to time and about this time he became the proprietor of a metallic paint and iron ore mine near the Lehigh Gap, in Carbon county. He manufactured about thirty shades of paint, and for this purpose used about fifteen kinds of minerals, some of which he imported. He also operated mines in the other parts of this state, New Jersey, and Virginia.

He was president of the Bermuda Ochre Company, which corporation had a capital of \$32,000. The company owned 900 acres of land. In about 1903 he retired from active business and died on Feb. 12, 1912.

Mr. Erwin was married to Jennie Gormley, of the Nescohonong Valley, Pa. She continues to reside in the family residence in West Bethlehem. Their children are: Jennie (m. George H. Waltman); Harry; John, a dentist of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Joseph, dentist of Bethlehem; and Margaret (m. Judson Small, of Brooklyn, N. Y.)

WILLIAM H. ERWIN, son of Henry, is a manufacturer of dry mineral colors of Bethlehem. He was born in the year 1866. Early in life he learned the manufacturing of paints from his father, whom he assisted until 1903, when he and his brother, Harry, succeeded the firm of Henry Erwin and Sons.

In June, 1912, his brother Harry retired from active business, but the firm name continues the same. The manufacturing plant is located on a five-acre tract and about twenty people are employed. The paints are shipped all over the country, but the principal market is in New York and Chicago. The firm makes a specialty of red and ochre paints. They also deal largely in imported umbers and siennias. The annual output is 25,000 barrels.

Mr. Erwin and family are members of the Methodist church. He was married in 1897 to

Olivia S. Stem, a daughter of William and Eliza (Kemmerer) Stem, who was a former treasurer of Northampton county. They have the following children: George, Eliza, Margaret, Henry who died in infancy and William.

HARRY ERWIN, of Bethlehem (West Side) was born Nov. 23, 1873. He was educated in the public schools and from the age of eighteen years until in June, 1912, he was employed in the Erwin paint establishment. He had been a member of the firm of Henry Erwin & Sons, and after his withdrawal in 1912, he became associated with D. A. Wilhelm & Company, paint manufacturers at Reading, Pa. Socially he is affiliated with the Royal Arcanum.

In 1905 he married Anna Kindt, a daughter of Stephen Kindt. Two children were born unto them, namely: Henry and Lucy J. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin reside at 1103 Broad Street. They are members of the Reformed church.

#### ESCHBACH FAMILY.

In 1737, one Peter Eschbach and his son, Christophel, came to this country on the ship St. Andrew. In 1752 Christophel was assessed as a single man in Hereford township, Berks county. Christian is buried in the Mennonite graveyard, at Balley. He was born in July, 1717, and died April 27th, 1789, aged 71 years and 11 months. His children were: John, Christian, Heinrich, Abraham, Peter, Martin and Elizabeth.

John Eschbach was born October 24th, 1764, and died Feb. 28th, 1826. He married Elizabeth Latchesaw, who was born May, 1765, and died September, 1844. Their children were: Abraham, Peter, Christian, Henry and John. Barbara married John Bliem and Catharine married Jacob Fox.

Christian Eschbach, Jr., was born June 3rd, 1766, in what is now Washington township, Berks county and died October 31st, 1838. He was a carpenter, cabinetmaker and undertaker, and lived at Barto, Pa. He married Froene Moyer, born July 30th, 1737, and died September 13th, 1838. They were Mennonites, and are buried at Bally. Their children were William, Henry, Jesse, Nancy, wife of Jacob Yoder, and Betsy who died single.

Henry Heinrich Eschbach was born January 4th 1771, and died March 11th, 1841. He and his wife, Maria Anna Moyer, had one son, Elijah and several daughters.

Peter Eschbach, son of Christian, had sons, Christian, Isaac, William, John and a daughter, Susan.

Martin Eschbach son of Christian, had one daughter, Jane, wife of Daniel Dobb.

Elizabeth Eschbach, daughter of Christian,







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died April 24th, 1792, aged 19 years and seven days.

Abraham Eschbach, son of Christian, was a farmer in the upper part of Montgomery county. He lived, at the time of his death, where Yerker's clover mill is located. It is stated that he was born in the vicinity of Hoffmans, a place in the upper part of Montgomery county. He was a member of the Mennonite church.

Abraham Eschbach was married twice, first to Mary Bechtel, by whom he had four sons, viz: Abraham, Jr., David, Joseph and John. By his second wife Agnes Wallace, who hailed from Montgomery county, he had Hugh W., Robert, James, William and Mary who was married to a Mr. Sterner.

Hugh W. Eschbach, son of Abraham, was born in Lancaster Co., Pa., January 27th, 1817. He was a live stock dealer and a member of the German Lutheran Church. On December 7th, 1867, he married Ellen A. Kramer, daughter of Charles and Julian (Miller) Kramer, of Allentown. He died at Allentown, Pa., April 10, 1899, at the age of 82 years, and is buried on Fairview cemetery. Mrs. Eschbach was born and died March 4th 189—, aged 52 years. Mr. Eschbach is buried on Fairview cemetery and his wife on the old Linden Street cemetery. They had two sons: Robert W. and Dr. William W.

William W. Eschbach, a physician and surgeon, of Allentown, was born at Bethlehem, —, 1871 and was educated in the public schools of his native city also Schwartz's Academy, at Bethlehem, and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. He was a graduate from the latter institute and also the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia in the year 1892. He then located at No. 334 Lehigh street, Allentown, where he has since been located. He has built up a large practice and also conducts a modern drug store at No. 336 Lehigh street. In politics Dr. Eschbach is a Democrat. He is one of the efficient health officers of the city since 1906, has served as a member of common council for two terms, and for three terms was a member of the old board of control of the Allentown school board.

Dr. W. W. Eschbach is prominently identified with the Masonic Fraternity, the Odd Fellows, the different medical societies and the Lutheran Church. He is a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, Allen Chapter, No. 203, Allen Commandery, No. 20, I. O. O. F., K. T. Rajah Temple A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Lehigh Lodge, No. 336, the county, state and national medical societies and served as vice-president of the Lehigh County Medical Society in 1905 and as president in 1909.

On August 27th, 1895, he was married to Anna J. Krum, a daughter of Wilson and Rosa (Hoffman) Krum, of Allentown. Their children follow: Ethel, Verna, and Hugh W., who died in infancy.

#### GLANCY J. ESTERLY.

Glancy Jones Esterly, of Salisbury township, was born Jan. 17, 1859, in Exeter township, Berks county, the son of Henry A. Esterly and his wife Emma.

His father attended the public schools, then engaged in the butchering business for a period of 26 years. He later tilled a 104-acre farm and in the winter dealt in horses. He is now an extensive horse dealer in Exeter township. He married Emma Quinter, daughter of Samuel and Emma (Leaser) Quinter, who died, aged 64 years. They had five children: Glancy J.; Jacob, of Reading, who married Ida Wayne; Howard E., a carpenter, of Reading; Lena, who married Charles Hinkle; and Katie, who married Wm. Hurd, of Birdsboro. The father of Henry Esterly was George, a native of Germany, who settled near Reading and became a farmer. He married Sarah Rodenbush, of near Leesport.

Glancy J. Esterly spent his boyhood days in Birdsboro, where he attended the public schools. He was first employed on a farm and as a butcher, until 1882, when he moved to Exeter. He lived later at Alburtis for nine years, where he was employed as a stone mason with A. N. Denkle. He then engaged in farming for twelve years, at Red Lion, Hensingersville, Zionsville, and Upper Macungie. In the spring of 1913 he moved to his present farm of 260 acres, owned by Mrs. Emma Fuller, located along the Little Lehigh, in Salisbury township.

He is a member of the Longswamp Reformed church. In politics he is a Democrat. He married, April 7, 1882, Matala, daughter of Wm. Denkle, of Alburtis. They have nine children: Harry, who married Emma Dunston; William, who married Mollie Brown, of Robeson; Paul; Effie; Charles; Annie, wife of Percival Brown, of Robeson; Bryan; Clarence; and Lillian B.

#### ETTINGER FAMILY.

For fully one hundred and fifty years the Ettinger family has been well known in the business, the musical, and the educational life of Lehigh county. In a list of early settlers of Weisenberg township, as given in Hungerford's "History of Lehigh and Carbon Counties," appears the name of Gottlieb Ettinger, latter, who died about 1794, leaving a widow and six children, the oldest of whom was Jacob.

Later we find Jacob Ettinger a prosperous farmer, and also manufacturer of silk and woolen hats, who gave employment to a number of men and taught others the same trade, residing on his hundred-acre homestead in Kistler Valley, now the property of Mrs. Jonathan Wenner. A stone dwelling built by him on this farm is still standing. He was born Sept. 29, 1782, and died Jan. 31, 1829, in his forty-sixth year. He lies buried at the New Jerusalem church, of the Lutheran portion of which he was a member, and for a number of years an efficient officer. He married Philippina Schmidt, a daughter of George Schmidt, who lived in the vicinity of Rothrocksville. She was born June 17, 1781, died Nov. 22, 1864, at the ripe age of eighty-three years, five months and five days, and is buried at Lynnville.

The children of this union of Jacob Ettinger with Philippina Schmidt were:

Catharine, who married John Kistler and lived near Lenhartsville, Pa.

Polly, who married George Miller, lived in Bachman's Valley, Lynn township, and became the grandmother of Frank D. Bittner, and Dr. Albert J. Bittner, of Allentown, and Dr. William A. Seibert, of Easton.

David, who moved to Wadsworth, Ohio, married Elizabeth Brobst, a sister of Daniel Brobst, with whom he had two children: Charles D., and Maria. Charles D. Ettinger, of Chicago, is the secretary of the Murphy Varnish Company, of which Hon. Franklin Murphy, ex-governor of New Jersey, is the president. The second wife of David Ettinger was Rachel German, who had no children.

Jonas moved to Upper Mt. Bethel township, Northampton county, Pa. Among his children were: Amos, who had the homestead; Alfred, now deceased; and Jacob.

Jesse also moved to Upper Mt. Bethel township. His children were David, Amos, Catharine, Eliza, Sarah, Emma, and Mary.

Amos married Susan Laudenschlager, a daughter of Henry and Lydia Hamman Laudenschlager; moved to Allentown and had four sons: William Jacob, born May 20, 1837, died Aug. 14, 1863, married Rebecca Ruhe, had one son, Amos, who died when a boy; Alfred Henry, born March 5, 1840, for many years musician and organist in the First Presbyterian church and St. John's Reformed church, of Allentown, still living in Allentown; Richard Carlos, born July 30, 1850, died Sept. 28, 1896, married Annie Holben and had no children; and George Taylor, born Nov. 8, 1860, married Emma C., daughter of Gustav A. Aschbach and his wife, Emelie Mayer, with whom he has one son, Amos Aschbach Ettinger, born May 24, 1901.

Lydia married Reuben Hunsicker, who lived in Heidelberg township, and became the grandmother of the late Harvey L. Keiper, a leading druggist of Allentown.

Jacob married Julia Ann Ebert, in 1845, and was the father of the following children: Sarah married Daniel Snyder and lives at Lynnville; Eliza married Charles Kistler and lives at New Tripoli; Amelia married David Case and lives in Kansas City, Mo.; Agnes is unmarried and lives at home; Reuben now lives in Elkhorn, Nebraska. William some years ago lost his life at Diehl's furniture warehouse. His widow now lives in Allentown and his son Charles W. Ettinger is a well known reporter on the staff of the Allentown *Morning Call*. Clinton J. still lives in the old home.

#### CLINTON J. ETTINGER.

Jacob Ettinger was born in Kistler's Valley, Aug. 9, 1812. Like his father, Jacob Ettinger, Sr., he also was a hatmaker and a farmer. After having been a hatmaker for about ten years, he spent the greater part of his life on the farm now owned by Henry Bachman and still later, before the Civil War began, he moved to the farm in Bachman's Dale, where his descendants still reside. He served as school director of his district, and at various times was an elder and a deacon in St. Peter's Lutheran church of Lynnville. In politics he was a Democrat. In 1845 he married Julia Ann Ebert, who was born May 7, 1825, and lived to a ripe old age. This union was blessed with seven children. Jacob Ettinger died on his farm in Bachman's Dale, Oct. 15, 1894, at the advanced age of ninety-two years, two months and six days.

Of the seven children of Jacob and Julia Ann Ebert Ettinger, Clinton J. Ettinger was the youngest. He was born in 1869 on the farm where the family has lived so many years, educated in the schools of his native district, and still tills the soil of his ancestors. He has also followed the political traditions of his forebears and has served as Democratic committeeman of his district. He has also held the office of auditor of his township. In his denominational affiliations Mr. Ettinger is a Lutheran, and in his whole life he has maintained the fine family traditions that have ever stood for industry, integrity and uprightness in the individual and the community.

#### PROF. GEORGE TAYLOR ETTINGER, PH.D.

The founder of the Allentown branch of the Ettinger family was Major Amos Ettinger, the son of Jacob and Philippina Schmidt Ettinger, born in Lynn township, Lehigh county, March 23, 1817. When still quite a young man he





*George T. Ettinger.*





came to Allentown, where he learned the trade of a coppersmith in the establishment of Solomon Gildner, and later he began the same business for himself at the southeast corner of Hamilton and Eighth streets. Still later he enlarged the scope of his business by buying out his brother-in-law, Nathan Laudenschlager, who was engaged in the stove and tinware trade. For a long time his store was at 738 Hamilton street, until the growth of his business necessitated the purchase of the property at 732 Hamilton street, where he erected one of the largest and most commodious buildings in the city. At that time his store-room was the largest in Allentown. Through the affability and the strict attention to business on the part of its proprietor, the establishment prospered, and for many years the phrase, "Ettinger's Stove Store," was almost a household expression in Lehigh county.

Tall and dignified in appearance, Amos Ettinger was one of the most genial of men, with an unbounded fund of wit and humor. Almost endless are the witticisms and the practical jokes ascribed to him. In this respect he was a sort of Abraham Lincoln of Lehigh county. He was an excellent musician and for many years the leader of the Allentown band, the first organization of the kind started in Allentown, of which "Henry's History of the Lehigh Valley," published in 1860, says: "Although the greater part of the time is devoted by the citizens of Allentown to their various business pursuits and callings, they still find time for recreation and amusement. The Allentown Band, of which Amos Ettinger is leader, is considered one of the best in the state, and is composed entirely of the business-men of the place." There is still in the possession of the family an excellent oil portrait of the genial face of Amos Ettinger, presented to him by the members of this musical organization. He was especially prominent also in the military life of his time, and held many important positions in connection with the militia of the state. He was captain of a model volunteer company called "The Lehigh Fencibles," and for many years was brigade inspector of "the Second Brigade, Seventh Division, composed of the uniformed militia of the counties of Northampton, Lehigh and Pike." During his lifetime his fellow-citizens honored him with various positions of trust and responsibility, and at the time of his death he was president of the town council.

On Christmas Day, 1836, he married Susan, a daughter of Henry and Lydia Hamman Laudenschlager, who was born at Macungie (then known as Millerstown), Lehigh county, on Dec. 22, 1818, and died in Allentown, March 12, 1913, having survived her husband more than

forty-seven years. The Laudenschlager family moved to Allentown, and for many years the father was a carpet weaver, living in a large stone house on Union street, near Seventh. To Amos and Susan Ettinger were born four sons: William Jacob, who had been in partnership with his father in the stove and tinware business, and died in 1863; Alfred Henry, who is still living; Richard Carlos, who also later had been in the stove business and still later in the service of the postal department in Allentown, and died in 1896; and George Taylor Ettinger, now dean of Muhlenberg College, Allentown. Amos Ettinger died Feb. 1, 1866, in the forty-ninth year of his age. In speaking of his death the *Lehigh County Patriot* of Feb. 8, 1866, said: "Through his affable, sociable demeanor the deceased won for himself the affection of all that came into contact with him. He was one of the best loved, most highly esteemed and most benevolent citizens of this town." The Allentown *Friedensbote* of Feb. 7, 1866, summed up his life and character as follows: "He was an honorable, upright citizen, and a host of friends sincerely mourn his early demise. He was a true friend and a good neighbor, and the Spirit saith, 'he resteth from his labors and his works do follow him.'"

George Taylor Ettinger, the youngest son of Amos and Susan Ettinger, was born in Allentown, Pa., Nov. 8, 1860. He received his elementary training in the excellent private school of Miss S. V. Magruder from 1869 to 1873, and in the fall of 1873 he entered the preparatory department of Muhlenberg College, with which institution he has since that time, been in continuous connection as student and teacher. As a student he has the remarkable record of not having missed a single recitation in seven years. After three years of preparatory work he entered the Freshman class of Muhlenberg College in September, 1876. In 1879 he received the oratorical prize of twenty-five dollars for the best oration as to matter and manner delivered by a member of the junior class, the subject of his oration being "The Folly of Warfare." He was graduated with first honor and the valedictory June 24, 1880. During his college course he was a member of the Euterpean Literary Society and the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity. Immediately upon graduation in 1880 he began to teach in the preparatory department of Muhlenberg College as assistant to Rev. A. R. Horne, D.D., from 1880 to 1882, and to Rev. John Kohler, D.D., from 1882 to 1884. From 1884 to 1892 he was principal of the preparatory department in connection with Prof. E. S. Dieter, now of the Allentown high school. During these years the enrollment increased from thirteen to seventy-five stu-

dents. Upon the occasion of the quarter-centennial celebration of Muhlenberg College in 1892, he was elected Professor of Pedagogy and Associate Professor of Latin. Several years later the title of the chair (which he has filled ever since) was changed to its present form of the Latin language and literature and pedagogy. In 1888 he enrolled in the graduate department of New York University, which three years later conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) for work done in pedagogy under Dr. Jerome Allen and Dr. Edgar D. Shimer, and in German under Dr. A. S. Isaacs. Upon the death of Professor Davis Garber, Ph.D., Dr. Ettinger became librarian of his alma mater, and upon the death of Professor Matthias H. Richards, D.D., he was chosen secretary of the faculty. For many years he was alumni editor of *The Muhlenberg*, a member of the editorial committee of the *Muhlenberg College Bulletin*; corresponding secretary and treasurer of the alumni association and a member of its Board of Managers. He is now president of the alumni association. In 1904 the Board of Trustees elected him dean of the faculty.

For nearly fifteen years Dr. Ettinger was a director of the public schools of Allentown, during which period he was repeatedly elected president of the Board of Control, later served as secretary of the same body, and was chosen president of the Lehigh County Directors' Association. For nine years he was connected with the Pennsylvania Chautauqua at Mt. Gretna, serving in various positions as instructor in Latin and Greek, dean of the faculty and member of the Board of Managers. He has published "Pedagogy, the Fourth Profession," an address delivered before the Lehigh County Teachers' Institute, and "The Relations and Duties of Colleges to Their Preparatory Schools," a paper read before the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland, at Cornell University. In 1904-5, he was associated, as supervising editor, with John W. Jordan, LL.D., librarian of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Edgar M. Green, of Easton, Pa., in the publication of an extensive "Genealogical History of the Lehigh Valley, Pennsylvania," in two handsomely illustrated volumes brought out by the Lewis Publishing Company of New York and Chicago. He is also a member of the advisory committee for Jordan's "Biographical Encyclopædia of Pennsylvania," now being published by the same house, and literary editor of the *Morning Call* of Allentown, with a daily circulation of over seventeen thousand copies.

When the daughters of the American Revolution dedicated the tablet commemorating the hid-

ing of the Liberty Bell in old Zion's Reformed church, Allentown, Hon. Robert E. Wright, who had promised to deliver the principal address, found that it would be impossible to keep his engagement. As a personal favor to the Regent of Liberty Bell Chapter, Dr. Ettinger consented to serve as a substitute and, with but three days for preparation, delivered what the local press was pleased to call "a masterpiece." On Sept. 1, 1904, he delivered the opening address at Muhlenberg College on "The American College and Its Problems," which was afterwards published by the Board of Trustees. His services as a speaker and lecturer are in frequent demand, his two most popular lectures being "Life's Lottery" and "An Evening With the Dictionary." Dr. Ettinger is a member of the American Philological Society, the National Geographic Society, the American Historical Association, the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Moravian Historical Society, the Philadelphia Society for the Promotion of Classical Studies, the Pennsylvania Society of New York, having served many years as chairman for Lehigh county, the National Institute of Social Science and honorary member of the Luther Burbank Society. He is secretary of the Pennsylvania-German Society, secretary of the Contemporary Club of Allentown, president of the Lehigh County Historical Society (since its organization), president of the Allentown Free Library, and a vice-president of the Allentown Chautauqua. For seventeen years he has been an officer of the Livingston Club, of Allentown, one of the largest and most representative social clubs of the Lehigh Valley. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Allentown, and of the John Hay Republican Club, an honorary member of the Rotary Club, of Allentown, a contributing member of the Lehigh Saengerbund, and the Allentown Oratorio Society, and a non-resident member of the Phi Gamma Delta Club, of New York City.

Although busily engaged as student and teacher, he still finds time to share in the larger life of the community and to discharge his duties as a citizen of the same. At various times he served as a delegate to city and county conventions of the Republican party, and he presided over the stormy sessions of the Lehigh county convention in the historical contest for political supremacy in the state of Pennsylvania waged between Governor Daniel H. Hastings and Senator Matthew Stanley Quay, with such tact and ability that special mention was made of it in the press of the state. In 1902, Judge Edwin Albright, although a Democrat, appointed Dr. Ettinger inspector of the Lehigh county prison, and his successor, Judge Frank M. Trexler, re-appointed him during his



entire term of office. Dr. Ettinger has been secretary of the prison board for a number of years.

Since his confirmation in 1877 he has been an active member of St. John's English Lutheran congregation of Allentown, and has served at various times as teacher and officer in the Sunday school, as president of the Young People's Society of the vestry. He has frequently been a delegate to conference, Synod, and the general council of the Lutheran Church of North America. On Aug. 17, 1899, he married Emma C., the only daughter of Gustav A. and Emilie F. Aschbach, and a sister of the late Gerhard C. Aschbach, the well known music dealer of Allentown. This union has been blessed with one son, Amos Aschbach Ettinger, born May 24, 1901, and named after his paternal grandfather.

As Dr. Ettinger was but five years old when his father died, he was raised by his mother, a woman of strong mental and moral character, to whose excellent Christian training he gladly ascribes whatever measure of usefulness and success he has attained in life. She lived to the uncommon age of ninety-four years, four months and twelve days, with a mind active and able to recall and describe scenes, incidents and persons of the days when Allentown was hardly more than a large village. In the words of one of his friends: "Dr. Ettinger possesses a sympathetic nature, combined with that true modesty which causes him to carry his learning as a man carries his watch—to be kept out of sight until some one wishes to know the time. No man has less of the pedant about him. The lark needs no trumpet to herald the fact that it is a sweet singer. His advice and criticism are often sought. The one is always marked with good sense, and the other by the utmost kindness, but at the same time combined with justness and fairness. He is keen in his observations and can find 'sermons in stones, books, in running brooks, and good in everything.'"

#### WILLIAM J. EVANS.

William J. Evans is a son of Thomas Jenkin Evans who was born Oct. 31, 1820, in Merthyr Tydwill Glam Morganshire, South Wales. He came to America in 1847, locating first in Columbia county, Pa. He was an iron worker, a roller by trade, and worked at Danville and in Philadelphia. Coming to Allentown in 1863, he lived there the greater part of his life. In 1865 he with his sons worked for the East Penn rolling mill at Ferndale, now Fullerton. He and family were members of the Presbyterian church. He died February 21, 1874, while on a visit to his son at Lancaster. He was one of the first rollers in the Lewis Mill at Allentown. Five of his sons followed the same occupation.

He was married to Margaret Jones, a native of Beconshire, South Wales. She died April 20, 1869. They were the parents of the following children: (1) David, who died Oct., 1911, at Holly Beach, N. J., a roller by trade; (2) William J.; (3) Thomas, of Salisbury; (4) Sarah Ann, wife of John Evans; (5) John; (6) Jenkins, of Lebanon, Pa.; (7) Margaret, wife of William Eynon, of Philadelphia, whose father David Eynon started the Catasauqua rolling mills; (8) Mary, wife of Irvin Bearer, of Philadelphia; John, married to Laurancy Wem, of Massillon, Ohio, now living at Reading, where he is employed by the American Iron and Steel Co.

William J. Evans, a retired iron worker of Catasauqua, was born in South Wales, December 13, 1845. Coming to America in 1862 he remained in Philadelphia one year and came to Allentown in 1863 and followed the rolling business, and in the Lehigh Valley until he retired from the Bryden Horse Shoe Co. in 1900. He is a Republican and has been actively identified in the party's advancement. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., No. 269, since 1869, serving it as Past Grand; Beaver Tribe, No. 62, O. R. M. of Norristown; K. of P., No. 130, of Manyunk; also of the Fraternal Encampment of Catasauqua; Roxboro Lodge No. 130, F. and A. M.; the Jerusalem Chapter No. 3, of Philadelphia and the Welsh Society of Philadelphia. He is a member of Trinity Lutheran church and has served in the church council many years. He was married to Hane Roberts, a daughter of Owen Roberts formerly of North Wales later of South Wales. Their children are as follows: Margaret, married to John Ritter, connected with Koch Bros., of Allentown, and William, of Allentown.

#### SAMUEL J. EVANS.

John L. Evans, grandfather of Samuel J. Evans, a native of South Wales, was born July 9, 1818, and died in Frackville, Pa., Jan. 12, 1896. He is buried on the family plot at Tamaqua. His wife, Susanna Hughes, was born in 1818, and died in her native country and is buried at Paw-y-prydd, Glamorganshire, South Wales. Mr. Evans was a blacksmith and came to America in 1846. He had three children, only one of whom, Jenkin, grew to manhood.

Jenkin Evans was born at New Bridge, South Wales, April 15, 1841. He accompanied his father to America and located at Pottsville, Schuylkill county, where he worked as a breaker boy and a miner. When the Civil War broke out he was among the first volunteers, and enlisted July 22, 1861, in Co. H, 81st Penna. After serving

three years as a private, he was promoted to sergeant. He participated in eleven engagements, and having been wounded in battle, received an honorable discharge.

After the war he was superintendent of a mine at Mount Carmel until 1870. He was subsequently employed as a machine salesman at Tamaqua, where he served as chief of police during the Molly Maguire troubles in 1881 and 1882. In 1882 he removed to Allentown, where he was a pension attorney, having been previously admitted to practice before the department at Washington. He was then agent for a nursery company until 1910, since which time he has been general agent for the General Accident & Health Insurance Company. He has been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic since 1867 and in 1904 was Junior Vice Deputy Commander of the State. He was married in 1860 to Permillia M. Morrison, who died in 1892. He was married the second time to Elizabeth Y. Ellis, of Philadelphia. Mr. Evans was the father of eight children, six of whom died in childhood. The surviving children are: Samuel J., of Slatington; and Isaac J., of Baltimore, Md.

Samuel J. Evans, postmaster of Slatington, was born June 16, 1861. At the age of seventeen he began to learn the trade of boilermaking at Mahanoy City and finished his trade at Tamaqua. He served as apprentice and journeyman from 1877 until 1899, when he opened a boilermaking establishment for himself at Slatington, which he has continued ever since. In 1892 he added the manufacturing of machinery.

From 1881 to 1887 he worked in the Heilman Boiler Works at Allentown and from 1887 to 1889 he lived at Sparrow's Point, Md., where he was employed by the Pennsylvania Steel Company.

Mr. Evans is prominently identified with the Republican party. He was elected committeeman of the third precinct of Slatington and also a member of council, of which he was the president for one year. He was a member of the state committee for two years, and later was a member-at-large, being the first member of the state committee from Slatington. He was a state delegate and has always taken an active part in the politics of his borough. On Feb. 21, 1907, he was appointed postmaster of Slatington by President Roosevelt, and on Jan. 19, 1911, was re-appointed by President Taft.

During his first administration, in 1909, free delivery was established in Slatington and three letter carriers are now serving the public. The post office building was greatly improved in convenience and appearance, the service was elevated to a higher standard of efficiency, the salaries of

the clerks raised and the business of the office increased very materially during his incumbency.

Mr. Evans and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum, Knights of Pythias, Fraternal Order of Eagles, and of a number of political clubs. Mr. Evans was married, Nov. 22, 1879, to Esther A. Watts, daughter of Ridley and Elizabeth Watts, of Mahanoy City. They have the following children: J. Garfield, John L., Pamillia M., who died at Allentown; George H., Samuel H., Gertrude E., Mildred N., Evelyn, and Russell R.

#### EVERETT FAMILY.

Tradition has it that John Everett, one of the early settlers of Allemängel, hailed from Dedham, Mass., the ancestral home of the noted New England Everett family, whose progenitor came from England in 1634. He is said to have come to Pennsylvania in 1740. In 1751 we find his name and that of his son Thomas on a petition. In 1756 one of the forts erected on the frontier for the protection of the settlers was called Fort Everett. John Everett, born 1701, is said to have had a number of children, among whom were four sons: Thomas, Samuel, John, Philip, and three daughters: Mrs. Brobst, Mrs. Daniel Wannamacher, and Mrs. Rev. John Roth. The latter was a schoolmaster, who at the request of the Reformed settlers of that vicinity became their pastor.

John Everett, Jr., is buried in the corner of a field, near Fort Everett. Thomas Everett, a descendant, keeps the grave in good condition. He was married to Mary Miller, (1766-1836). Their children were: John and James, both of whom settled in the Catawissa Valley; Jacob, Daniel and Stephen, migrated to Ohio; Samuel; Catharine, married James Price; Molly, married Jacob Oswald; Elizabeth, married Samuel Sittler; and Rebecca, married James Henritzy. It is supposed that the above named John Everett had two brothers, Thomas and Joseph, and that their father was John Everett, of Dedham, Mass. Samuel Everett was a justice in Allemängel in 1769. Philip Everett had three sons: Michael Heinrich, John, and Tobias. Michael Heinrich is said to have three sons: John, Tobias and Heinrich. Tobias, son of Heinrich, lived to the north of Tripoli, on the homestead later owned by Oliver Zellner. To him and his wife Esther Herber, were born two sons and two daughters. Heinrich, Jr., lived on a farm adjoining that of his brother Tobias, now in possession of Daniel Gift. He was married to a Miss Fetherolf and had one daughter, Mrs. Daniel Kistler, of Allentown. John Everett, a stone mason by trade,



lived on a farm in Lynn township. He and his wife Barbara, a daughter of Peter Fry, were buried in the Weisenberg cemetery. They had the following children: Polly, married to Joseph Reinsmith; Levi, married to Helena Butz; Nathan; Sallie, married Christian Snyder; John and Moses both of whom died unmarried; Lydia, married William Moyer; and David, married Adaline Wert. Samuel Everett, son of John and Mary Miller Everett, was a life long farmer in Lynn township. He was married to Lydia Schwab. Their children were: David; Samuel; Edward; and Lydia, the wife of Owen Krum. Jacob Everett, son of John, farmer, lived on the Everett homestead near Fort Everett. To him and his wife, Susanna Schwab, were born ten children: Charles, born 1811; Martha, married David Horn; Mary, married David Kern; William, married Hannah Krum; Samuel, married Sarah Lutz; Thomas, married Lizzie Kressler; Susanna, married William Long; Daniel, married Katie Weaver; Amanda, married Isaac Oswald.

Thomas Everett, son of Jacob, was born in Lynn, in 1830. He is a carpenter and painter by trade and resides on a small farm. In 1871 he was married to Lizzie Kressler. They are members of St. Jacob's Reformed congregation. Their only son is married to Emma Rauch. They have two children: Thomas J., and Clara R.

Thomas F. Everett, farmer and owner of a part of the original Everett grant of 1735, is a son of Samuel Everett and his wife, Sariah Lutz, a daughter of Samuel Lutz. He was for many years employed as a carpenter in Allentown, and throughout the coal regions. He and his family are members of St. Jacob's Reformed congregation. To him and his first wife were born two sons: Thomas F. and Elmer. He was married a second time to Polly Kistler, a daughter of Joseph Kistler and had one son, Clement, and one daughter, Mrs. Amanda Weiss, of New Tripoli.

Samuel Everett met with a mysterious death about five years ago. A neighbor seeing the house on fire, entered and found him lying behind the door with a fractured skull. He succeeded in carrying out the body, but nothing else in the building was saved. Mrs. Polly Everett died at the home of her sister at Allentown, Dec. 28, 1911. Thomas Everett was born at Slatedale in 1861. He was educated in the public schools, after which he followed the trade of carpentering for a period of seventeen years after which he was employed for a time at one of the Allentown planing mills. In 1901 he came into possession of a tract of 68 acres of land, a part of the original Everett grant. This tract has been held in

turn by John, Jacob, Daniel, Samuel and Thomas F. Everett.

WILLIAM G. H. EVERETT, a farmer at Sheidy's, North Whitehall township, is a great-grandson of Frederick Everett, a lock-tender, who lost his life in performance of his duty. He was tender of the canal lock across the river from Laury's. He was survived by his wife, four sons, John, William, Adam, and Samuel, and one daughter. He was buried at the Indian Land church. William, son of Frederick, lived at Rockdale, and for upwards of fifty years was a section foreman on the L. V. R. R. He and his wife, Rebecca, a daughter of Joseph Heiney, were members of the Miller's Reformed congregation. They had ten children: Sarah, Susan, Mary, Alben, William, Alice, Elemina, Charles, Alexander D., and Sydney. Alexander D. was born Aug. 28, 1866. He attended the public schools of his native township, the K. S. N. S., and Muhlenberg College. After teaching public school for three terms he learned the art of telegraphy. After working for various companies, he entered into the employ of Lehigh and New England R. R. Company, and is their representative at Slatington. He is a member of the K. of G. E., and M. W. of W.; a member of St. John's Reformed congregation. In politics he is a Democrat. He was married, Aug. 31, 1891, to Maggie M., a daughter of Reuben and Eliza (Keck) Scheidy. This union is blessed with four children: Harry S., a graduate of Bucknell University; Russell W., a graduate of K. S. N. S.; Mark R., and Paul A., who died in infancy.

John Everett, son of Frederick, succeeded his father as lock-tender. Subsequently bought a farm near Egypt, upon which he lived until the time of his death. He was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation, where his ashes repose. He served three years as a soldier in the Civil War. He was married to Telilah Zellner, a daughter of Elias Zellner, of Laurel Hill. They had two sons: James, who resides at 1347 Chew street, Allentown; and William G. H.

WILLIAM G. H. was born at Egypt, Feb. 27, 1859. He attended the public schools of the district and at the age of nineteen learned the art of carpentering, which trade he followed for a period of thirty years. In 1907 he came into possession of the Heinrich Frantz homestead, the stone house on which was erected in 1786. In 1912 he remodeled the old house and also erected another house in the meadow along the public highway.

He is married to Minnie Mallison, of Scranton, where she lived with an aunt of hers. She came to America at the age of fifteen. They had

the following children: Bessie, married to Homer Laubach, died 1912, aged 25 years; Sadie, married William Musselman; Harrison, died in infancy; Albert; Ellen; Mary; and Lillie. Mr. Everett is a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation. In politics he is a Republican.

James F. Everett, son of John and Deliah (Zellner) Everett, was born in Northampton county, Pa., in 1853. He acquired a practical education in the common schools of the neighborhood, and in early life learned the trade of carpenter, and his active career has been devoted to the contracting and building business, in which he has been highly successful, erecting many of the large buildings in the cement region, which stand as monuments to his skill and ability. In 1889 he was appointed superintendent of the Atlas Cement Works at North Coplay, and has served in that capacity from that date to the present time (1914). He resided at Cementon for twenty-eight years, three years in Egypt, and for the past six years has been a resident of Allentown. In 1899 he was appointed one of the first commissioners of Whitehall township, and also served three years as auditor. He is a member of the Egypt Reformed church.

Mr. Everett married Ellen L. Peters, daughter of Nicholas and Salome (Rhoads) Peters, at Neffsville, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Allen J., fireman, married Mattie George. Children: Clarissa, Martha, George. 2. Thomas, married Jennie Henshaw; children: Ellen, Irene, Thomas J. 3. Preston J., of whom further. 4. Annie T., died July 22, 1899. 5. Charles W., machinist, married Hattie Newhart, of Northampton. Child: Harvey J. 6. Mabel S., married Claud Gaumer, of Allentown. 7. James Maxwell, unmarried, resides at home.

PRESTON J. EVERETT was born in Egypt, Lehigh county, Pa., in 1880. When quite young his parents removed to Cementon, and Preston J. resided with them until he was twenty-eight years of age, and since 1905, he has been a resident of Allentown. In early life he attended the public schools of Cementon, graduated from the high school with honor, and later pursued a business course in one of the local colleges. Since 1898 he has been continuously in the employ of the Atlas Portland Cement Company at Northampton, Pa., and at the present time is serving in the capacity of chief timekeeper.

Mr. Everett is an independent voter, but has always taken an active interest in public affairs. He and his family are members of Bethany United Evangelical church, taking active part in all its work. He is affiliated with several fraternal bodies, notably the Independent Order of Odd

Fellows; the Masonic Fraternity and the John Hay Republican Club.

Mr. Everett married Gertrude Fegley. They have an only son, John P. Everett.

#### FAHLER FAMILY.

This family originally settled in the southern part of Lehigh county, where George Fahler lived before he moved to Northampton county. He lived near Hecktown, where he died in 1800, and is buried at the Hecktown church. He was married to a Miss Hartzell, of Williams township. Among their children were George; Peter, who went west; Mrs. Joseph Heckman, who lived along the Pocono Mountains; Mrs. Jonas Musselman, of near Kreidersville; Mrs. Peter Lynn, who lived near Stone Church, and another daughter, married to a Mr. Clewell, of near Bath.

George Fahler was born December 25, 1800, near Hecktown. He worked on the farm until he was grown up, when he learned the shoemaking trade with Mr. Wasser, who lived along the east bank of the Lehigh, and he carried on the shoemaking trade for fifty years in North Whitehall township. He lived on a small tract of land owned later by Edwin Breinig. This he conducted with his shoemaking. He died in 1871, and is buried at the Egypt church. He was married to Elizabeth Mickley, a daughter of Peter Mickley, born 1772, died 1861, and his wife Salome Biery, who was born in Longswamp township in 1772, and died in 1868. Mrs. Fahler was born October 2, 1805, and died in 1845. They were the parents of thirteen children, nearly all of whom are now deceased: William, Robert, George, Eliza, Caroline, Eliza, Louisa, married to Henry Laudenslager; Polly, married to Walter Miller; James; Hattie, married to John Anewalt; Sallie, married to Henry Trumbauer; Harry and Hannah.

JAMES FAHLER, of Catasauqua, was born in North Whitehall township July 2, 1836. He learned the blacksmith trade when sixteen years of age, and has followed it ever since, a period of sixty years. Since 1884 he resides at 735 Third street, Catasauqua. He and family are members of the United Evangelical Church. He served as treasurer of the Sunday School for twelve years, and as trustee of the church for many years. In 1855 he was married to Susanna Dreisbach, a daughter of Jacob and Magdalena (Bleim) Dreisbach, of Allen township. She was born July 4, 1825, and died May 30, 1902. They had children as follows: Alvesta, married to Eugene Brader. Mr. Brader was accidentally caught in the cogwheels of a flour mill at Tamaqua. Issue: Mabel; Flossie, deceased; Wini-



fred F., married to A. K. Mertz; Francis J., blacksmith, of Catasauqua, married to Hannah Frantz; issue, Eva, Hattie; Verna and Thomas J., deceased; Mary M., married to Preston Weaver; issue, Edwin, Carrie, Mabel, Charles, Mary, Ralph and Marian.

#### FALK FAMILY.

The Falks settled originally in Lynn township, where they were one of the earliest families of that section. George Falk was born in the upper end of the county. He was a weaver by trade, weaving carpet, linen goods for clothing, and bed covers. At an early period he moved to near Ruchsville, where he lived the greater part of his life. He was married to a Miss Bader. Among their children were the following: Hattie, married to Mr. Rau; and Samuel.

Samuel Falk was born Dec. 13, 1801. He died Oct. 8, 1851. He was a Reformed member of the Egypt church, where he is buried. Like his father, he also learned weaving. For a number of years he was a fence maker. He lived near Ruch's school house and was married to Catharine Semmel. Their children were: Reuben; William; Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Kuhns); Julia, (Mrs. Gideon Marcks); Elvina (Mrs. William Bortz); Elias; Lewis; Henry.

Reuben Falk, oldest son of Samuel, lived near Laury's, where he died. He is buried on the new cemetery at Unionville, where he was a member of the Reformed congregation. He married Catharine Roth, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Frantz) Roth. Issue: Polly, married to Paul Sieger, of Cementon; James P.; Joseph, of Ballietsville; Samuel, deceased; Tilghman, of Laury's; Rebecca; and Pruella.

William Falk, son of Samuel, was born in North Whitehall in 1827. He carried on shoemaking and farming near Mechanicsville, where he died in 1898. He was a member of the Reformed congregation at Egypt and served this church as a deacon. He married Gerebella Kinely, who was born Dec. 1, 1827, died Dec. 6, 1858. Issue: Jacob, of Allentown; Jerusha, married to R. Peters; and Thomas, of North Whitehall. Mr. Falk was married the second time to Lucy Heintzelman, daughter of John D. Heintzelman, of Lynn township. Issue: Ellen; William H.; Elias; and Mantana, married to Const. Worman.

WILLIAM H. FALK, son of William Falk, retired butcher of Ruchsville, was born in Fort Deshler, Jan. 28, 1861. When a young man he learned the blacksmith trade, which he followed six years. He then engaged in the butcher business, which he followed for twenty years until 1903, when he retired. He was succeeded

by George Falk, son of James, son of Reuben. He now deals in hides and tallow and iron fences. He resides at Ruchsville and has large holdings of real estate. He is a member of the Reformed congregation at Egypt, which he has served as deacon. On March 8, 1888, he married Annie E. Stauffer, daughter of Daniel and Fannie (Long) Stauffer.

Lewis Falk, son of Samuel, lived at Ironton for a number of years. He died at this place and is buried at Egypt, where he and family were members of the Reformed congregation. For a number of years he was an engineer on the Ironton Railroad and later he was a stationary engineer at the mines. He was married to Martha J. Ritz, a daughter of Peter and Florence (Trexler) Ritz. They had eleven children, of whom four died young: Kate, the wife of Harry Beitelman, of Hokendauqua, died in 1911, aged 30 years; Monroe, who lived with his mother, died, unmarried, in February, 1912. The other children are: Frank, Edwin, Samuel, Maggie M., and Mary.

MAGGIE M. FALK, a daughter of Lewis Falk, has taught school at Ironton for seventeen consecutive terms. She is regarded as one of the best teachers in the township. She is a member of the Reformed Church and takes an active part in the Union Sunday school at Ironton. She was educated in the public schools of her native township, the Schnecksville Academy, and the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown.

Elias Falk, son of Samuel, has lived at Coplay for a number of years. He has been employed in the cement mills for a number of years, and for several years was watchman at the Whitehall cement mills. He now lives retired. He married Lovina Miller, and had children: Milton, Amelia, ( Mrs. Howard Gilbert ); and Annie.

James P. Falk, son of Reuben, was born in North Whitehall township, Aug. 1, 1850. In 1879, he purchased a 24-acre tract of land near Sheidy's, upon which he has lived ever since. He is a member of the Reformed congregation at Egypt, which he has served as deacon, elder, and trustee. He is married to Alice J. Schneck, daughter of Jeremiah and Sally A. (Deibert) Schneck. Issue: Laura, Frank, George, Daisy, Calvin, Charles, Mary, James, Sallie A. B., and Mabel M.

GEORGE J. FALK, a butcher of Ruchsville, son of James P. Falk, was born in North Whitehall township, Nov. 17, 1876. He was reared on the farm, and in 1895 learned the butcher trade with William H. Falk, whom he succeeded in the business, Sept. 16, 1903. He has since carried on the business very successfully. He is a member of the Reformed church at Egypt. Socially

he belongs to the following organizations: I. O. O. F., and the K. G. E. In 1900 he married Matilda S. A. Bertsch, daughter of Oscar and Sallie (Rex) Bertsch: Issue: William J.; Elmer G.; Edna I.; Reuben J.; and Harvey A.

#### FARR FAMILY OF NEW ENGLAND.

This surname is believed by many to be identical with Farrar, and there is considerable reason for the supposition, as persons of both names appear simultaneously in different localities in New England. It is derived from a Latin word meaning iron, and was probably used as a place before it came into use as a family name. It was first known in England from Gualkeline (or Walkeline) de Farraris, a Norman of distinction attached to William, Duke of Normandy, before the conquest of England in 1066. From him all of the name in England and America appear to be descended. His son, Henry De Farrars, appears on the roll of the Battle Abbey, among the principal companions of the Conqueror, and as the first of the family in England. When the general survey of the realm, recorded in the Domesday Book, was made in the fourteenth year of the Conqueror's reign, Henry was one of the commissioners appointed to compile the work. He bore for his arms: Argent six horse-shoes pierced sable.

The first of the name in England was George Farr, who settled in Salem in 1629, coming with Higginson; was admitted freeman in 1635, settled finally at Lynn, Massachusetts, and left eight children. Most of the families spelling the name Farr are descended from Stephen, mentioned below. John Farr, of Stow, thought by some writers to be grandson of George Farrar, of Lynn, married, May 11, 1703, Hannah, daughter of John Applin, of Watertown. Descendants of the Farrar family are numerous in Stow, Littleton, Hardwick, Hatfield and other towns in Massachusetts. Simultaneously there appear in Lynn a Thomas Farrar, and by some writers the two families are confused.

I. Thomas Farr, the first of this line, came from England and located first at Boston, Massachusetts, where he executed a power of attorney, Feb. 2, 1645, giving authority to his brother, Henry Farr, a mariner, to lease or sell lands in England. He is said to have been a son of Thomas Farr (or Farrar) residing near Burnley in Lancashire. Thomas Farr settled in Lynn, where he died in 1694. His wife Elizabeth died Jan. 8, 1680. There is no conclusive evidence that he was related to George Farr, of Lynn, though it is natural to suppose that they were in some way related. The early records of Lynn are fragmentary and defective, so that many

things remain unproved: Among these is the supposition that Stephen Farr was a son of Thomas and Elizabeth Farr. Their children known were: Thomas, living in 1693; Susanna, born March 26, 1659; Mehitable, Oct. 6, 1660; Pelog, died young; there were probably others.

II. Stephen Farr, believed to be a son of Thomas Farr, of Lynn, first appears on the records at Concord, Massachusetts, where he married, May 25, 1674, Mary, daughter of William and Mary Taylor, born March 19, 1649. He served in King Philip's War from Concord, in 1675-76, as a member of Captain Davenport's company, and resided in the district now constituting the town of Stow, which lay between the towns of Concord and Lancaster. Two of his children were recorded at Concord but no record can be found of others, of whom there were probably several. Those recorded were: Ebenezer, born Nov. 10, 1676; and Stephen, mentioned below.

III. Stephen (2), son of Stephen (1) and Mary (Taylor) Farr, was born April 11, 1679, recorded at Concord, and resided in Stow. He married, Sept. 28, 1708, Sarah, daughter of Simon and Sarah (Farnsworth) Stone, of Groton, the latter a daughter of Matthias and Mary (Farr) Farnsworth, and granddaughter of George and Elizabeth Farr, of Lynn. Mary Farr was born Jan. 6, 1644, in Lynn. Elizabeth widow of George Farr, deposed, June 2, 1684, that she lived fifty-four years in Lynn, on a tract of land given her husband by the town.

George Farr was a freeman of Lynn, admitted May 6, 1635, and had a grant of land there in 1638. A George Farr was in Ipswich in 1643, was herd keeper there in 1647 and a famous killer of foxes. Children of Stephen (2) and Sarah Farr recorded at Stow: Jemima, Nov. 29, 1713; Joseph, April 11, 1718, removed to Cummington; Susanna, Sept. 6, 1724. Records of other children have not been found, but there is no doubt that they were the parents of Stephen next mentioned.

(IV). Stephen (3), son of Stephen (2) and Sarah (Stone) Farr, was born as early as 1710 and resided in Stow, where records show that he purchased one hundred acres of land from his father. He married Sarah Bennett, and they had children recorded at Stow: Sarah, born Jan. 19, 1735; Stephen, mentioned below; Silas, Sept. 10, 1737; Olive, Jan. 11, 1745; Simeon, March 23, 1747; Elias, August 23, 1749.

(V.) Stephen (4), eldest son of Stephen (3) and Sarah (Bennett) Farr, was born about 1739-40, in Stow, and settled in the adjoining town of Acton. The lands owned by the family were on the town line. Thence he removed to Cum-



mington, Hampshire county, Massachusetts, being among the first settlers of the town. He owned much land, and was one of the original members of the church organized July 7, 1771. At the proprietors' meeting held July 19, 1771, at the house of Joseph Farr, innkeeper at Cummington, Stephen Farr was moderator. He later resided near the old road from Northampton, where some authorities say he also kept a tavern. Among the families in Cummington in 1776 were those of Stephen and seven others named Farr. Simeon and Silas Farr, of this family, from Hatfield Equivalent, Township No. 5, and Hadley, respectively, were soldiers in the Revolution. After the war Stephen Farr went northward and in 1790 was shown by the United States census a resident of Washington county, New York. Before 1803 he settled in Essex county, that state, where he died June 10, 1822, and was buried at Fort Ann, Washington county. He married, March 1, 1764, at Stow, Lois, daughter of Samuel and Priscilla (Farnsworth) Randall. Their children were: Lois, born about December, 1764; Reuben, about 1767; Steven, 1779, resided in Hounsfield, New York; Joel, lived in Warren county, New York; Randall, mentioned below; Levi, lived at Schroon, New York, and moved to Ohio; Arod, lived at Sackett's Harbor, New York; Sally, married a Mr. Miller, and lived east of Whitehall, New York; a daughter, married John Parrish, and has descendants in Iowa.

(VI) Randall, son of Stephen (4) Farr, was born in Cummington, March 10, 1772, died Nov. 26, 1857. When a young man, he settled in North Hudson, Essex county, New York, where he is said to have built the first saw-mill and conducted the first hotel. He married Lucretia Andrus, born July 25, 1785, died Feb. 1, 1844, daughter of Obadiah Andrus, of Farmington, Connecticut, a soldier of the Colonial Wars and Revolution. He enlisted May 14, 1762, in Captain Timothy Northam's company, Colonel Michael Thody's regiment, New York troops, served till November 16th of the same year. He is described as a joiner by trade, twenty-one years old, five feet, ten inches in height, with dark complexion, brown eyes and dark brown hair. He enlisted Jan. 1, 1777, for three years, in Captain Champion's company, Colonel Samuel Wylly's regiment (Third Connecticut), and was discharged Dec. 24, 1779. He again enlisted Dec. 15, 1780, in the First Connecticut Regiment, under Captain Buell, Colonel Zebulon Butler, and was discharged March 18, 1783. From May to September, 1783, he was a private in Captain Lemuel Swift's company of Swift's Connecticut regiment. During his first enlist-

ment his company was detached in many engagements, and under Washington's personal command against Stony Point. They spent the winter of 1779-80 at Morristown, New Jersey. Children of Randall Farr:

1. Harriet. 2. Lucy, married (first) a Mr. Barnes, and (second) Chauncey Whitney. 3. George Washburn, mentioned below. 4. Harry. 5. Cyrus. 6. Rufus.

VII. George Washburn, son of Randall Farr, was born at North Hudson, New York, September 12, 1807, died June 24, 1863. He became a lumber merchant at his native place at Schroon Lake, New York, and about 1853, moved to Grand Rapids, Michigan, and for several years dealt in timber lands and lumber. He moved to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1857, and followed farming in that vicinity until 1863, then returned to Grand Rapids, where he died. He was a Congregationalist in religious belief and was a deacon for many years. He married (first) in January, 1831, Perlina E. Pease, who died June 6, 1832. He married (second) in September, 1835, Miriam Day, who died April 4, 1839. He married (third) Oct. 26, 1840, Esther Day, sister of his second wife, born in Essex county, Aug. 22, 1809, daughter of Bezaleel and Celinda (Day) Day. Children by second wife: 1. L. Watson Barnes. 2. George Day, resides in Washington, D. C. Children by third wife: 3. Leroy Hull. 4. Willard Marion. 5. Freeman Seward. 6. Augustine Washington. 7. Marvin Andrus, mentioned below. Three of the sons were soldiers in the Civil War. Leroy H. died from the effects of prison life in the South; Willard M. was a captain, and George D. was the third brother who served in the Union Army.

VIII. Marvin Andrus, son of George Washburn and Esther (Day) Farr, was born at Schroon Lake, New York, Aug. 9, 1852. He attended private schools and a preparatory school at Waukesha, Wisconsin, and there prepared for college. In 1866, he entered Carroll College, at Waukesha, and was graduated in 1871. Since Dec. 2, 1872, he has resided in Chicago, where since 1892 he has been engaged in real estate business under his own name, and has become one of the foremost men there in his line of business. For some years he was manager of the West Chicago Land Company. He is a director and a member of the executive committee of the Chicago Title and Trust Company, and is a member and former president of the Chicago Real Estate Board. He is also a director of the Illinois Brick Company.

Mr. Farr comes from some of the finest New England stock, and after a careful genealogical

research has been able to trace his descent as follows: Eighth in descent from John Johnson, surveyor general; Captain John Whipple, of Ipswich, Massachusetts; Hugh Calkin; Gregory and Simon Stone. Seventh from John Guild, John Gallup, Sr., Stephen Hart, Lieutenant William Hough, Captain Anthony Hawkins, George Robinson, Jr., John Whitney, Matthias Farnsworth, Hugh Rowe, Captain Whipple, of Providence, Rhode Island; John Tower; Thomas Wilmarth; George Clark. Sixth from Captain John Everett, John Shattuck, Stephen Farr, Sergeant John Randall, John Gallup, Jr., Lieutenant John Judd, Lieutenant Reynold Marvin. Fifth from Sergeant Thomas Hart, and third from Obadiah Andrus. Besides these there are many others who were prominent in early New England history.

Mr. Farr is a member of the New England Society of Chicago; the Sons of the American Revolution; the Society of Colonial Wars; the Chicago Literary Club; the Round Table Literary Club; the Union League, of which he was first vice-president; the Kenwood Club, of which for nine years he was a director; Kenwood Evangelical church, and various other organizations. He is a member of the Chicago Plans Commission. In politics he is a Republican. His office is at 849 Marquette building.

He married Charlotte Camp, daughter of Isaac N. and Flora M. (Carpenter) Camp, of Burlington, Vermont. Children: Newton Camp, born at Chicago, Dec. 25, 1887, a graduate of Cornell University, and a civil engineer, of Chicago; Barbara Charlotte, born Feb. 16, 1905.

#### FARR FAMILY, ALLENTOWN.

George Farr, a farmer, owned and occupied a farm of more than 50 acres, situated on the Bethlehem turnpike, two miles below Sellersville, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. On this farm his wife, Barbara, died about the year 1854, and is buried at the Hilltown church, of which all the family were members of the Lutheran congregation. A daughter, Barbara, died in 1858, and is buried by the side of her mother. After the death of his wife, George Farr sold his farm and went to live with his sister, Christiana, intermarried with Joseph Stark, at Easton. There he died on May 1, 1860, at the age of fifty-eight years and is buried on the Easton cemetery. They had the following children:

1. George, Jr., born about 1831; was confirmed at the Hilltown church in 1849, enlisted in the beginning of the Civil War in the nine months' service, as a substitute, and upon return-

ing home at the expiration of his enlistment, he died aboard ship from a contagious disease and was buried at sea about fifty miles from New York.

2. Henry.

3. Jacob L.

4. William was born June 22, 1845, and from 1859 until the close of the Civil War, he made his home with his aunt, Mrs. Joseph Stark, at Easton. He then went to Philadelphia and was engaged in the shoe business in that city until his death on July 30, 1871, aged 26 years, 1 month and 8 days. He is buried on the Stark plot in the Easton cemetery.

5. Barbara died in 1858, aged about 12 years.

Jacob Farr, shoe manufacturer, was born at Summerville, Jefferson county, Pa., in 1838. His opportunities for securing an education were very limited and at the age of 14, he secured employment as a clerk in a store in Philadelphia. After a short time he came to Allentown and acquired a thorough knowledge of the shoe business. He then opened a small store which led to the foundation of the present shoe industry of Farr Brothers.

From a small beginning the business expanded until it became one of the largest of its kind in the Lehigh Valley. He died in April, 1889, and was interred in Union cemetery. He was a member of the Reformed Church.

He was married three times, (first) to Caroline Smith. They had a son, William, who died in young manhood. He married (second) Elizabeth Haas, and they had Harvey H., and Jacob L. Farr, who succeeded to their father's business and trade under the name of Farr Brothers.

He married (third) Agnes Wittman, daughter of Joseph and Lovina (Kearns) Wittman. Mrs. Farr is a member of the Lutheran Church and is a highly respected lady. She resides at No. 825 Linden street, Allentown.

#### HARVEY H. FARR.

Harvey H. Farr, connected with the banking, mercantile, and manufacturing interests of Allentown, is a native of this city. He acquired his early education in the public schools of Allentown and then entered the academy at East Hampden, Massachusetts, but before the time of his graduation he was obliged to return home, owing to the death of his elder brother, William, who had been his father's assistant, and thus he was needed at home. In 1860 Jacob Farr established a shoe store and his son Harvey, upon his return in 1883, entered the store, where he remained as a salesman until 1888. In that year his father died, and he and his brother, Jacob L., joined Nathan Haas under the firm name of



Farr, Haas & Co. They succeeded to the business, and the partnership was maintained until 1900, when it was dissolved by mutual consent, and the new firm became H. H. Farr, Jacob L. Farr and Edgar Wenner, taking the name of Farr Brothers & Co. This they yet conduct, and have developed a large and profitable enterprise. In 1898 Harvey H. Farr organized the Lehigh Valley Shoe Company, for the manufacture of men's and boy's shoes of Goodyear welts. The output at the present time is about one thousand pairs of shoes per day, and the demand by the large retail houses for their manufactured product is so great that they have to purchase nearly all of the goods which they carry in their store. There is nothing in the line of ladies', men's and children's shoes that cannot be supplied to their large trade from their establishment. Their store is one of the most modern shoe emporiums in the state and their sales having reached a large figure.

Harvey H. Farr is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Reformed Church, the Masonic Fraternity, and is one of the charter members of the Lodge No. 130, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, at Allentown.

#### JACOB L. FARR.

Jacob L. Farr, the secretary and treasurer of the Lehigh Valley Shoe Company, and a member of the firm of Farr Brothers, shoe merchants, at Allentown, was born in Allentown, July 17, 1875. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, the Exeter Preparatory College at Exeter, New Hampshire; and the Worcester Academy, at Worcester, Massachusetts. Afterward he clerked in the shoe store for two years, when he became interested in the Lehigh Valley Company. Mr. Farr became a manufacturer of shoes because Farr Brothers themselves grew to become very large distributors of footwear, not only in Allentown, but also at Easton, and at Reading they conducted large retail stores.

Socially he is a member of Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. E., and he and family are members of Zion's Reformed church.

On May 3, 1906, he was married to Mabel E. Lorish, daughter of Milton Lorish, of Allentown. They have these children: J. Donald, Harvey L., and Elizabeth.

#### BENOIT FARISSIER.

Benoit Farissier, superintendent of the Queen City Silk Company, was born Oct. 28, 1867, in Paterson, N. J., and received his education in the common schools in the English and German languages until 15 years old; then he became an ap-

prentice in a silk mill, learning the trade which he followed until 1888, when he removed to Allentown, where he was employed in several mills for nearly twenty years. In 1907 he was appointed superintendent of the Queen City Silk Company, Allentown, manufacturers of silk ribbons, and has since conducted the business in a successful manner with 150 hands under him.

He was married in 1888 to Hattie S. Huffort, daughter of Stephen Huffort, and they have three children: Raymond E.; Irene M., wife of Edwin H. Rabenold; and Antoinette. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and of the Reformed Church, and in politics is a Democrat.

His father is Morris Farissier, who emigrated to America in 1863, as a silk weaver. He was employed in a silk mill at Paterson, N. J., until 1911, when he removed to Allentown, and has since resided there.

#### FASSOLD FAMILY.

Valentine Neiman Fassold, ancestor of this family, had five children: Valentine and Caspar, and three daughters, who came to America in 1781. Caspar and his wife, Maria Dorothea, had children, born in Whitehall township: Elizabeth on May 23, 1797, and Catharine on Aug. 17, 1798. Valentine Fassold was born in Germany, Dec. 6, 1765. He attended school there until fourteen years old, when he was apprenticed to a weaver. He then served in the army and after emigrating to America, lived two years in Philadelphia and then settled in Whitehall township, where he was a weaver from 1783 to 1816, when he removed to Shamokin township, Northumberland county, where he died Nov. 16, 1824. He served in the War of 1812, and in religion was a Lutheran, a member of the church at Augustaville, where he is buried. He married, first, Christina Xander, and had six children: Susanna, born Oct. 8, 1798, married Abraham Wolf; Mary Elizabeth, born Dec. 18, 1799, married Henry Dornsife; John, who settled in Richmond, Ind.; and three who died in infancy. He married, second, Catharine Barbara, daughter of Herman Schriber. She was born Dec. 28, 1775, and died Dec. 31, 1858. They had eleven children: Catharine, married Jonathan Kreigbaum; Jonathan; Peter, of Pottsville; George; Lydia, married Samuel Haupt; Charles, of McKeesport; Mary, married William Dachenbach; Joseph; Sarah, married George Zimmerman; Henry; and Mary A., married Daniel Kreiger.

George Fassold, son of Valentine, was born May 25, 1809, and died Dec. 13, 1895, in Northumberland county. He married Mary Kreiger

and among other children had a son, Samuel, born Feb. 16, 1839, died May 9, 1906, who married Mary Catharine Evert, and had three children: Ida J.; Rev. J. Calvin Fassold, of Williamstown, Dauphin county; and Dolan W., of Selinsgrove. Rev. J. Calvin Fassold married Maggie Albert and had children: Evert L., Robert A., Hannah W., who died in infancy, and Marshall.

#### FATZINGER FAMILY.

George Fatzinger, ancestor of this family, lived in Allen township in 1772. He and his wife Elizabeth had three children: Valentine, Eva, and Henry. Eva Fatzinger married, Nov. 5, 1765, John Ruch.

Valentine Fatzinger was born in 1740 and died May 12, 1807. He married Barbara Laury, who was born in 1751 and died June 31, 1860. They are buried in the old Allentown cemetery. In 1785 he owned a 200-acre tract in Salisbury township, where he lived, but later moved to the southwest corner of Eighth and Walnut streets, Allentown. His children were: Jacob; Maria Magdalena, born Jan. 10, 1773; Susanna, born Jan. 22, 1775; Solomon, born Oct. 22, 1781; and John, born Feb. 14, 1779, died Jan. 24, 1799. Jacob and his wife, Catharine, had a son, John, born Nov. 27, 1799.

Solomon Fatzinger married Christina Seip, and had ten children: Charles; William; Joseph; Daniel, born Jan. 1, 1814, died May 14, 1868; John; Eliza, born March 6, 1821, died Jan. 27, 1902, married Eli Beary; James; Thomas; Mrs. David Leiby; and Mrs. Clader.

Henry Fatzinger, second son of George, was born Nov. 1, 1752, and died April 4, 1835. He enlisted on July 9, 1776, in Capt. John Arndt's company of the Flying Camp, in the Revolution, was in the battle of Long Island, Aug. 27, 1776, where many of the company were killed or wounded, and in the battle at Fort Washington, Nov. 16, 1776, where 36 of the company were killed, wounded or missing. Thirty-three of the company, including the captain and 2d lieutenant rallied at Elizabethtown, N. J., after the battle. The company was discharged Dec. 1, 1776. Henry Fatzinger again saw service in 1781, when he was a sergeant in a company of Col. Geiger's Battalion. He lived near Shoenersville, in Hanover township, where he owned 200 acres of land in 1788. He married Catharine Weaver, who was born Nov. 17, 1763, and died Feb. 12, 1835. They are both buried at Shoenersville church. They had seven children: Catharine, married John Peter Osenbach; Margaret, married Henry Fogelman; Jacob; Adam; Henry,

married Nancy Quier and moved to Ohio; John; and George, who moved to Ohio with his family.

Jacob Fatzinger was born in 1785 and died in 1826. He married Catharine Brader, born 1783, died 1873, and had five children: Daniel, Charles, Samuel, Lydia, and Eliza.

John Fatzinger married Polly Weaver and had sons: Joseph, David, Henry, and Peter.

Adam Fatzinger, born Dec. 17, 1790, died March 23, 1880, was engaged in farming the homestead until he retired. His wife was Polly Adams, born Feb. 22, 1796, died April 29, 1881. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, a Democrat in politics, and served his township as supervisor. Mr. and Mrs. Fatzinger had these children: Charles, Thomas, William, Henry, Paul, Tilghman, Owen, Robert, Catherine, Julian, Sarah, Polly, Susanna, who died at the age of 19 years, and Mary Ann.

Tilghman Fatzinger lived on the farm now the property of his son, Charles. The farm consisted of 155 acres and is now divided into a number of tracts: Robert has 18 acres; William, 48 acres; Charles, 70 acres; and the tract the widow lives on consists of 11 acres. In politics Mr. Fatzinger was a Democrat. He was a member of the Lutheran church at Shoenersville, where he served as deacon for several years. His wife, Mary, daughter of John Clader, is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Fatzinger had these children: William A.; Charles H.; Alice, married Preston V. Snyder; Annie; Sarah; Frank, of Catasauqua; Mary, wife of Albert Kleckner; Tilghman; Owen; Robert; Minnie, wife of Frank Rhine.

Tilghman Fatzinger, a farmer of Hanover township, was born Nov. 10, 1874, and was reared upon the farm. In 1900 he began farming for himself and prior to that time worked for his father. His farm consists of 17 acres and is a part of the Adam Fatzinger homestead. He is a member of the Lutheran Church and in politics is a Democrat. On Oct. 31, 1909, he was married to Agnes Fogel, daughter of Jonas and Emma (Kichline) Fogel, of Hanover. Mr. and Mrs. Fatzinger have one daughter, Helen M. A.

WILLIAM A. FATZINGER, a farmer of Hanover township, was born Nov. 6, 1861, and was reared upon the farm. In 1895 he began farming in Hanover and was a tenant on the farm of his father-in-law, Walter Faust. In 1899, he acquired his present farm, originally the homestead of Charles Fatzinger, and conducted it to this time. He is a member of the Lutheran church at Shoenersville, and is a member of the Democratic party. In 1893, he was married to Minnie A. Faust, daughter of Walter and Eliza-



beth (Hoch) Faust. They have an only daughter, Ellen.

CHARLES H. FATZINGER, a farmer and citizen of Hanover township, was born March 7, 1863. He attended the public schools of his native township and was reared upon the farm. In 1898, he began farming his present farm, originally the homestead of his great-grandfather, Heinrich Fatzinger, who is buried at Shoenersville. This farm consists of 86 acres of fertile land. In 1862 the first log house was razed and was replaced by the present brick house. The old stone barn was raised in 1892. The brick house was built by Adam Fatzinger. Mr. Fatzinger is a member of the Lutheran church at Shoenersville and a Democrat in politics.

In 1894, he married Eda Hoffman, daughter of Levi Hoffman, of Kreidersville. Mr. and Mrs. Fatzinger have an adopted daughter, Mabel Hoffman, a niece of Mrs. Fatzinger.

#### FAUST FAMILY.

The Faust family, of Pennsylvania, has been resident there since the early part of the eighteenth century, and many of its members have earned distinction in various fields. They have always done their share in defence of the land of their adoption, and a partial record of their services in the Revolutionary War is here given. The family came to this country from Germany, and as the name signifies "fist," it may have been given because of their valor as soldiers.

Henry Faust, private in Captain Daniel De Turk's Company, of Berks County Association, July, 1776. Henry Faust and John Faust drew pay as privates in above company in 1778, for two months, service commencing August 26. Henry Faust, private in Captain Miller's Company of Militia, of Berks county, commanded by Colonel Joseph Hiester, May 31, 1781. Jacob Faust was a private in Captain Jacob Ladich's Company of Berks county militia, from October 1 to October 17, 1781. He drew depreciation pay as a member of the continental line. In 1782 he is recorded as an ensign in the Seventh Company, First Battalion, Northumberland county. Johannes Faust was a private in Captain Miller's Company of Berks county militia, commanded by Colonel John Hiester, May 31, 1781. He enlisted May 12, 1778, as a recruit of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment, was in active service, and received bounty, sixty dollars, at Philadelphia, August 5, 1778. He was a member of the Continental Line, Ninth Pennsylvania, in 1780, and his name also appears among "Officers and Men," belonging to Pennsylvania Line in Invalid Regiment from May, 1780, to September, 1780. John, Jacob, and

Peter Faust drew depreciation pay as members of the Continental line. John Faust is a private in Captain B. Weser's Company, Northumberland county, January 30, 1777. Michael Faust was a corporal of the First Pennsylvania Regiment in Continental Line from January 1, 1777, to January 18, 1781, and drew depreciation pay. Peter Faust drew depreciation pay as a member of the Continental Line of Pennsylvania, on the Roll of the Pennsylvania Volunteers from June, 1780, to July, 1781; was a member of Captain John Reegel's Company.

Philip Faust was born about 1785, and died about 1850. He settled in Upper Berne township, Berks county, Pa., and was engaged in agricultural pursuits; was a Jeffersonian Democrat; and he and his wife were attendants at the Reformed Church. He married Christiana Lehr, born in 1787, died in 1870, and they were the parents of: Daniel, deceased; Mary, married William Hinckey; Jacob.

Jacob, son of Philip and Christiana (Lehr) Faust, was born in 1818, and died in 1892. He was a carpenter by trade, and also owned and cultivated a farm, first in Lower Heidelberg township, later in Jefferson township, and was a man of considerable wealth at the time of his death. He was a Democrat, and a member of the Reformed Church, while his wife attended the Lutheran Church. He married Lydia Kline, born in 1823, died in 1888, and they had eleven children, of whom ten attained maturity: Samuel, of Penn township; Sarah, married Daniel Shade; Amelia, married Levi Reber; Daniel; Kate; Catherine, married Frank Hollenbach; John K.; Franklin; Matilda, married Alvin Rehn; Allen K., a missionary of the Reformed Church in Japan.

John K., son of Jacob and Lydia Kline) Faust, was born in Lower Heidelberg township, Berks county, January 16, 1859. He followed farming until 1888 when he came to Reading and engaged in the paving and cement business, and is now one of the largest contractors in cement and flagstone paving in the City of Reading. He is a Democrat and has served as a member of the school board. Mr. Faust married, in 1882, Harriet, a daughter of John and Anna (Moyer) Hassler, and they have had children: Charles Floyd, deceased; Howard Calvin, a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College, married Elenora Brossman, of Reading.

Daniel Faust lived on a farm of 124 acres in Albany township, where Thomas Hemmerle is now located. He married ——— Reinhard, and had children: Charles, of further mention; Benjamin, lived in Ohio.

Charles, son of Daniel Faust, lived on

the homestead for some years, then owned and lived on the farm now the property of Isaac Deishler, near Steinsville. He was a Republican, then affiliated with the Democratic party. He served as a school director for some years, and was a member of the New Bethel Reformed church. He married Mary Ann Zettlemoyer, and had children: Sarah, who married Eli Fetherolf; Mary, married Lewis Oswald; Lydia, married Isaac Smith; Amandus; Malinda, married John H. Hunsicker; Janette, married Samuel Loy, and lives in South Dakota, where she went in 1880; Albert C.; Ella, unmarried; James; Cordelia, married Isaac Deisher.

Albert C., son of Charles and Mary Ann (Zettlemoyer) Faust, was born in Albany township, in 1857. He engaged in farming on the place which he now occupies in 1892. He has 170 acres of land there, seventy being woodland. The fine large barn on the place was erected by Mr. Faust in 1898, while the present brick residence was put up by Michael Pfeify. Mr. Faust is a Democrat, and a member of the New Bethel Reformed church, in which he has served as deacon. He married, in 1879, Malinda, daughter of Joseph and Polly (Lutz) Sechler, and has had children: Sevilla, married William Jones; Charles; Albert; Lena, died at the age of eight years; Mabel, married Robert D. Kline; Arthur; Queen.

Henry Faust, who was born in Albany township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, was the son of Sebastian or John Faust, brothers, who landed at Philadelphia at an early period of Penn's emigration from the Palatinate. He served in the Revolutionary War as before mentioned. He married Catherine —, and died April 14, 1795, leaving a widow and eight children to survive him.

John Philip, eldest son of Henry and Catherine Faust, obtained his father's farm by appraisement, which was calculated in pounds, shillings, and pence. He built a stone mansion, which was standing until recent years. He purchased various other parcels of land, one of them being what is now bounded by Third, Pine, and Walnut streets, to Howertown Road, while about eleven acres were sold to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company to build their dam and canal. John Philip Faust died, July 12, 1832. He married Barbara —, who died at the home of her daughter, October 4, 1842. They had children: Jonas, of further mention; Elizabeth, who married — Knauss.

Jonas, eldest son of John Philip and Barbara Faust, accepted his father's land at an appraisement of fifty-five dollars per acre, and died the following year. His widow married

(second) Henry Breisch. Mr. and Mrs. Faust had children: Paul, of further mention; Joseph, of further mention; Reuben, of Catasauqua; David, president of the Union National Bank of Philadelphia; William, lately deceased, was of Allentown; Elizabeth, married — Laub, of Kreidersville; Maria, married — Koch, of Allentown.

Paul, son of Jonas Faust, was born about 1810. January 24, 1834, he accepted the paternal land at an appraisement of fifty dollars per acre. Prior to 1860 he had sold a lot to the Catholic Church, and several others which enabled him to meet the heavy responsibilities he had assumed at the death of his father. The rapid extension of the town northward increased the value of his property, his land, prior to the panic of 1873, being valued at \$75,000.

Mr. Faust married, January 6, 1835, Amelia, born in Longswamp township, Berks county, September 7, 1816, a daughter of George and Polly (Wetzell) Breinig, who had nine daughters and three sons. Children: Amy, who married — Borger, of Peru, Illinois; Walter, who lives on the homestead; Jane, married — Koehler, of Easton; Alice, and Clara B.

Joseph Faust, son of Jonas, was born May 11, 1811, and died in South Whitehall township, where he was a farmer, Jan. 5, 1885. He was married to Elizabeth Miller, of Catasauqua. She died on Jan. 24, 1900, aged 86 years, 5 months, and 27 days. Both are buried on the Faust family plot on Union cemetery, Allentown. They had an only son, Henry J., whose history follows:

Henry J. Faust was born in South Whitehall township, Berks county, July 12, 1842; received his early education in the public schools near his home, and completed it in an institution of a higher standard in New Jersey. He was a farmer many years, and was then a merchant in Allentown for six years, and died there, April 13, 1900. He was a member of the Salem Reformed church, and was superintendent and church official of the Cedarville Sunday school. He married Annie M., born August 7, 1840, died Aug. 2, 1894, a daughter of Joseph and Ann (Wetherhold) Kline. They had children: Elmer J., of further mention; Annie E., married William Krauter, of Philadelphia.

ELMER J. FAUST, only son of Henry J. and Annie M. (Kline) Faust, was born in Lehigh county, Pa., March 22, 1863. He learned the jeweler's trade in Philadelphia, where he lived four years, and in 1886, located at No. 728 Hamilton street, Allentown, where he established himself in business as a jeweler, and now conducts the most extensive business of its





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kind in the city. He was one of the first opticians in the city, and now enjoys the largest trade in the eastern part of Pennsylvania. He possesses a complete lens-grinding plant and has ten employees. In political matters he is a Republican, and served one term as councilman from the Eleventh ward. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge No. 561, Free and Accepted Masons; Allen Commandery, Knights Templar; Allen Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Allen Council, Royal and Select Masters; Rajah Temple, No. 23, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Reading. He and his family are members of Salem Reformed church. Mr. Faust married, June 4, 1905, Anna R. Guldner, born in Stark county, Ohio. She is a daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Brovout) Guldner, of Northampton, Pennsylvania, the latter also born in Stark county. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Faust are: Paul G., Henry J., Anna E., and Louise M.

#### FEGLEY FAMILY.

Bernhard Fegley, the American progenitor of this family, came to this country from Switzerland, and made his first settlement near East Greenville, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. He then removed to Longswamp township, Berks county, where he had numerous descendants, and died in 1782. Among his children were: Bernhard and Peter, of further mention.

Peter, son of Bernhard Fegley, married Elizabeth Low, and had fifteen children, among then being: Henry, George and Peter.

Peter, son of Peter and Elizabeth (Low) Fegley, was born August 14, 1815, resided in Douglas township, and died Feb. 23, 1905. He had thirteen children.

In 1790, among the heads of families in Longswamp township, were Christian Fegley, who had two sons over sixteen years of age, and five under sixteen years of age, and two daughters; Peter Fegley, who had two sons under sixteen years of age, and two daughters; Henry Fegley, who had one son over sixteen years and three under sixteen years of age, and five daughters. In 1790 there were in Berks county, George, Nicholas, Melchior, and Peter Fegley, as heads of families.

George, probably a son of Bernhard Fegley, the pioneer ancestor, was in Douglas township at an early date.

David, son of George Fegley, married a Miss Fox, and had children: Jonas; John; Daniel, of further mention; and perhaps there were other children.

Daniel G. Fegley, son of David & — (Fox) Fegley, died in October, 1849, at an ad-

vanced age. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and was buried at Boyertown, at which place he carried on the shoemaking trade. He also had a small farm which he cultivated, and in addition dealt in cattle. On his land he mined much iron ore. Robert M. Lewis, an iron-master, later purchased his property. In politics he was an old line Whig. He was married to Sarah Leaser. Issue: Dr. Orlando L.; Dr. William L.; Robert M., who died, aged four years; and one son and two daughters, who died in infancy.

Dr. William L. Fegley is a retired druggist and dentist of Allentown. He was born June 14, 1844, at Boyertown, Pa., and was educated in the schools of that borough. He read medicine and learned the dentist trade with Dr. Joseph H. Borneman, with whom he was later associated in business for about twelve years. Late in 1867 he associated himself with J. G. Fritz, at Lebanon, Pa., and there they carried on dentistry until May 1, 1870, when Mr. Fegley settled himself permanently in Allentown, and connected himself with his brother, Dr. Orlando L., who had settled in Allentown, Nov. 7, 1867. They had offices at the corner of Front and Allen streets and there they also carried on a drug store for a period of forty-four years, lacking but five months. The store was closed on July 11, 1912. It was conducted under the name of Dr. Fegley Bros. The same firm likewise conducts a store at Sixth and Allen streets, since 1909. During 1910 and 1911, Dr. Fegley built a large and handsome residence at the southwest corner of Sixteenth and Linden streets, and there he and the family of his late brother, Dr. Orlando L., reside, enjoying now the comforts of a long and successful business career.

Dr. Orlando Leaser Fegley, son of Daniel and Sarah (Leaser) Fegley, was born at Boyertown, Berks county, in 1841, and died at Allentown, Lehigh county, March 10, 1900. After being graduated from the public schools he taught school for a time, then became a student at Gettysburg College. He was at this institution at the outbreak of the Civil War, and enlisted in a company which was formed and organized by the president of the college. During the progress of the war, Dr. Fegley was taken prisoner by the Confederates.

Upon his release and return to the North he was graduated from the college. He then entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, and after being graduated, located in Allentown, where he acquired a large and lucrative practice. In association with Dr. J. H. Borneman, he opened and conducted

a drug store, the name of the firm being Borne-man & Fegley. Later he purchased the interests of his partner, and associated with himself as a partner his brother, Dr. William L. Fegley, the business being carried on under the style of Dr. Fegley and Bro., until his death. The firm became the owners of a large amount of real estate, among their property being the West End Hotel. Dr. Fegley was the first surgeon of the Allentown hospital, and was a member of the various county and state medical societies. He gave his political support to the Republican party, and was a member of the Allentown Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

Dr. Fegley married Annie E., born July 4, 1850, died February 23, 1901, a daughter of Frederick Stauffer, of Boyertown. They had children: 1. Frederick, married Sadie Willebecker, and had: Harriet E. 2. John Stauffer, of further mention. 3. Florence A., attended the public and high school of Allentown, the National Park Seminary, and finally the College of Pharmacy, in Philadelphia, from which she was graduated in 1901 with the degree of Doctor of Pharmacy, and now resides in Allentown. 4. Orlando, died young. 5, and 6. Sarah I., and Laura, educated in the public and high schools and the National Park Seminary. 7. Bertha, educated in the Allentown public schools and the Allentown College for Women. 8. Daniel G., now a student at the College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia.

John Stauffer Fegley, was born in Allentown, January 4, 1878. He was educated in the schools of Allentown and the Muhlenberg College, from which he was graduated in 1898 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and then took a course in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, being graduated in 1901. Returning to Allentown he became the manager of Fegley Brothers' drug store, and has continued in this position up to the present time. In 1908 the firm erected a three-story brick building for the conduct of their business at the corner of Sixth and Allen streets. Mr. Fegley affiliates with the Republican party, is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, and of the State Pharmaceutical Association.

(1) Philip Franklin Fegley, a descendant of Bernhard Fegley, the pioneer ancestor, was born in Longswamp township, and was by trade a carpenter. Later he became a farmer near Mertztown, and finally located at Macungie, where he cultivated the Fritz farm. He died at the age of forty-nine years, and was buried at Mertztown. Mr. Fegley married Louisa, a daughter of Casper Brensinger, and had: Nathan, western superintendent of the Modern Bag Company, Kansas City, Missouri; Alvin Cas-

per, foreman for the Modern Bag Company at Vulcanite, New Jersey; Frederick William; Morris Franklin; Leland, a core maker at Emaus; John Philip, a machinist for the Modern Bag Company, at Allentown; Paul, with the M. S. Young Company; Kate, married Granville Peters; Ella, married Oscar Wanamaker, of Vulcanite, New Jersey; Florence, married Clarence Nagle.

James Fegley, a descendant of Bernhard Fegley, the immigrant ancestor, was born at Bowers, Pa. For a time he was engaged in the hotel business at Wanamakers, then was employed in the iron industry at Reading, where his death occurred in 1881. He had a brother, Isaac, who had children: Mrs. (Ida) Wesley Marks, Mrs. (Alice) Jeremiah Christ, and Harry C., of Perth Amboy, New Jersey. James Fegley married Susan H. Liebensperger, and had: Irwin McD., deceased; Annie V., married John Scully; James D., of further mention; Minnie R.; Catherine S.; Mary E., married Joseph Mowrer; George C.; Alfred.

James D., son of James and Susan H. (Liebensperger) Fegley, was born at Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., Nov. 13, 1870. His preliminary education was acquired in the public schools, and supplemented by a course of technical instruction with the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pa. He then became a laborer in the employ of Coffrode & Saylor Company, of Pottstown, Pa., remaining with this corporation twelve years in order to gain a thorough and practical knowledge of all the details connected with structural iron work. He was rapidly advanced to the position of foreman, then superintendent of construction, and later formed a connection with the Phoenix Bridge Works, and the McClintic-Marshall Construction Company, of Pottstown. The latter company became the successor to the Philadelphia Bridge Works. In 1907 Mr. Fegley located at Allentown, and two years later formed a business partnership with Thomas W. Moore, in iron construction, the firm name being Fegley and Moore. They have executed numerous important contracts, among them being: Steel breakers, at Parsons, Pa., and at Buck mountain; also at Mahanoy City, for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company; the H. Leh & Company building, in Allentown in 1912; steel work in the Arbogast & Bastian Abbatoir building; steel work of the Strauss Warehouse and the Neuweiler Brewery, in 1911 and 1912; E. P. Wilbur Trust Company building, South Bethlehem; Wilkes-Barre high school and Stegmaier brewery, at Wilkes-Barre. Mr. Fegley and his family are members of the Lutheran Church, and he is a member of



Naval Lodge, No. 69, Free and Accepted Masons. He married, Dec. 22, 1912, Permia A., a daughter of Levi Beidler, and has one child: Caroline E.

Christian Fegley, a descendant of the American progenitor, Bernhard Fegley, was born in Longswamp township, where he was a farmer, removed to Mertztown, where he was the first to be interred in the cemetery there. He married Catherine Fisher, and had: John; George; Henry; John Peter, of further mention; Maricha, married Israel Fegley; Leah, married Samuel Herman; Elizabeth, married Jonathan Breibauer; Anna, married Benjamin Howerter.

John Peter, son of Christian and Catherine (Fisher) Fegley, was born in 1807, died in 1887, and was buried at Mertztown. He was a farmer on the homestead in Longswamp, the place now being owned by Samuel Biery. He was a Lutheran. Mr. Fegley married Rachel, a daughter of Jonathan Diener, and they had: Florinda; Mary A., died at the age of eleven years; Catherine; Felina, married Samuel Reinert; Elizabeth, married Uriah Biery; Carolina, died young; Sarah A. and Menno, died in 1864; Isaac; Christian D., of further mention; Charles A.; John D.; Alfred, and Levi, died young.

Christian D. was born in Longswamp township, June 10, 1843. At the age of twenty-three years he commenced his business career, serving as clerk in general stores in Shamrock, Cementon, Kutztown, and others in the vicinity. In 1907 he located in Allentown and there engaged in the manufacture of oil and soap at No. 603 North Seventh street. Democratic in political matters; he affiliates with the Lutheran Church, and is a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Pythias. He married Jane A., a daughter of Solomon and Maria (Hoch) Steininger, and have: Mary F.; and Gertrude E., who married Preston Everett, and they have one son: John Preston.

George Fegley, a descendant of the pioneer Bernhard Fegley, was born in Longswamp township, died, and was buried at Mertztown. He was a farmer in comfortable circumstances, and a member, and for many years an elder, of the Mertztown Lutheran church. He married — Lichtenwalner, of Lehigh county, and had: Benneville, of further mention; Marcus; Willoughby; Mary; Matilda; Kate.

Benneville, son of George and — (Lichtenwalner) Fegley, was born in Longswamp township, and died there at the age of fifty-seven years. He was buried at Mertztown Union church. He was the owner of a fine farm of one hundred and twenty acres near Mertztown and was occupied with its cultivation all his life. He

was a member of the Lutheran Church, a Democrat, and for a period of twelve years served as school director. Mr. Fegley married Catherine, a daughter of Nathan Kistler, of Kistler Valley, Lehigh county. Children: Nathan K.; Mantana; Levi; Martha; Alvin K.; Annie; Ellen, deceased; Mamie; Meda; Edwin.

Stephen Fegley, a descendant of Bernhard Fegley, the immigrant ancestor, was a farmer of New Hanover, Montgomery county.

Rev. Henry N. Fegley, son of Stephen Fegley, was born at Falkner Swamp, near Hanover, Pa. After acquiring an excellent preparatory education, he became a student at the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, then studied at the Lutheran Seminary, and was ordained a minister. He received a call to Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa., to St. Mark's church, and this has been his first and only charge. He has now been preaching there without interruption for the past forty-two years. Rev. Mr. Fegley married Linnie E., a daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth (Tumbler) Reichard, and has had children: Charles Krauth, of further mention; Edith Elizabeth, who was graduated from Irving College, and is now a teacher at Mechanicsburg.

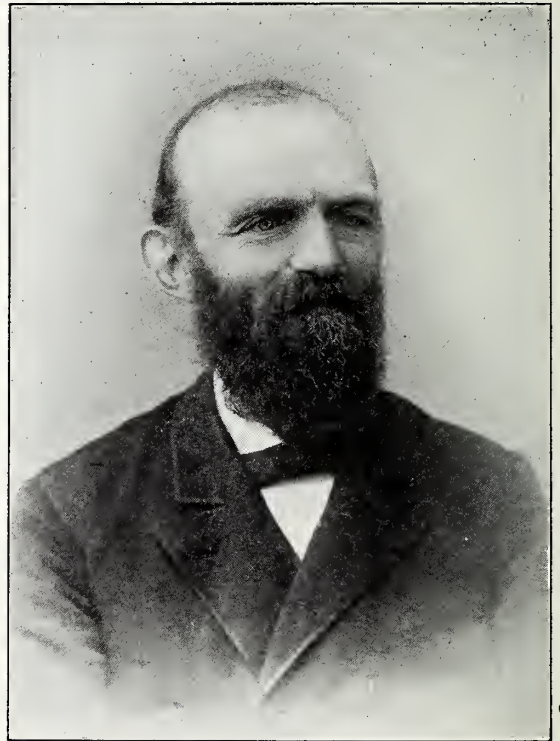
Rev. Charles Krauth Fegley, son of Rev. Henry N. and Linnie E. (Reichard) Fegley, was born at Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pennsylvania, September 17, 1877. He attended the public schools of his native town, then the preparatory school at Carlisle, now known as Conway Hall. Having matriculated at Muhlenberg College in 1896, he was graduated from that institution in 1900, then went to the Lutheran Theological Seminary, at Mount Airy, and was graduated in 1903. He was ordained a minister by the Pennsylvania Ministerium in the same year, and his first charge was the Emanuel Lutheran church, at Allegheny, where he remained two years. In 1905 he took charge of Holy Communion church, in Harrisburg, Pa., and in May, 1910, became field missionary of the English Home Mission Board of the General Council of the Lutheran Church. He re-organized the work of Palm church, Palmyra, and organized the Holy Trinity church, at Hershey; the Zion church, at Nesquehoning; Holy Trinity church, at Palmerton, Pa.; and St. James' Lutheran church, at Allentown. He is now in charge of the last mentioned church, and the congregation has increased rapidly in size. He is a member of several Greek letter fraternities. Rev. Fegley married, June 6, 1912, Ellen M., a daughter of John L. and Kate (Foose) Cressman, and they have one child: Ellen Margaret, born June 30, 1913.

Nicholas Fegley lived in Colebrookdale township, Berks county, near Boyertown, Pa. He was a descendant of Bernhard Fegley, who first settled in Montgomery county and later removed to Longswamp township. His wife was Miss Gearhardt. They had the following children: Daniel G.; Samuel, unmarried, who lived about Boyertown; John, who lived at Boyertown, and was the father of Rev. H. S. Fegley; Elizabeth, who married, (first) Mr. Bupp, and (second) Jacob Strunk; Esther, married Haney Eshbach, and Mrs. Zimmerman. They lived in Union county, Pa.

John Fegley, a descendant of Bernhard Fegley, the immigrant ancestor, was a farmer at Boyertown, Berks county, and there married Maria Swinehart.

REV. HENRY S. FEGLEY, son of John and Maria (Swinehart) Fegley, was born at Boyertown, Sept. 15, 1843, and spent his early years on the homestead. During the summer months he assisted his father in the cultivation of the farm, and during the winter attended school at Boyertown. From his earliest years he was of a decidedly studious nature, and after he had attended Boyertown Academy, commenced teaching school. He continued in this occupation for some years, in the meantime continuing his studies with a view of entering the ministry. He took private lessons under Revs. Wendt and Schaeffer, then matriculated at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, in Philadelphia. At the same time he taught in the Germantown Orphans' Home. He was graduated May 19, 1869, and ordained to the ministry at Reading, Pa., May 26, of the same year. He received a call to become the pastor of the extensive parish of Lynnville, and took charge June 13, 1869. This consisted of Ebenezer church, New Tripoli; Jacob's church, Jacksonville; St. Peter's church, Lynnville; St. Paul's church, Seiberlingsville; and Jerusalem church, in Albany township. This was the first and only parish of Rev. Fegley, and he ministered there faithfully until his death, January 30, 1906. As a pastor, he knew his flock, gained their confidence, and was loved and esteemed by them. As a teacher, he neither spared time nor effort to thoroughly indoctrinate his catechumens in the word and the teachings of the Church. As a preacher, he knew how to deliver the word of God effectively. He knew his Bible and his sermons were scriptural throughout. He did not defile the pulpit with secular themes, in that he was ever deeply conscious of the awful and sacred responsibility of the minister who was called of the Lord to feed the lambs and sheep in the green pasture of God's Word. During his pastorate he had the pleasure of seeing eleven of his young

men enter the ministry. He marked the advance in mode of life, education, and church activity, and liberality among the people of his parish. Many improvements were made in the churches in which he preached. He was of a somewhat retiring disposition, but this did not prevent him from taking an active interest in the Church work at large. Rev. Fegley married, September 5, 1871, Alice J., who died October 2, 1898, a daughter of Ephraim Long, and they had one daughter: Annie M., who married Rev. A. O. Ebert. While Rev. Fegley had not been in good health for some time, he had continued to minister to the needs of his people, and the end came



REV. HENRY S. FEGLEY.

unexpectedly. *The Morning Call*, the leading paper of the county, published at Allentown, in an article on his death, made in part the following comment: "The deceased was greatly esteemed by his congregations, and his sudden demise is a severe shock to his many friends. He was an able pulpit orator, and during these long years of his pastorate he studied continually and kept abreast with the times. He was a very pleasant man to meet socially and was ever ready to guide the young who needed his help. He was exceptionally successful in his long pastorate in the one charge. When one meets his people in the various congregations he served there was al-



ways the highest respect shown and the kindest words spoken for him. He lived the life of a good pastor and friend."

FREDERICK WILLIAM FEGLEY, son of Philip Franklin and Louisa (Brensinger) Fegley, was born December 26, 1881, in Longswamp township. He was reared on the farm and educated in the public schools and later graduated at the high school of his native place. He then entered the employ of William Schubert and Menno Fegley as clerk in their general store at Longswamp, continuing there for four years. He then entered the employ of C. A. Fegley as clerk in his general store, remaining two years. He then became interested in the Modern Bag Co., an enterprise conducted by his brother, Nathan, which he established in 1899, at Allentown. He resided for a period in Chicago, at St. Louis, and later at Vulcanite, N. J., where he operated the company's machines. In 1906 he located at Allentown, where he is superintendent and paymaster of the Modern Bag Company.

This company first engaged in the bag cleaning business, also manufactured and leased machines to cement companies throughout the United States. Later they invented and patented a machine to fill and weigh bags of cement, plaster, etc. These machines are never sold only leased and the company's own men operate them.

He is a member of Bargar Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; I. O. O. F.; Modern Woodmen of America, and of St. Peter's Reformed church. In politics he is a Republican.

Frederick W. Fegley married Jennie E. Nuss, daughter of Charles and Diana (Fullweiler) Nuss. Issue: Erma L.; Anna May; Mildred.

#### SOLOMON FEHNEL.

Solomon Fehnel was born April 16, 1859, at Klecknersville, in Moore township, Northampton county. He was educated in the public schools and engaged at farming until he was 27 years of age. Then he secured employment with the Bethlehem Steel Company, where he was engaged as a fireman until promoted to engineer, which position he filled upward of five years. He next served as engineer of the Bethlehem Electrical Company for upwards of seven years; Lehigh Valley Transit Company for one year; Atlas Cement Company, at Northampton for nearly twelve years; Allentown Flint Bottle Works for one year; and since 1911 with Arbogast & Bastian as engineer of the refrigerating department.

Mr. Fehnel is a member of the American Order of Steam Engineers; of Knights of the Golden Eagle; and of the Lutheran Church. He married Alice Koehler, daughter of John and Mary (Williams) Koehler, of Moorestown, where she

was educated and reared. They have four children: Wilson, m. Ella Butz; Percival, m. Maria Grubb; Mabel, m. Edward Moyer; and Flossie, m. Ellsworth Patrick. They reside at No. 445 Tilghman street, Allentown.

Jacob Fehnel, his father, was born at Klecknersville in 1821, brought up on a farm and followed farming in an extensive manner on a large tract until his decease in 1900. He was married to Susan Shaffer, daughter of Theobald and Susan (Frankenfield) Schaffer. She died in 1898, aged 71 years. They had seven children: Peter; Gideon; Jacob; Solomon; John; Hannah, wife of Clinton Santee; and Cyrus.

The grandfather was also named Jacob, and followed farming at Klecknersville.

Mr. Fehnel founded the "Fehnel Family Reunion" at Moorestown, where the first meeting was held Aug. 12, 1911. He was selected as president of the association, and has since filled this position.

#### PERCIVAL J. FEHNEL.

Percival J. Fehnel, a machinist, residing at 1114 Chew street, Allentown, was born Dec. 24, 1882, son of Solomon and Alice S. (Kæbler) Fehnel, who has followed farming and the engineering trade for thirty years. They have these children: Wilson E.; Percival J.; Mabel, married to Edward Moyer; and Flossie, married to Ellsworth Patrick.

The subject of this record was educated in the public and high schools of Allentown. Afterwards he was employed as machinist with the Bethlehem Steel Company; Atlas Cement Company; Lehigh Portland Cement Company; Mack Motor Car Company; and for past several years has been connected with the Universal Auto Company, at Allentown.

He married Maria A. Grubb and they have two children: Percival J., and Beatrice A.

#### FEHR FAMILY.

Jacob Fehr, a native of the Rheinisch Palatinate, emigrated to America on the ship Jamaica, which landed at Philadelphia, Feb. 7, 1739. He located in Lower Saucon township, in what is now Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He had a small farm and was a weaver. He is buried at the old Williams township Union church, of which he was a Lutheran member. His children were: Jacob and John, who lived in Forest township, Northampton county. He was a farmer and among his children was a son, Michael.

Jacob Fehr, son of Jacob, was born in 1741. He had his father's homestead and was a weaver. He was a Lutheran member of the Williams township church and died in old age. Elizabeth

Beischlein, his wife, came from a family who moved beyond Hazleton into the Butler Valley. Their children were: (1). Jacob, who died aged forty years. (2). Conrad, a weaver, who lived near Williams township church. (3). John, who lived at Nockamixon, Bucks county, and was a well-digger and pump-maker. (4). Eva, married Jacob Strauss, and lived in the Mahoning Valley, near Summit Hill. She died during the seventies, aged 105 years. (5). Margaret, married David Lambert, a farmer in Williams township. (6). Sarah, the wife of Jacob Wotring, lived in Williams township, near Easton. (7). Mrs. Lerch, who settled and died in Armstrong county. (8). Mrs. Wyandt, who also settled and died in Armstrong county. (9). Michael, a farmer in Lower Saucon township. (10). Abraham.

Abraham Fehr was born on the original homestead of the family, July 12, 1788. He was a weaver and farmer. In 1813 he built a house on his premises in which his nineteen children were born. He served his township as supervisor some years. In the year 1842, under the preachings of Reverends Danner, Dotterer and Joseph Saylor, ministers of the Evangelical Association, he was converted, being active in that Church until his death, July 23, 1868, in his eightieth year. He is buried at Springtown, Bucks county, on the Evangelical cemetery.

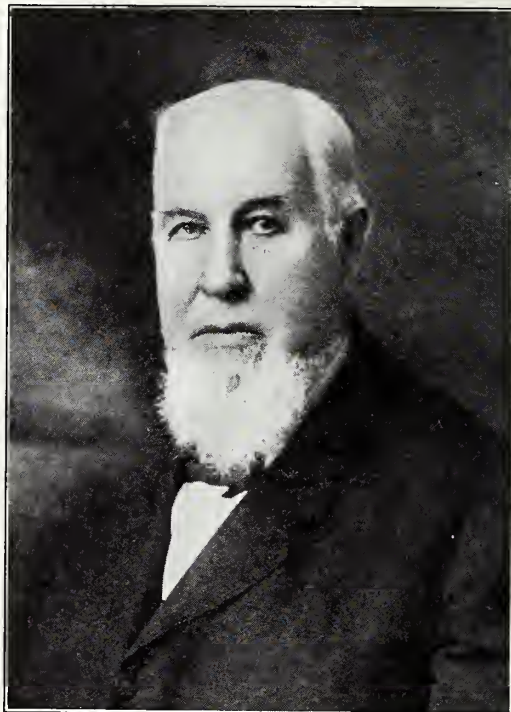
His first marriage was on May 31, 1814, with Mary Kline, by whom he had eight children, two dying in childhood. The others were: Lydia, married Samuel Schloyer; Thomas, married Hettie Reichard; Solomon, married Christiana Woodring; Abraham, married Sarah Young; David, married Lucy Ann Mantz; Margaret, married Jacob Steinmetz. All of the above family are deceased except Lucy Ann Mantz, who is very old.

Abraham Fehr married, second, Oct. 19, 1828, Catharine, daughter of John Jacob and Catharine (Mohr) Koch, of German parentage. This wife died June 27, 1861, aged sixty-two years, three months and ten days, and is buried at Springtown. Their eleven children follow:

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Born.</i>	<i>Died.</i>
Jacob, .....	Oct. 19, 1828	Nov. 12, 1832
Sarah Ann, .....	Sept. 5, 1831	Aug. 28, 1906
Eliza, .....	Jan. 31, 1833	Oct. 14, 1834
Levi, .....	Feb. 2, 1834	Jan. 6, 1887
Julian, .....	Feb. 16, 1835	July 10, 1906
Jacob, .....	Mar. 15, 1836	Living
Catharine, .....	Aug. 31, 1837	July 11, 1845
Charles K., .....	Jan. 13, 1839	Living
Francis L., .....	Sept. 5, 1840	Living
Jeremiah, .....	Nov. 16, 1842	Living
Joseph, .....	Mar. 19, 1844	Living

Sarah Ann was the wife of Anthony Esterly.

REV. CHARLES K. FEHR, an aged Evangelical minister, of Allentown, was born Jan. 13, 1839. He was reared upon the farm and followed farming until twenty-one years old, then was called to the ministry of the Evangelical Church in 1861. His first charge was on the Northampton circuit, which comprised Bath, Nazareth, Bushkill, Bangor, Roxburg and Millers' churches. In 1862, he was appointed on the Lehigh circuit, which embraced Catasauqua, Emaus, Schnecksville, Cedarville, Wescoesville, Texas, and others. In 1863, he was appointed on the Womelsdorf circuit, in Berks county, comprising Womelsdorf, Bernville, and Center-



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port. In 1865, he was appointed to the Fairville circuit, which in 1866 was changed to the Brownstown circuit. In 1867, he was appointed to the Milford circuit, and lived at Old Zionsville, which comprised Milford, Hosensack, Greenville, New Berlinville and others. In 1869, he was appointed to Terra Hill station, in Lancaster county, which formerly was called Fairville circuit. In 1871, he was appointed to Harrisburg Mission, and in 1873 to Lebanon station. The following year he was elected presiding elder and stationed on Harrisburg district.



East Pennsylvania Conference. In 1878, he was re-elected and placed on Allentown district; and in 1882 he was re-elected and placed again for two years on Harrisburg district, after which he was stationed on the Philadelphia district. In 1886, he was re-elected and placed on Philadelphia district two years; and on Pottstown district one year, when he resigned. In 1888, he was elected superintendent of the Ebenezer Orphans' Home, located at Flat Rock, Seneca county, Ohio. In 1891, he was again appointed to Terra Hill station. In 1894, he was stationed at Catasauqua station. In 1897, he was appointed to the Coplay Mission. In 1898, he had Lehigh circuit. In 1900, he was placed at South Bethlehem Mission. In 1903, he was assigned on the Cherryville circuit. In 1904, on the Weissport and Lehighon circuit. In 1905-6, he served the Parryville circuit, after which he took superannuated relation until the present time. Rev. Fehr, in 1869, had a great revival at Terra Hill, when fifty new-born souls were added to the church. At Brownstown, in the same year, he likewise had a great revival. In appearance he is tall, massive, and robust. He had a strong, well modulated and pleasing voice. He was an orator, and made a fine and dignified appearance upon the pulpit. In the eventide of his life, Reverend Father Fehr has the friendship of many people both in and out of the church.

He was married, Feb. 21, 1863, to Annie S. Stahl, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Stauffer) Stahl, of Milford township. She died Jan. 21, 1912, aged seventy-one years and five months. She is buried on the family plot on Greenwood cemetery. Their children follow: 1. Professor Charles D., an instructor at State College, since 1906. His wife is Emily Benner. Their children are: Leroy and Carl. 2. Emma C., married Rev. G. Berstecher, assistant editor of the *Christliche Botschafter*, published at Cleveland, Ohio. 3. Dr. Howard A., mentioned later. Carrie May, the wife of Prof. Robert R. Fritsch, of Muhlenberg College, Allentown.

DR. HOWARD A. FEHR, Allentown, was born at Terra Hill, Lancaster county, Pa., Aug. 17, 1869. He was educated in the public schools, graduated from the Allentown Business College in 1886, and accepted a position for about one year with a furniture house in Allentown. In January, 1888, he entered Dickinson Theological Seminary, as a sophomore, graduating in 1890. After this time, at the urgent call of the Evangelical Association he went to Flat Rock, Ohio, where he graded the Orphanage School, of that Church, and taught in that institution with marked success for a year. At the end of this time he entered Hahnemann Medical College,

Philadelphia, graduating in 1894. He then located at Allentown, where he built up a lucrative practice. He resides at the southeast corner of Ninth and Turner streets. He was elected, as a Republican, to the office of school director, representing the Fourth ward.

Dr. Fehr is a member of the Lehigh Medical Society and the State Homeopathic Medical Society. In the county society he served all the offices except treasurer, which he now holds.

He and family worship in Bethany United Evangelical church, which he served on the official board, and also as Sunday school superintendent.

He married, in 1896, Elizabeth M. Holbach, daughter of Charles and Isabella (Marks) Holbach, of Catasauqua. They had two sons: Paul H., who died in infancy; and George C.

#### FEHR FAMILY.

Fehr, originally spelled Feer, is an old German and Swiss name, the name of John Fehr occurring in ancient records in Switzerland as early as 1187. Jacob Fehr, a native of the Palatinate, was born in 1704, and emigrated to America in the ship Jamaica, arriving in Philadelphia, Feb. 7, 1739. He settled in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, near the Williams township line, where he pursued the occupations of a farmer and weaver. He died at an advanced age and was buried at the Williams township church, of which he was a member of the Lutheran branch. He had two sons: Jacob and John.

John Fehr, son of John, was born April 15, 1752, and died Jan. 24, 1839. He settled in that part of Plainfield township, now Bushkill township, where he was a prominent farmer. His wife, Eva Bowman, was born Feb. 10, 1757, and died Oct. 4, 1853, aged 96 years. His son, Michael Fehr, was born April 8, 1797, and died April 6, 1865. His wife, Elizabeth, was born Aug. 15, 1795, and died Jan. 13, 1878. Their son, Michael M. Fehr, was born in Bushkill township in 1829. He received a common school education and at the age of sixteen began learning the trade of a gunsmith, in which occupation he was engaged for 45 years, having, in later years, a small factory in Bushkill township, where he employed several men in manufacturing certain parts of guns, which he sold to the Henry Gun Works. He served in the Civil War an enlistment in the 202d Pennsylvania Volunteer Regiment. He died in 1889, and was buried at Schoeneck. Mr. Fehr married Anna Caroline, daughter of John A. and Elizabeth (Haney) Edmonds. They had five children: Robert and Anson, deceased; Catharine, who married J. H.

Stofflet, of Stroudsburg; Alonzo, of South Norwalk, Conn.; and Harrison R.

HARRISON R. FEHR was born near Nazareth, Northampton county, March 20, 1863, and was educated in the Moravian schools at that place. He taught in the public schools from 1880 to 1883, when he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company as a rodman in the civil engineering department, and in 1886 was promoted as transit-man in charge of the Lehigh Division, from Mauch Chunk to Easton, and in 1889 became assistant engineer in charge of that division, reporting directly to the chief engineer. His work embraced relocation of tracks, right of way surveys, maintenance of way work, construction of branch roads and the line by contract through the city of Allentown. In this year, he was also construction engineer of a system of water works for Lehigh, and prepared plans and specifications for gravity supply and storage reservoirs. In the spring of 1890 he made surveys and designed a system of water works for Annville and Palmyra. From May, 1890, to October, 1891, he was in the employ of the bridge department of the Lehigh Valley road as engineer in charge of the New Jersey, Lehigh and Wyoming divisions and coal branch roads. From October, 1891, to September, 1899, he was city engineer and commissioner of highways of the city of Easton. During a portion of this time he also acted as engineer for the Easton Board of Trade and the boroughs of South Easton and Pen Argyl, and designed and built a storage reservoir and three miles of water mains for the Stroudsburg Water Company. From 1899 to January, 1901, he was engineer for the Easton Transit Company, and from the latter date to September, 1902, was chief engineer of the Trenton & New Brunswick Railroad Company. From September, 1902, to May, 1904, he was a consulting and contracting engineer.

In May, 1904, Mr. Fehr became general manager, and in 1906 also president of the Easton Transit Company, operating about 54 miles of electric street railway in Easton, Bethlehem, South Bethlehem and Nazareth, Pa., and Phillipsburg, N. J., which office he filled until October, 1913, when he removed to Allentown, and became president and general manager of the Lehigh Valley Transit and affiliated companies, which operates 220 miles of electric railway from Phillipsburg, N. J., to Slatington, Pa., and south to Philadelphia, and also distributes electric light and power through the Lehigh Valley and as far south as North Wales.

Mr. Fehr is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and is a past president of the Pennsylvania Street Railway Association.

He is a member of Dallas Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; Easton Chapter, No. 173, R. A. M.; Pomp Council, No. 20, R. & S. M. M.; Hugh DePayens Commandery, No. 19, K. T.; B. P. O. Elks; Royal Arcanum and General Judson Kilpatrick Camp, No. 233, Sons of Veterans, all of Easton; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading; Lehigh Country Club; Country Club of Northampton County; Livingston Club, of Allentown; Pomfret Club, of Easton; Manufacturer's Club, of Philadelphia; and the National Geographic Society.

Mr. Fehr married Miss Achshaw Walter, daughter of William Walter, of Bethlehem township, Northampton county, and had three children, one of whom, Walter Robert, died in infancy. His two sons are Willard Russell, who was educated at the Bethlehem Preparatory School, Lafayette College, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and was engaged in civil engineering until March, 1914, when he became general storekeeper for the Lehigh Valley Transit Company, and who married Margaret Worden, of Harrisburg, Pa.; and Harrison Robert, Jr., who was educated in and graduated from Nazareth Hall and the Bethlehem Preparatory School, and is now attending Lafayette College, where he is pursuing a course in electrical engineering.

Mr. Fehr, through his mother, is a direct descendant and great-great-grandson of William Edmonds, one of the most prominent men in the early history of Northampton county. William Edmonds was born Oct. 24, 1708, at Coleford, in the parish of Newland, hundred of St. Briavel's, Gloucestershire, England, and was baptized in the Anglican Church. He was the only son of William Edmonds, a merchant, by his third wife, Hannah. At the age of ten years he was confirmed by the Bishop of Gloucester. His father gave him a liberal education and he became a noted linguist, having been able to read Latin at the early age of ten years, and German as well as his own vernacular, English. He was apprenticed to a white leather tanner in Monmouth, and in 1736 emigrated to New York, where he continued his trade until 1747. There, in 1741, he became acquainted with the Moravians, attended their meetings, and in 1744 was admitted to their communion.

After the death of his first wife, in 1747, he removed to Bethlehem, and in 1748 made a voyage to Holland and England, in the "Irene," the first transport vessel built by the Moravian Church in America. On his return to Bethlehem he was employed in the tannery and then at the ferry. In 1754 he was appointed storekeeper of the Church store, which position brought him in contact with the Indian chief-



tains that frequently visited the town, and through his personal acquaintance and influence with them, between the years 1756 and 1758, his services were in constant demand on behalf of the Province. In January, 1756, he accompanied Franklin on his journey to the frontiers to erect a chain of forts and in July was one of the commissioners to the Indian Treaty at Easton. In 1754 he was inspector of election for Bethlehem township, and in 1755 he was elected to represent Northampton county in the assembly.

In 1763 he took charge of the store near the Rose Inn, near Nazareth, a building of unhewn logs, thirty feet square, which stood on the Minisink road. On Oct. 26, 1772, he removed the stock and fixtures to the new store building in Nazareth, where he remained until his retirement in 1773, after a service of nearly twenty years in the stores of the Moravian Church. In 1770 he was again elected to the assembly, and re-elected to the sessions of '71, '72, '73 and '74. He was one of the four delegates from Northampton county to the Provincial convention held at Philadelphia on July 15, 1774, and in 1775, was appointed a member of the Committee of Safety of the State, serving from June 30th to October 19th. His advanced age precluded him from participating in the operations of the army, but he gave his time and influence in its behalf, and was a whole-souled patriot. The last eleven years of his life were spent in retirement at Nazareth. He died Sept. 15, 1786, a son, two daughters, and three grandchildren surviving him. He was twice married. His first wife was Rebecca de Beauvoise, of Huguenot ancestry, whom he married in New York in 1739, and by her had four children, who were baptized by Rev. John C. Pyrlaeus. She died in 1747. His second wife, Margaret, daughter of Henry and Eva Anthony, was born in New York in 1721. She married Mr. Edmonds at Bethlehem, March 31, 1755, and died at Nazareth, Feb. 26, 1773.

His son, John Edmonds, was born in New York City, Jan. 27, 1743, and died near Schoeneck, where he is buried, April 2, 1824. His wife, Barbara Edmonds, was born Oct. 9, 1755, and died July 29, 1836. Their son, John Augustus Edmonds, married Elizabeth, daughter of Captain Haney, and had seventeen children, twelve sons, three of whom died in infancy, and five daughters. One of the daughters, Anna Caroline, married Michael M. Fehr.

#### HERMAN J. FELDHEGE.

Herman J. Feldhege, one of the most successful silk manufacturers of the Lehigh Valley, was born May 12, 1875, at Westphalia, in Germany. He received a thorough education in

the schools of his native place and attended St. Albert's College at Vanlos, Holland, the same institution in which Monsignor Peter Masson also was a student. He pursued a special course in the study of textile machinery and emigrated to New York in 1900. After working in silk mills at New York City, Paterson, N. J., South Bethlehem, Pa., and Kingston, Pa., he filled the position of president and manager of the Central Silk Company, of Siegfrieds for four years. In 1912 he organized the Feldhege Silk Company of Egypt which employs 250 hands. In 1913 he started a silk mill at Walnutport which employs 300 hands. During the same year the mill at Siegfrieds and a second mill at Walnutport was started. Mr. Feldhege is the sole owner of the two mills at Walnutport. He understands the manufacturing of silk thoroughly in all its various details and is considered an expert in the same. He is a man of strong personality and business foresight.

He is held in high respect by his hundreds of employees and his association is with the best citizenship of the county. He resides in Allentown. He is a member of the Livingstone Club and B. P. O. E., of Allentown, and the Catasauqua Club.

Mr. Feldhege was married to Dora Palmer, daughter of Frederick and Mary (Heck) Palmer, of Union Hill, N. J., and they have one child, a son named Henry.

Henry Feldhege, his father, was a prominent public official and banker at Westphalia, and also large land-owner and farmer there, having served as mayor of that city for 38 years until his death in 1905, aged 79, and as president of a savings institution for upwards of 20 years. He was married to Bernadine Wessling and they had five children: Ferdinand; Henry, retired army officer; Anna, mother-superior of a hospital; Bernadine, m. Schulze Rieping, reserve army officer, land-owner and farmer; and Herman J.

#### FENSTERMACHER FAMILY.

The name Fenstermacher, as all students of German well know, is derived from a like word in that language signifying "windowmaker." By many members of the family it is spelled "Fenstermaker," and the writer of this sketch has heard of at least one instance where the still more anglicized form "Glazier" was adopted. In one of the early Berks county tax lists, the clerk who copied the record, perhaps in a spirit of humor, wrote the name "Windowmaker."

The Fenstermacher family with which we are most familiar, and whose representatives are quite numerous in this and nearby counties, has its origin in Mathias Fenstermacher, a native of the German Palatinate, who crossed the sea on

the good ship "Glasgow" which landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 9, 1738. On the original list of passengers his age is given as sixty years, and he was therefore born about 1678. He was accompanied to America by his two sons, Jacob, then twenty-nine years of age, and Wilhelm, twenty-five years of age. These three were preceded to the new world by a third son, Philip, who was removed to Alburtis and there carried on a general store business until he died in 1909. Altogether he followed the life of an enterprising, successful merchant for upwards of forty years. a passenger on the good ship, Samuel, and qualified at Philadelphia, Aug. 30, 1737. He was then twenty-four years of age.

There is a tradition that the family first settled in Oley township, Berks county. The first positive record we have, however, is in the Berks county tax list of 1753, where Longswamp township is given as the residence of the father and of his two sons, Jacob and Philip. Concerning the other son, Wilhelm, who accompanied his father to the new world, nothing further is known at this time. The name of Mathias Fenstermacher appears in the early tax lists as late as 1761, at which time he probably died, being then eighty-three years old.

Jacob Fenstermacher, the eldest son of Mathias, was one of the founders of the Longswamp Reformed church. The proprietary return of 1767 shows that he was the owner of one hundred acres of land in that township, and his name appears in the federal census of 1790, indicating that he was then still living. We have no record as to the date of his death and he had no will. He was twice married, his second wife being the Widow Koehler, and we know of at least seven children: (1) William; (2) Anna Maria, b. May 16, 1740 (?), d. May 10, 1801 (wife of Michael Bieber, b. Feb. 11, 1740, d. Oct. 26, 1832); (3) Christian; (4) Joseph; (5) Jacob; (6) Anna Barbara; and (7) Johannes.

Philip Fenstermacher, the youngest son of Mathias, was born Feb. 27, 1713, and was also a member of the Longswamp Reformed church. At an early date he acquired valuable land on which in later years iron ore was found in large quantities. Some of this land is still in possession of his descendants. In 1767 the proprietary return shows him to have been the owner of 150 acres, and in 1779, 250 acres. He was also the owner of land in Lynn township, this county. He died June 15, 1790, and his will, dated July 1, 1789, was probated at the Berks court-house, on July 9, 1790. In the will provision was made for his wife, Elizabeth, and after her death for his eight sons and one daughter:

(1) John and (2) Christian, who, with his wife, were the executors, were given his dwelling and plantation of 249 acres and 60 perches (3) Peter was given another plantation of 103 acres and 140 perches, whereon he then resided; (4) Jacob was given £300; (5) Abraham, £350; (6) Magdalena (wife of Christopher Eylert), £300; the remaining sons (7) Philip, (8) Michael, and (9) Daniel, were evidently provided for during the lifetime of their father. Paul Grosscup and John Borger were the witnesses to the will. Elizabeth Fenstermacher, the widow of Philip, died Oct. 1, 1791, aged 65 years and 11 months. They are both buried in the old graveyard adjoining the Longswamp church, of which they had for many years been faithful members.

William Fenstermacher, son of Jacob, was born Oct. 11, 1740, and about the year 1770 settled in Heidelberg township, this county, where he became a man of prominence. During the early days of the Revolutionary War he was a member of Capt. Conrad Roeder's Fifth Company of the Third Battalion of militia, and later served under the same captain in the fifth battalion. He operated a distillery in connection with his farm of 170 acres, and died Nov. 27, 1801, survived by his widow, Margareth Elizabeth, and five children: (1) Philip, b. Oct. 6, 1771; (2) George, b. Jan. 18, 1773; (3) William, b. March 22, 1775; (4) John; and (5) Elizabeth, b. Oct. 25, 1787, wife of Gottfried Peter. Another daughter, Anna Catharina, born in Longswamp township in 1763, probably died young, as no mention is made of her. William Fenstermacher is buried in the old Heidelberg cemetery, and doubtless also his wife, although no trace can be found of her tombstone.

Christian Fenstermacher, another son of Jacob, was born in Longswamp, June 8, 1748. At an early age he settled in Allen township, Northampton county, where he owned a farm of 140 acres. His death occurred Jan. 25, 1829. His wife, Maria Barbara, born Dec. 4, 1757, was a daughter of John Hilbert, of Rockland township, Berks county. She died Dec. 20, 1826, and with her husband is buried at Schoenersville. Christian and Maria Barbara Fenstermacher were the parents of ten children: (1) Anna Magdalena, b. Oct. 18, 1776; (2) John, b. Dec. 4, 1778; (3) Philip, b. Nov. 20, 1783; (4) Maria Magdalena, b. Dec. 6, 1785; (5) Michael, b. Aug. 4, 1793; (6) Elizabeth, b. April 18, 1795; (7) Maria, b. Feb. 18, 1798; (8) Henry, b. Feb. 16, 1800; (9) Regina, m. — Ross and had four children: John, Hannah, Lea, and Charles; and (10) Joseph.

Joseph Fenstermacher, son of Jacob, was



born about the year 1750 in Longswamp, where he also acquired land, being taxed for 100 acres in 1779, and for 150 acres in 1780. His will is on record at the Berks courthouse in Vol. 4, page 363. It was made Dec. 26, 1805, and probated Aug. 4, 1806. His wife, Anna Margaret, m. n. Hoak, was the executrix, and provision was made in the will for his son, Johannes, to have the first right to the land at valuation, after her death. Her death evidently occurred prior to 1812, for on March 23d of that year the heirs of Joseph Fenstermacher gave a release deed for 180 acres to his son, Johannes. The following are the names of their eight children:

1. Johannes, b. Feb. 8, 1776.
2. Peter, b. Nov. 20, 1778.
3. Rebecca, b. March 6, 1781, (wife of John Rau).
4. Catharina, b. Oct. 13, 1782, (wife of George Kuhl).
5. Magdalena, b. Sept. 8, 1783, (wife of Jacob Leibensperger).
6. Elizabeth, b. May 24, 1788, (wife of Adam Keller).
7. Jacob, b. Sept. 11, 1789.
8. Joseph.

Peter and Jacob are not mentioned in the will, nor were they parties to the release deed, probably having died before their father.

Johannes Fenstermacher, son of Jacob, was doubtless the same as the Johannes who was the founder of a large branch of the family in Lehigh and Allen townships, Northampton county. In the former township he owned a farm of 100 acres. In the year 1782 he was enrolled as a private in Captain John Dieter's Seventh Company of the Third Battalion of Militia. By trade he was a carpenter. He died in 1815, survived by his widow, Anna Maria, and ten children:

1. Johannes, b. Aug. 20, 1781.
2. Jacob, b. April 12, 1783.
3. Solomon.
4. George, b. July 7, 1787.
5. Joseph, b. Oct. 2, 1789.
6. Elizabeth, b. March 14, 1792, m. Conrad Dreisbach.
7. Jonathan, b. Jan. 23, 1794.
8. Isaac.
9. Mary Magdalena, b. May 9, 1799, m. John Peter Bachman.
10. Catharina, b. Feb. 1802, m. Dr. Griffith J. Scholl.

Philip Fenstermacher, son of Philip, was born Feb. 10, 1746, and when quite a young man moved to Lowhill township, this county, where, on May 12, 1767, he secured a warrant

for sixty-seven acres of land. He later purchased other land in the same township, and also owned a grist-mill. His wife, Maria Eva, whom he married in 1767, was born May 27, 1746, a daughter of Abraham Knerr. Soon after their marriage they joined the Lowhill church, organized in 1769, in the record of which appears the baptisms of most of their children. Philip Fenstermacher served as a private during the war of the Revolution, in 1778, in Capt. John Horner's Fourth Company of the Third Battalion, in 1780, in Capt. Andrew Dapper's Fourth Company of the Sixth Battalion, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Henry Geiger, and in 1782 in the same company and battalion commanded by Col. Henry Geiger. Philip Fenstermacher's wife died Dec. 3, 1802, and on Feb. 27, 1804, he married again the widow, Elizabeth Hartman, who survived him. His death occurred Dec. 20, 1807, his brother, Michael, and Andrew Knerr being the executors of his will which was probated Dec. 29, 1807. Philip and Maria Eva Fenstermacher were the parents of eleven children:

(1) Maria Eva, b. April 22, 1768, m. Peter George, and had two children: Christina and Magdalena.

(2) Philip, b. Nov. 7, 1769, d. Aug. 21, 1794. His wife, Margaretha Meyer, d. Jan. 19, 1795, aged 24 years, 9 months and 16 days, and they had three children: Maria Eva, Philip, and Anna Maria, who m. Daniel Acker.

(3) Jacob, b. March 18, 1774.

(4) Johannes, b. July 9, 1776.

(5) Magdalena, b. Feb. 1, 1779, m. Johannes Klotz.

(6) Maria Catharine, b. June 13, 1781, m. Christian Hantz.

(7) Susanna, b. April 21, 1783, m. Peter Rau and had two children: Peter and Maria.

(8) Anna Maria, b. Aug. 29, 1785.

(9) Catharina Barbara, b. Dec. 26, 1788, d. Sept. 4, 1794.

(10) Henry, b. Nov. 6, 1791, d. Dec. 12, 1791.

(11) Anna Elizabeth, wife of John George.

Michael Fenstermacher, another son of Philip, Sr., was born July 2, 1749, and like others of his family left the parental roof in early manhood. He took up his residence in Lynn township, where, in October, 1773, he married Philippina Kerschner, b. Sept. 20, 1753. He built an oil mill, which was later changed into a grist-mill, on a creek near Lynnvill, and also opened a store in his dwelling-house. It was formerly narrated of him that for many years his doors were without locks, bolts or bars. He was urged to fasten his doors and finally con-

sented. The next week after he had bolted and barred his store it was broken into and some of his goods taken. Michael Fenstermacher took an active part in the struggle for independence. In 1780 and 1782 he was a sergeant in Capt. Adam Stahler's First Company of the Sixth Battalion of Militia, and in 1783 ensign in Capt. Samuel Everett's First Company of the First Battalion of Militia. He was a member of the Lynn township (Ebenezer) church. His death occurred Dec. 1, 1831, and that of his wife on March 22, 1837. Both are buried in the old graveyard adjoining the Ebenezer church. Michael and Philippina Fenstermacher had seven sons and three daughters, as follows: (1) Jacob, b. April 14, 1775; (2) Philip; (3) Conrad; (4) Abraham, b. Feb. 2, 1781; (5) Johannes, b. Oct. 1, 1785; (6) Daniel, b. Feb. 25, 1790; (7) Peter, b. Feb. 3, 1795; (8) Anna Catharina, b. Dec. 13, 1783, m. Samuel Billman; (9) Elizabeth, m. George Sendel; and (10) Barbara, m. Conrad Kerschner and had ten children: John, Elias, Gideon, Daniel, David, Matthias, Jeremiah, Salome, Catharine, and Abigail.

Jacob Fenstermacher, son of Philip, Sr., was born Nov. 19, 1751, and moved to Rockland township, Berks county, where he married Elizabeth Basters. The latter bore him five children: (1) Daniel, b. Dec. 7, 1777; (2) Magdalena, b. March 15, 1780; (3) Maria Charlotta, b. Oct. 22, 1788; (4) Henry, b. Jan. 1, 1792; and (5) George. His first wife, dying on June 30, 1796, he married again, Maria Troutman, b. Oct. 22, 1767, and she bore him seven children: (6) Abraham, b. June 9, 1797; (7) Judith, b. June 20, 1798; (8) David, b. Dec. 6, 1799; (9) Reuben, b. Aug. 11, 1805; (10) Nathanael, b. Sept. 9, 1810; (11) James, b. Dec. 28, 1819; and (12) Susanna, b. June 15, 1822.

Jacob Fenstermacher owned a farm of 100 acres in his native township, whereon he also operated a saw-mill and hemp mill. His death occurred July 19, 1835, and that of his wife, Maria, on Aug. 21, 1850. They are both buried at De Long's church, Bowers.

Joseph Fenstermacher, son of Johannes and grandson of Jacob, was born Oct. 2, 1789, and died March 4, 1862. His wife, Maria Christina, m. n. Cole, was b. Feb. 1, 1783 and d. Nov. 4, 1879. Joseph Fenstermacher was a farmer near Stone Church, Northampton county, and was at one time supervisor in Allen township. He and his wife are both buried at Stone Church. They were the parents of five sons and six daughters: (1) Ephraim, a farmer of Lehigh township, (his wife was Julianna, *nee* Bachman.

and they had nine children: Aaron, b. Aug. 21, 1840; William, b. Sept. 16, 1843; James M., b. Feb. 23, 1851; Christianna C., b. Feb. 23, 1851; Maria, b. Jan. 3, 1846, m. Henry Heffelfinger; Franklin S., b. Nov. 26, 1853; Sarah Louisa, b. Feb. 14, 1849; Tilghman E., b. Nov. 26, 1856; and Lucy Ann, b. July 27, 1859; (2) William, a farmer of Allen township, m. Harriet Lerch and had four children: Tilghman A., b. April 28, 1857; Sylvanus; William J.; and Ellen C., b. June 8, 1847, m. Milton Kuntz; (3) Cornelius; (4) Joseph William, b. Nov. 20, 1819; (5) Christianna, m. Charles Bachman; (6) Julianna, m. John Bachman; (7) Elizabeth, m. Edward Weiss; (8) Magdalena, m. Theophilus Miller; and (9) Annie, m. Jonathan Beil.

Cornelius Fenstermacher, son of Joseph, was a farmer in Allen township, where he was born Jan. 14, (?) 1820, and died Nov. 22, 1898. He was a member of the Reformed wing of the Stone Church. His wife, Mary Susanna, m. n. Shive, was b. May 11, 1833, and d. March 3, 1884. Cornelius Fenstermacher raised produce on a thirteen-acre farm. His remains are buried at Stone Church. His children were: Lewis A., b. July 11, 1853, a farmer of Moore township; Harrison F.; and John J., of Hainesport, N. J.

Harrison F. Fenstermacher, of East Allentown was born on the homestead near Stone Church Oct. 23, 1860, and was reared upon the farm. At the age of twenty-one he learned the house painting and paper hanging trade, which he followed in Catasauqua three years. He then worked two years in a furniture factory at Sellersville, Pa., and following this worked at his trade at Lansdale, Pa., where he remained about three years. He then secured a position as timekeeper in the Lehigh Valley Railroad shops at Packer-ton, Pa., which he held for eleven years. Resigning this position he accepted another as pay-roll clerk with the Atlas Cement Company, and resided at Siegfried, where he remained about seven years. On Sept. 8, 1910, he settled in the Fourteenth ward, East Allentown, where he erected a residence at the corner of Third and Walnut streets. He is employed as an agent by the Prudential Insurance Company and is a member of the Reformed Church. On April 7, 1881, he married Lillian H. Fenner, daughter of Josiah and Elmira (Williams) Fenner, and they had three children: Bessie I., Lee S., and Elsie R., who died June 21, 1910, aged 16 years. Mrs. Fenstermacher died July 29, 1905, aged 44 years and is buried at Stone Church. On May 11, 1910, Mr. Fenstermacher married Ida M. Mosser, the widow of Levi Shollenberger, and by this union they have a son, Harry F.

Jonas Fenstermacher, another son of Johannes



and grandson of Jacob, was born Jan. 23, 1794, and died Nov. 27, 1878. He followed farming as an occupation and owned a tract of land near Kreidersville. He married Regina Master, b. May 21, 1796, and died March 15, 1854. He and his wife are buried at Stone Church, of which they were Reformed members. They had seven children: (1) Manasses, b. Oct. 19, 1816; (2) Reuben, b. Nov. 13, 1817; (3) Lea, b. July 8, 1820; (4) James, b. Sept. 1, 1821; (5) Henry; (6) Sarah M., b. June 14, 1835, died young; and (7) Caroline, m. ——— Bachman.

Henry Fenstermacher, son of Jonas, was b. March 27, 1824 and d. April 16, 1899. He lived on the Fenstermacher farm, consisting of eighty acres of slate land at Slatedale, Pa. In politics he was a Democrat, and at one time was constable. His remains are buried at the Heidelberg church. His wife, m. n. Sallie Ann German, was b. March 14, 1830, and they were the parents of 12 children: Elias Wilson; Manetta, m. William F. Peter; Jane, m. Edward T. Dilliard; Erasmus H., Caroline A., (d. young); Benjamin H. (d. young); Franklin (d. young); James L.; Edna, m. Frank Nester; Ellen, m. Oscar Reppert; Robert A.; and Alavesta, m. Ulysses E. Smith.

James L. Fenstermacher, son of Henry, a citizen of Emerald, Pa., was born on the homestead in Washington township, Nov. 12, 1860, and remained upon the farm until he was 21 years old. In 1881 he moved to Mauch Chunk where he was employed for a year as an engineer. In 1882 he came to Emerald, where for several years he engaged in the mercantile business. He then secured employment as foreman of the Slate Shaving Department with the National School Slate Company, where he continued for more than a quarter of a century. For three years Mr. Fenstermacher was a slate operator, giving employment to a number of men. In 1904 he built his residence at Emerald, which is the most modern and handsome in the town. He is a member of the Evangelical Church, and served as class-leader and trustee. He is also a teacher in the Sunday school, of which he was for some years the superintendent, and is active in the religious welfare of the community. On Dec. 27, 1880 he married Alice Dorward, a daughter of Henry and Flora (Geiger) Dorward, and they had seven children: Henry E., William C., Clarence J., Urban V., Quinton O., Horace, and Allen H.

Jacob Fenstermacher, son of Philip, and grandson of Philip, Sr., the immigrant, was born March 18, 1774, and died March 6, 1829. On April 19, 1796 he married Eva Elizabeth Seip, b. Feb. 28, 1778, and d. June 17, 1850. His

remains are buried at the Lowhill church, while hers repose in the old graveyard at Neffs. Jacob Fenstermacher and his wife, Eva Elizabeth, had six children, as follows: Jonathan, b. March 27, 1802; Charles, b. Feb. 24, 1805; Elias; Maria, b. Jan. 14, 1797 (Polly, as she was familiarly named, who m. Solomon Ziegler); Judith, m. Jonathan Klein; and Leah, m. Peter Troxell.

Elias Fenstermacher, another son of Jacob, was born in the year 1807, and was a native of Weisenberg township. He was a farmer until 1853 when he removed to Allentown, where he purchased the northwest corner of Tenth and Hamilton streets, and dealt extensively in grain and feed. Later, with his son, Levi, as a partner, they conducted a grocery store in connection with the grain business. During the Civil War the price of wheat reached the high mark in the nation's history, and the farmers in bringing wheat to the Fenstermacher mart, or in passing and asking the price, when told \$2.50 per bushel, would frequently remark "uscht," meaning "only," or "is that all." They expected the price of wheat to reach \$3.00 per bushel.

Elias Fenstermacher was an able business man, and enjoyed a wide acquaintance. He dealt in groceries and bought and sold grain and salt by the boat loads, his place being the principle dispensary for the county of this staple article. He was a man of enterprise. He was an active spirit during the rebellion, and in politics an uncompromising Democrat. He was a supervisor of Allentown borough. His death occurred Aug. 24, 1875. He and his family were members of the Reformed Church. His wife, Esther Kuhns, died Aug. 8, 1892. Their children, who are now all deceased, were: Levi; Eliza A., the wife of Joseph Ruhe; and Phaon A.

Levi Fenstermacher, son of Elias, was born in the village of Heinimansville, in Weisenberg township, May 22, 1833. In 1853 he came to Allentown with his parents, and was associated with his father in the grain and mercantile business. He and his brother, Phaon, succeeded their father, and for a number of years they were wholesale produce dealers in Philadelphia and Allentown. They were also the first shippers of green groceries into Allentown, at the time when the inhabitants in the borough, were accustomed to use home-grown products of their gardens and fields.

Mr. Fenstermacher had imbibed the spirit of energy and enterprise possessed by his father, and like him was a successful business man and a Democrat in politics. Early in life he was a leader of the church choir, and was one of the organizers of St. John's Reformed church, in which he held many offices.

His wife was Fianna Metzger, a daughter of Jacob and ——— (Hoch) Metzger, the former at one time a hotel-keeper in Lehighton. Levi Fenstermacher died April 30, 1907, and his wife July 28, 1904. They had six children, namely: Seneca, d. aged three years; Laura, unmarried; William J., deceased; Edward E.; Hattie N., the wife of W. C. Lehr, of the firm of Shankweiler & Lehr, clothing merchants; and Ella, unmarried. All of these reside in Allentown, Pa.

Phaon A. Fenstermacher, son of Elias, was born in the village of Heinimansville, Jan. 27, 1836. In 1853 came with his parents to Allentown, and after the death of his father, engaged in the grain business with his brother, Levi, and later in the wholesale produce business. He also possessed the traits of his father, and was a Jeffersonian Democrat. He was united in marriage with Anna Maria, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Jarrett) Seider, b. Dec. 15, 1838.

Phaon A. Fenstermacher died Jan. 15, 1885, and his wife, Anna Maria, Jan. 13, 1901. They are buried in the Union cemetery at Allentown. Their children follow: Percival S.; Adella F., the wife of J. H. Shimer, of Stockertown, Pa.; Annie, the wife of Rev. C. L. Holloway, a Lutheran minister, of Long Beach, Cal.; and Eveline E., who is single and resides at Long Beach, Cal.

PERCIVAL S. FENSTERMACHER, son of Phaon, member of the state board of agriculture, chairman of the Lehigh county farmers' institutes, noted scientific agriculturist, banker, and representative citizen, resides in Allentown, Pa. He was born at Dubuque, Iowa, July 9, 1857, and when less than two years old his parents removed to Lehigh county, Pa. The public schools of Allentown afforded Mr. Fenstermacher his early mental training, and later this was supplemented by a course in the Allentown Business College. For three years he kept the books for Fenstermacher Brothers, wholesale produce dealers, in Philadelphia, after which he became a clerk for four years with Milton J. Kreamer, in "the old corner store," Seventh and Hamilton streets, Allentown. He was bookkeeper for Ruhe Brothers, in Allentown. In 1882 he was married to Agnes Kern, daughter of Edwin and Eliza (Gross) Kern, of Kernsville, Pa. Mr. Fenstermacher was compelled, owing to failing health to seek outdoor employment, and moved upon the Seider's homestead, which belonged to his mother. This farm he cultivated along scientific lines for twenty years. It is situated in Upper Saucon township, which district Mr. Fenstermacher served with marked ability as school director and later justice of the peace, for nearly ten years, resigning the office in 1903, when he moved into

his residence at No. 214 North Eighth street, Allentown, Pa.

He still carries on extensively general scientific farming, and he was one of the pioneers to engage in commercial orcharding. He is the general manager of the Trexler orchards, consisting of 20,000 fruit trees, principally peaches and apples, which produce the most perfect fruit grown in the entire state. This has won for him a national reputation as a pomologist and scientific agriculturist.

Mr. Fenstermacher was one of the organizers of the Merchants' National Bank, Allentown, and served as a director of that institution until the organization of the Allentown Trust Company, in which movement he likewise participated and became a member of the board of directors, a position he still holds.

Politically his affiliations are with the Republican party. At different times he has taken an active interest in party matters. He was delegate to various conventions, notably the famous Quay-Hastings contest for state chairman in 1896.

Mr. Fenstermacher and his family are members of the Lutheran church. He has been active in church and Sunday school work all his lifetime. The following are the names of his children: Lloyd S., of Spirit Lake, Idaho; Vinnie H., the wife of Dr. Otto C. Reiche; Anna, deceased. She was a public school teacher in New Jersey; Robert P., is a salesman for the Lehigh Portland Cement Company; Harry K., a state-road inspector of Pennsylvania; Adella A.; Evelyn M.; Theodore R.; Alma C.; and Samuel S.

EDWARD E. FENSTERMACHER, son of Levi, proprietor of the Columbia hotel and restaurant, Tenth and Hamilton streets, Allentown, was born where he has always lived, and now owns, May 18, 1865. He was educated in the Allentown high school. He became a partner with his father under the firm name of L. Fenstermacher & Co., commission merchants of green groceries, at 18-20-22 North Tenth street. They were in business about ten years. In 1894 Mr. Fenstermacher obtained a license for what is known as the Columbia hotel and restaurant. The hotel has twenty-eight rooms, and in the successful conduct of his business he employs fifteen people.

On Jan. 17, 1900, Mr. Fenstermacher was united in marriage with Ella L. Wotring, daughter of Edwin and Rosa (Guth) Wotring, who lives at the Sand Spring in North Whitehall township, and hails from a long-settled French Huguenot family, whose full early history appears in this volume.

Mr. and Mrs. Fenstermacher have no children. They are members of the Reformed





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Church. Mr. Fenstermacher has membership in the following lodges: B. P. O. E., No. 130; F. O. E., No. 110; and K. G. E., all of Allentown.

Charles, a third son of Jacob, and grandson of Philip Fenstermacher, was b. Feb. 24, 1805, and d. April 6, 1875. His wife, Maria, daughter of Benjamin and Maria Kuhns Zimmerman, was b. Aug. 11, 1820, and d. March 19, 1909. Both are buried at the Unionville church. Of this union four children survived: Benjamin P.; Charles Henry; Amelia; and Maria, wife of Reuben Semmel.

Benjamin P. Fenstermacher was b. April 25, 1845, and d. at his home in Schnecksville on Dec. 24, 1910. His widow, who is still living, was Louisa, m. n. Semmel, and they had the following children: Charles; Katie L., wife of Rev. Thomas Bachman; Allen R., b. March 25, 1894, and d. Nov. 30, 1908; Howard; Oliver J.; Robert A.; Lillian; Annie; Daisy; and Edgar B., b. July 13, 1876, and d. April 7, 1905.

OLIVER J. FENSTERMACHER was born Oct. 4, 1879, in Schnecksville, and received his early education in the township schools. For a time he worked on his father's farm, and later entered the employ of Mr. Rex as a clerk. In 1899 he secured a position as clerk with E. E. Long & Co., at Egypt, and in 1909 became a partner in that firm. The business is now conducted under the firm name of O. J. Fenstermacher & Co. On July 3, 1904, he married Elsie V., daughter of Jeremiah and Mary (Marck) Grammes, and their union was blessed with two daughters: Alma G. and Anna M.

Mr. Fenstermacher is a member of the Reformed Church at Unionville. Fraternally he is affiliated with Red Men Lodge No. 97, of Egypt; the order K. G. E., of Allentown; and Woodmen Lodge, No. 8576, of Cementon. Politically he is a Democrat.

John Fenstermacher, son of Michael and grandson of Philip, Sr., was born in Lynn township, Oct. 1, 1785, and d. Feb. 9, 1871. In 1812 he was assessed as a single freeman, and about that year married Susanna Schneider. He was a farmer in Lynn township, where Edwin Clauss now lives above New Tripoli, and is buried at Lynntown.

John and Susanna Fenstermacher had five children, as follows: Salome, b. June 27, 1812, m. George Snyder; Polly, b. March 16, 1814, m. Philip Clauss; Catharine, b. June 10, 1816, m. Joseph Snyder; Jonas; and Rachel, m. Marcus Rau, a tinsmith.

Jonas Fenstermacher, son of John, was b. Aug. 13, 1818, and d. Nov. 21, 1891. He succeeded his father to the homestead located along the Berks and Lehigh Railroad, above New Trip-

oli. His wife was Phoebe Ann Clauss, b. Dec. 29, 1818, and d. Dec. 14, 1900. Jonas Fenstermacher and his wife were Reformed members of the Ebenezer church, and both are buried at that place. Their children were: Levi; Diana, m. Stephen Moyer; Fianna, d. Young; Carolina, d. young; Phoebe Ann, m. Joseph Clauss; Catharine, m. Jonas Clauss, and they lived in West Penn, Schuylkill county; and Sarah, m. Edwin Clauss.

Levi Fenstermacher, son of Jonas and grandson of John, was b. Oct. 15, 1841, and d. Dec. 20, 1883. He resided with his father and followed the trade of a carpenter. He was stricken with apoplexy while riding a horse, from which he fell on the street dead. His remains are also buried at the Ebenezer church. His widow, m. n. Sarah Zellner, has her home in Lynn township with the family of Owen Handwerk. They had two children, namely: Henry S. and Victor L. The latter died Oct. 4, 1884, aged four months.

Henry S. Fenstermacher was b. Oct. 18, 1882, and since 1904 has followed farming as an occupation. In that year he purchased the Sylvester Sittler farm of ninety-seven acres, located along the north side of the Shochary, in Lynn township. He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M. On May 18, 1901 he wedded Mary, daughter of Nathan J. Heintzman, an account of whom appears elsewhere in this book. He and his wife are Lutheran members of Ebenezer church, which he serves as a deacon. They have the following children: Paul N., Mabel E., Mervin L., Verna P., and Lillian S.

Jacob Fenstermacher, son of Michael, and grandson of Philip, Sr., was born April 14, 1775, and resided all his life-time in Lynn township, where he carried on farming. In 1812 he and his brother, Philip, were assessed among the land-owners. His wife was Catharine Derr, a daughter of John Nicholas Derr, b. April 23, 1774. Her death occurred April 7, 1853, after a married life of 50 years. Jacob Fenstermacher, like his father, was a Reformed member of the Ebenezer church. He died about seven months after his wife, on Nov. 3, 1853, and their remains are buried in the graveyard adjoining the church of which they were lifelong members. They had eight children: Magdalena, b. July 22, 1805, m. John Schneider; John, b. July 30, 1809, a resident of Weisenberg township; Daniel; Abby, b. July 22, 1813, m. David Muthard; Jeremiah, b. Aug. 22, 1815, and d. June 21, 1887. He was married to Matilda Hausman (1824-1903) and lived in Lynn township. Their children were: Sophia, m. Levi Heintzelman, and Sarah A., m. Moses Ohl; Rebecca, b. May 24, 1818, m. Michael Lauchnor; Con-

rad, settled in Mahanoy township, Northumberland county; and Philippina, m. Henry Bennighoff, who settled in Ohio.

Daniel Fenstermacher, second son of Jacob, was born in Lynn township, Aug. 7, 1811, and d. April 8, 1884. He was a lifelong farmer in the township of his birth, and owned the farm now in possession of his son, Lewis. He built the present house in 1866, the barn having been erected by his father, Jacob, about 1841. Like his father and grandfather before him, he was a Reformed member of the Ebenezer church. His wife was Rebecca Bachart, daughter of Michael Bachart, of Schuylkill county, b. Jan. 3, 1817, and d. Aug. 27, 1904.

Their remains are also buried at the Ebenezer church. The names of their six children were as follows: Lovina, m. Joseph Moyer; Jane A., m. Frank P. Ritter; Lewis B.; Emeline, b. Jan. 22, 1849, and d. Feb. 24, 1861; William F.; and James M., b. Sept. 4, 1856, and d. Feb. 17, 1861.

Lewis B. Fenstermacher, son of Daniel, a farmer of Lynn township, was born on the homestead of his great-grandfather, Dec. 26, 1847. He attended the public schools and was reared to the pursuit of farming. In 1877 he was married to Annetta R. Weida, daughter of Joshua and Rebecca (Reinhard) Weida. The following year he commenced farming on the tract he now owns. This farm was in the Fenstermacher family since April 4, 1810, and contains seventy acres. In 1898 he acquired the adjoining farm of seventy-four acres, which had belonged to Philip Fenstermacher. In 1907 Mr. Fenstermacher retired from active farming, and was succeeded by his son-in-law, Milton J. Weaver. In politics he is a Democrat, but during his long and active life has always avoided political offices. He and his family, like his forefathers, are members of the Reformed church. He served as a deacon and also as elder of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli. Mr. and Mrs. Fenstermacher have three children; namely: George O. (a farmer of West Penn township, Schuylkill county. Has children: Mary; Ida and Clara, twins); Dr. James O.; and Ida R., m. Milton J. Weaver, and has two sons, Henry L. and Robert H.

DR. JAMES O. FENSTERMACHER, veterinarian at New Tripoli, was born in Lynn township, Nov. 29, 1879. He graduated from the township schools in 1898 and taught "Fenstermacher's school" three terms. He then took a course in the normal school at Kutztown to the end of the junior year, after which he took up the veterinary course in McKillips Veterinary College, at Chicago. He graduated from this institution in

1906, and located at Campbellsport, Wis., remaining here until April, 1911, when he began practicing in New Tripoli. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the P. O. S. of A. In the latter order he passed through all of the chairs and was a delegate to four conventions.

WILLIAM F. FENSTERMACHER, son of Daniel of Lynn township, is a leading resident of Coplay, Pa. He was born in Lynn township, April 2, 1852, and was educated in the common schools and the state normal school at Kutztown. He taught school at the "Fenstermacher school" in his native township, and also worked upon the farm. At the age of 29 he began life for himself, farming several years in Lynn township. In 1884 he engaged in the hotel business at Schnecks-ville, conducting the Eagle hotel for four years. In 1888 he came to Coplay and became proprietor of the Eagle hotel, which he has conducted almost continuously ever since. He acquired ownership of the hotel by purchase from the Jonas Peters estate in 1898. The hotel was established by the latter and his son, Moses, in 1862, and prior to coming into the possession of Mr. Fenstermacher, was at various times conducted by Jackson Biechy, Levi Kuhns, and Thomas Danner. It is the leading hotel of the borough, has all conveniences and thirty rooms. The hostelry is conducted along modern lines.

Mr. Fenstermacher is a director of the Lehigh National Bank of Catasauqua, and was the president of the Secured Realty Company of Allentown, until in 1913. Fraternally he is a member of the Order of Red Men at Northampton, and of the Heptasophs, at Allentown. In politics he is a Democrat, and at various times has served as councilman, school director, and assessor, which latter office he held for six years. He also adheres to the religion of his forefathers, and is a member of the Trinity Reformed church of which he was for six years a trustee. He was a member of the building committee and a liberal contributor toward the erection of the fine parsonage at Fourth and Coplay streets, also member of the building committee when the Reformed Church was remodeled in 1911.

On Jan. 29, 1880, Mr. Fenstermacher married Anna Elizabeth Gerner, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Gross) Gerner, of Schnecks-ville, and they were the parents of four children: (1) Harry W., d. July 29, 1890, in his ninth year; (2) Charles W., b. August 24, 1891, a graduate of the Coplay high school, class of 1907, and at Franklin & Marshall Academy in 1911. During the vacation period after he had successfully entered the junior year, he was accidentally drowned in Picquay creek, on July 25,



1913, while he and companions were camping near the Susquehanna river at Pecquey. He was a young man of sterling character, highly respected by his companions at home and fellow students. He was held in the highest esteem by the professors of college for the wholesome influence he exerted over his fellow students. (3) Robert D., d. Aug. 24, 1894, aged 5 months; and (4) Erwin F., b. August 13, 1896, who has entered upon his second year's study in Franklin & Marshall Academy.

Jacob Fenstermacher, a former resident of Hanover township, was born April 17, 1822, and died June 8, 1893. He was the only son of his father, whose name we have been unable to ascertain, although we know that he married a Miss Hackman. The father dying when Jacob was only nine years of age, the latter came to Northampton county, where he was employed by a Bethlehem township farmer. He later acquired an 18-acre tract of land in Hanover township between Bethlehem and Catasauqua, which is now owned by his son, George Fenstermacher. He was confirmed in the Hecktown Reformed church when 16 years of age. His remains were the first to be interred in the new cemetery at Schoenersville. In politics he was a Republican. On Nov. 8, 1846, he married Lydia Unangst, a daughter of George and Elizabeth (Able) Unangst, b. May 1, 1821, and d. April 29, 1897, aged 76 years, less two days.

Jacob and Lydia Fenstermacher had the following children: Jeremiah, George, Maria, m. Jacob Henshue; Viola, unmarried; and Diana, m. John R. Riegel.

Jeremiah Fenstermacher, b. May 25, 1852, has a 42-acre farm in Hanover township, Northampton county. Prior to 1908 he lived in Hanover township, Lehigh county. Politically he is a Republican, and at one time was tax collector in the latter township. He is a Reformed member of the Schoenersville Church. Jeremiah Fenstermacher married Senia Catharine Ritter, daughter of Daniel Ritter, and they have two children: Harvey D., and Weston J., the latter still at home.

Harvey D. Fenstermacher is a farmer in Hanover township, Lehigh county, and was born at Schoenersville, July 2, 1876. He was reared as a farmer, and from the time he was eight years old until he was nineteen, worked for his grandfather Fenstermacher. He hauled milk for three years for his uncle, George W. Fenstermacher, and in 1899 he began farming for himself near Schoenersville. In 1902 he purchased his present tract of 55 acres of excellent farm land, formerly the John Lerch homestead. He is a member of Christ Reformed church, Schoenersville, and in politics he is a Republican.

On Jan. 25, 1896, he was married to Amanda E. Hoch, daughter of William H. and Sarah (Fisher) Hoch, and they have the following children. George H., Jennie M., Cora J., Robert P., and Franklin H.

Tilghnan Fenstermacher, son of Jonathan and grandson of Jacob, was born in Lowhill township, March 8, 1835, and died Feb. 21, 1908. When a young man he learned the carpenter trade which he followed several years. Later he took to railroading. From 1865, until the Reading Company assumed charge, he was road-master for the Catasauqua & Fogelsville Railroad. Thereafter he lived retired at his home at Mickley's, where he died. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, which he served as deacon and elder.

Tilghman Fenstermacher married Mary A., daughter of John and Marietta (Seip) Merkel, and she preceded her husband in death on Nov. 19, 1900, aged 59 years and 24 days. They are both buried at Mickley's church. Their children were: Henry E.; John E. (of Catasauqua, a conductor on the C. & F. R. R.); and Minnie, who died April 3, 1896, aged 24 years.

HENRY E. FENSTERMACHER, sales manager of the Allentown Manufacturing Company's fertilizer department, residing at Helfrich Spring, is a native of Chapman Station, where he was born Nov. 22, 1862. He received his early education in the common schools, and from 1884 to 1900 lived in Illinois. He was engaged in a general merchandise business at Orangeville, Ill., and in 1900 returned to his native state and county, accepting the position which he now holds. In 1899 he erected his cement block residence at Helfrich Spring, where he now lives. He is a Republican in politics, and in 1911 was elected one of the seven school directors of Whitehall township. He is vice-president of the board, which was the first one elected under the new school code. He was made a Mason in Illinois and in 1901 became a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., Allentown; Freeport Chapter, No. 23, Royal Arch Mason; and Freeport Consistory 32°. He is a Lutheran member of Mickley's church, which he served as deacon, and since 1900 also served as trustee.

On Dec. 30, 1891, Henry E. Fenstermacher married his first wife, Mary E. Musser, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Dreibelbies) Musser, b. June 16, 1868, and died April 8, 1896. Their children were: Rachel Rebecca, who in 1912 graduated from the Allentown College for Women, and Mary Ellen, a student at Monroe, Green Co., Wis. On July 16, 1899, he married secondly, Mary J. Helfrich, daughter of Tilghman G. Helfrich, of Lehigh county, and they have one son, Tilghman G.

WILLIAM JACOB FENSTERMACHER was born June 28, 1863, in Allentown. Was educated in the public schools, and in young manhood, engaged in the green grocer and market garden line. Traveled for a wholesale grocer for 14 years, leaving the road in 1901.

He became owner of a cafe at 616 Hamilton street, Allentown, and at his death, his widow conducted the business for six years.

He was the first president of the "Eagles," a member of St. John's Reformed church. He died Dec. 21, 1901, and interment was in Greenwood cemetery.

He married Flora Ann Detweiler, daughter of Charles and Ann (Rhensmith) Detweiler, of Allentown. His widow resides with her son, Charles L. Their children were: William, who died in infancy; Claude; Charles Levi, of whom below; and Harry Jacob, born March 20, 1893, by trade a jeweler and engraver, in Philadelphia.

Charles Levi Fenstermacher, son of William Jacob and Flora A. (Detweiler), was born April 19, 1882, at Allentown, and attended the public schools. He studied music under Martin Klinger, of the Allentown band, and is at present (1913) playing the trap drum at the Orpheum Theatre, and has filled this position for the past eight years.

He is also manager of the American Hotel pool and billiard room. He is a member of the Eagles and the Moose societies; and also of St. John's Reformed church.

John Fenstermacher, son of Joseph, was born near Tipton, in Berks county. He owned two valuable farms. His wife, Dorothy, was a daughter of Heinrich and Catharine (Bastian) Fisher. She died in 1858, aged 67 years. Their children follow: 1. Reuben. 2. Leon, was married to Sallie Knappenberger and their children were: Emeline, Henry, James, Sarah and Elmira. 3. Hettie, m. John Henning. 4. Benjamin, m. Sarah Courath and had these children: Elvina, Cecelia, Mary, Victoria, James, Henry, Maria and Mary. 5. Angelina, m. W. Hamsher. 6. John, of Ohio, had eight children. 7. Jacob, m. Hannah Bortz and had Oliver, Eliza, Chester, Milton, Kate, Agnes, Kate (the second), Lillie, and Jacob. 8. Sally Ann, born 1832, m. Frank Fisher, and they had a son, Garion.

Henry Fenstermacher, son of Leon, was born Nov. 9, 1850, in Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county. He was a farmer in Maxatawny township up to 1890, when he moved to Allentown and is employed by the Trexler Lumber Company ever since. He has served Trinity Reformed church as a deacon and elder. He married Anna Elizabeth, a daughter of Nathan

Haas. She was born in 1850 and died June 26, 1894. Their children are: 1. Ellen A., single, at home. 2. GEORGE LEON, born March 19, 1879, in Maxatawny township, Berks county. He attended the public schools and the American Commercial School. In 1898 he learned the barber trade which he has followed ever since. He has his tonsorial parlor at 404 North Eighth street, Allentown. In 1905, he married Annie M. Long, daughter of James W. and Leanda (Weidner) Long, of Longswamp township. They have two children: Leon James, who died in infancy; and Margaret Leanda. 3. Carrie is the wife of James Hoffman.

James O. Fenstermacher, son of Leon, and a brother of Henry, was born in 1840. He was a farmer but now follows laboring at Tipton, where he lives. He married Florenda Miller and they have: Jennie, Emma, Maggie, Daisy, Florenda (deceased), Stella, William, Francis, James F., Leon, Harvey and Harry.

Francis Fenstermacher, son of James O., was born October, 1880. He is a cabinet maker at Allentown, where he resides. He married Flossie Fegley, and they have a son, Leroy F.

THOMAS J. FENSTERMACHER, an enterprising business man of Allentown, and a cement contractor of that city, was born in North Whitehall township, near Siegersville, Lehigh county, Sept. 30, 1867, son of Jonas and Elizabeth (Derr) Fenstermacher.

Jonas Fenstermacher (father) was born at Catawissa, Pennsylvania, died at Catasauqua, aged eighty-one years, and his remains were interred in the graveyard of Mickley's church. He was reared in Berks county, near Mertztown, and received his education in the common schools of the neighborhood. He served an apprenticeship at the trade of stone mason, and later removed to North Whitehall township, where he resided for twenty-three years, following his trade of stone mason and also devoting considerable time to farming. He then removed to Guth's Station, where he resided for two and a half years, working at his trade, after which he took up his residence in Catasauqua, where he spent the remainder of his days, working at his trade until four years prior to his death. He was a member of Mickley's Reformed church.

He married Elizabeth Derr, a native of Mertztown, Berks county. They were the parents of twelve children, seven of whom attained years of maturity, namely: Henry, a resident of Fullerton; John, deceased; Benjamin, a resident of West Catasauqua; Carolina, married William Seibert, and resides at East Catasauqua; Thomas Jefferson, of whom further; Lizzie, died, unmarried, aged thirty-one years; Peter, deceased, mar-



ried Diana Rau, and they had two children: Edwin; Minnie, who married Oliver Weiss, and resides at West Catasauqua.

Thomas J. Fenstermacher was reared on the homestead farm, and he received a practical education in the common schools adjacent to his home. He remained at home, assisting his parents with the work on the farm, until he attained the age of eighteen years, when he married and went to housekeeping in Catasauqua, being employed in the Catasauqua Rolling Mill cutting iron. Later he served an apprenticeship at the trade of stone mason with Christian Garan, of Catasauqua, and followed that line of work for seven years. In 1898 he moved to Allentown, locating on Maple street, where he engaged in the cement business, also following his trade to some extent, and at the present time (1914) has about fifty employees. The following is a partial list of the work in which he has been engaged: The cement foundations, etc., of the Young Men's Christian Association building, Eighth street church, Dubb's Memorial church, Orpheum Theatre, Lyceum Theatre, Pergolia Theatre, parsonage of Slavish church, South Bethlehem; Lehigh Dye Works; Slavish church, Sixth ward, Dye Works; Catasauqua Silk Mills, and many other buildings and private residences. Prior to engaging in business on his own account, he served as foreman for three years for William H. Gangewere, and in the same capacity for two years for Monroe Stephens. He was confirmed in Jordan Reformed church, and he and his family now hold membership in St. Matthew's Lutheran church, he being a member of its board of trustees and of the building committee. He is a member of the Knights of Friendship, No. 45, in which he has held all chairs.

Mr. Fenstermacher married Mary Schlach, daughter of Guindert and Johanna (Helmuth) Schlach, natives of Mechlenberg, Germany, from whence they came to the United States, accompanied by four of their children, nine others being born in this country, one of whom was Mary, aforementioned. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Fenstermacher: (1) Annie Mary, became the wife of Frank Webber, and their children: Oscar Thomas, died in infancy; Ruth, Clara, Harry Thomas; they reside in Allentown; (2) Clara Laura, became the wife of Joseph Q. Adams, a native of Alburdis, son of Nathan N. and Emma (Mull) Adams; (3) Oscar Thomas, died in infancy in Catasauqua; (4) Harry Jefferson, born May 26, 1900.

#### EDWARD J. FERRY.

Edward J. Ferry, of Allentown, Lehigh county, Pa., was born in Luzerne county in that

state, November 27, 1876. He remained in the region of his birth until the year 1890, and then, at the age of fourteen, removed to Allentown, where he learned the art of printing with the *Chronicle and News* of that city. In 1904 he severed his connection with this paper and affiliated himself with the *Leader*, also of Allentown, an association which continued until 1909. Since the latter date he has devoted himself exclusively to the terpsichorean art. In 1900 he opened a dancing school in the Young Men's Temperance Hall, on Ridge avenue, Allentown, continuing it for two years, after which he removed to Slatington, Pennsylvania, and conducted for two seasons another school in Seibert's Hall, in that place. Returning then to Allentown, he opened a school in the new Saengerbund Hall on North Fifth street, and in 1906, founded his present successful establishment in the Lyric Theatre Building. Another of his enterprises was that opened by him in 1903, a school for the Allentown and Kutztown Traction Company at Dorney's Park, which succeeded so well that he opened still another in 1907 at Central Park, Rittersville, Pa. Mr. Ferry is regarded by the community as the leading master of his art in the county. Besides his many flourishing dancing schools, he has other associations with the business and financial world of Allentown, being a director in the Ridge Avenue Deposit Bank, an office he has held since the institution was organized.

Mr. Ferry was married August 1, 1906 to Miss Mame Gallagher, a daughter of John and Winnifred Gallagher.

#### FETTERMAN FAMILY.

In 1750 Balthasar Vetterman, Casimer Vetterman, Herman Vetterman, and two sisters sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, on the ship "Patience," captain, Hugh Steel, for America, landing at Philadelphia on August 11, 1750. They found their way north from Philadelphia to what is now the southern end of Lehigh county, settling in the vicinity of Dillingersville and Zionsville. Balthasar Vetterman, who is the forefather of most of the Fetterman's of this vicinity, settled at what is now Old Zionsville, and on April 22, 1751, married Catharina M. Huft, daughter of Johann George and Margaret Huft. In 1769 he bought the property lately occupied by Samuel K. Fetterman, between Vera Cruz and Shimersville, at sheriff's sale at Easton, the original homestead, a log cabin, having been removed. The two sisters' graves have been located near Dillingersville and that of Balthasar at Lehigh church. The issue of Balthasar Fetterman were: 1. Johann George, b. Feb. 22,

1752; 2. Anna Margaretha, b. Jan. 7, 1755. 3. Johann Michael, b. Jan. 9, 1755. 4. Anna Maria, b. 1758. 5. Johann Philip. 6. Maria Salome, b. July 29, 1762. 7. Anna Margaretha, b. 1765. 8. Johannes, b. June 24, 1767.

John Philip Fetterman, son of Balthasar, was born May 8, 1761. He had been a private from Northampton county in the continental line during the Revolutionary War. From Nov. 1, 1781, to Jan. 1, 1782, he served in Capt. Daniel Good's Third Company, Second Class, First Battalion of Northampton county, under Lieutenant Colonel, Stephen Balliet. He was married to Sarah Dannehouer, their children being: 1. Jacob. 2. Balthasar, b. Jan. 23, 1786. 3. Johannes, b. Sept. 17, 1787. 4. Rosina, b. Oct. 16, 1789. 5. Anna Catherine, b. Aug. 17, 1790.

Jacob Fetterman, son of Johann Philip, was born Aug. 15, 1784, and resided in Upper Milford township, where he owned and cultivated the farm now in possession of J. J. Krum since 1910. This farm had been in the Fetterman possession since Oct., 1769, its last owner being Samuel K. Fetterman, who sold it to the present owner. Jacob had been a Lutheran member of the Old Zionsville church, which he served officially. He died April 26, 1865. About 1807 or 1808 he was married to Kate Klein, with whom he had two children: Jonathan and Sallie. He was married a second time to Sybilla Frantz, b. near Trumbauersville, Bucks county, Aug. 22, 1790, died Feb. 2, 1859, their children being: Elizabeth, m. to Jacob Moll of Siesholtzville; Levi; Lovina, b. Oct. 18, 1825, d. Feb. 6, 1883, m. to Jonathan Andrews; Noah, b. April 4, 1828, d. Nov. 8, 1859, m. to Anna Kuhns, the children being: Hiram, Mrs. Lefenus Stettler, Mrs. Calvin Becker, Mrs. J. Biever, and Simon.

Levi Fetterman, son of Jacob, was born on the old homestead, Oct. 12, 1823. Subsequently he owned and cultivated this farm of 119 acres, to which he added by purchase fifty-eight acres. From 1869 to about five years previous to his death, March 21, 1899, he was a drover. He had been an active Democrat, never missing an election; was a Reformed member of the Old Zionsville church, which he served in the church council for many years, having been an elder for sixteen consecutive years. His farm descended to his son, Samuel K., after his death. On Jan. 19, 1845, he was married to Julia Ann, daughter of Jonathan and Judith (Lichtenwalner) Kuhns, who was born June 28, 1823, d. Feb. 25, 1908. Their children being: Jacob, b. Dec. 21, 1845, d. Aug. 20, 1906; Jonas, b. Jan. 26, 1847, died in March, 1913; Adaline, b. Aug. 5, 1848; Eliza, b. Feb. 16, 1850; Julia and Levi, twins, b. Oct. 15, 1851. Levi died Dec. 11, 1852; Leon, b.

Oct. 29, 1853; William, b. Nov. 28, 1855. Oscar, b. Oct. 23, 1860; d. Sept. 20, 1894; Samuel K., whose history follows:

SAMUEL K. FETTERMAN, son of Levi, was born in Upper Milford township, Feb. 16, 1862. He was educated in the public schools until 1876, then attended the Mennonite College at Wadsworth, Ohio, after which he returned to the farm until 1882, when he took the full commercial course in the Eastman Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., from which he graduated the same year. Returning to the farm, and after 1892 personally farming the Fetterman homestead. He continued there to the spring of 1911, when he disposed of the stock and sold the farm privately. In politics, he is a Democrat, having been elected justice of the peace of Upper Milford township in 1904, and has served in that office very acceptably ever since. He also served as a school-director, and was delegate to a number of county and state conventions, and, in the fall of 1911, was elected county commissioner of Lehigh by a large majority. Both he and his family are Lutheran members of the Old Zionsville Lutheran church, which he served in the church council for many years. He was married Dec. 12, 1892, to Caroline, daughter of Joel and Mary (Heimbach) Yeakel; their children are: Allen J., who is a member of the firm trading as the Lehigh Valley Motor Co., at Allentown; and Edna V. Mr. Fetterman and family reside at Vera Cruz since the spring of 1911.

#### FETHEROLF FAMILY.

The ship "Thistle," which arrived at Philadelphia, August 20, 1730, had among its passengers, Peter Fetherolf, son of John Jacob Fetherolf. He was a native of Wachbach, Germany, born March 20, 1699. He was married to Anna Maria Rothermel in 1729, born in Feb. 1712, the only daughter in a family of six children, of Johannes and Sabilla (Zimmerman) Rothermel, also natives of Wachbach. He and his family and his brother-in-law, Leonard Rothermel, before the organization of Berks county, in 1752, had settled in Hereford township. In the year 1759 he was the largest taxpayer in that township. He was tax collector for the district, and collected the sum of 74 pounds, 15 shillings, and 6 pence; of which amount he himself paid 18 pounds as his share. His son, Peter, Jr., then was assessed among the *single men* of the township.

The name Fetherolf has been corrupted into various spellings. The ancestor in his last will and testament, plainly wrote his name *Peter Fetherolf*. In the list of immigrants in the *Pennsylvania Archives* the clerk spelled it *Federolph*.



The tax-lists have it *Fetterolf*. In the old Lehigh church records it appears as *Johann Peter Fetherolf*. The descendants in Berks and Lehigh counties spell it *Fetherolf*; and the Northumberland county, Pa., descendants, as well as those in Philadelphia, including Prof. Adam H. Fetterolf, Ph.D., L.L.D., the late distinguished president of Girard College, spell it *Fetterolf*.

Peter Fetterolf, the pioneer, was a farmer. He owned a large acreage of land, located along the line of Berks and Lehigh counties, in three townships, Hereford and Longswamp in Berks county, and in Lower Macungie in Lehigh county. The Fetterolf homestead on which the pioneer settled, erected the first log buildings and cleared the land, lived a useful, industrious, and prosperous life, reared his family and died, is situated near the village of Seisholtzville, in Hereford township. He died Aug. 15, 1784, in the 86th year of his age. He and his wife and several children, also later descendants, are buried in a private graveyard on this farm.

The pioneer divided his large estate by a last will, which was made July 19, 1784, and probated September 15th of the same year, and is recorded in the courthouse at Reading, Pa. Its witnesses were Henry Bortz and Christopher Schultz, the latter a justice of the peace of that district. It appointed as executors, Paul Grosscup, of Rockland township (who was the ancestor of the Hon. Peter S. Grosscup, the distinguished jurist of Chicago), Jacob Fetherolf and Christopher Bittenbender. The following six children are mentioned in the will: (1) Jacob; (2) Philip, married Christiana Richards (1749-1870), on Nov. 13, 1770. Their daughter, Elizabeth married Adam Wartman; (3) John Peter; (4) Maria Magdalena, married to Christopher Bittenbender; (5) Catharine, married (first) John Siegfried; (second) to Abraham Zimmerman, and (6) Anna Barbara, married to Philip Hain (Hehn). Items of the will were: 300 acres of land to his son, Jacob; 100 acres of land to his son-in-law, Christopher Bittenbender, blacksmith; 300 pounds to each of the six children of his deceased son, Peter. The three daughters were well provided for by the will which distributed the vast estate equally among all his children.

This pioneer was a leader among the settlers of his section. His wisdom in the selection of land is shown by the fact that it remained in the Bittenbender family from the year 1784 until 1908, a period of 124 years. Valuable iron ore, in later years, was discovered and profitably mined on this long-settled homestead. "At the Bittenbender mine, the ore raised from January to August, 1880, was 3,892 tons. Until the

year 1880, 118,000 tons of ore were mined with big profit." Montgomery's History of Berks county, 1886, p. 998).

Peter Fetherolf and his wife were devout Lutherans, actively identified with New Jerusalem church, of which he was an elder in 1814; and there they were buried; large and costly tombstones mark their graves, with plain and legible inscriptions. He had settled originally in that section of Allemangel, not embraced in Albany township, Berks county, at a place which is still locally known as Fetherolfsville. This village, if it may now be so called, was an important center to the colonial settlers. A block-house or place of refuge stood there; in it settlers gathered to spend the nights when Indian invasion and attacks were feared. Inhabitants came to this block-house as far north as Lynnport. Among those was Mathias Schüts and family. (See Vol. I, Lynn township.)

Jacob Fetherolf, son of Peter, was born February 16, 1742, and died April 6, 1823, aged 81 years, 1 month, and 21 days. He was married to Catharine Brobst, one of the six children of Pioneer Philip Brobst (Probst), an immigrant, who settled in Allemangel (meaning desolation or land of all wants), Lynn township, about 1739. She was born May 12, 1760, and died Jan. 10, 1849, at the advanced age of 88 years; 7 months, and 28 days.

The exact time that Jacob Fetherolf located at Allemangel is uncertain, but from documents still extant, we learn that it was about 1770. He was an extensive farmer, and his descendants are very numerous, which include a number of ministers, doctors, and successful business men, as well as prosperous farmers. They had eight children: Jacob, Philip, Peter, Daniel, Salome, who was married three times, each husband having been a Bieber; Catharine, who was twice married, her second husband having been Abraham Long; and Molly, married to Peter Siegfried.

Jacob Fetherolf, son of Jacob, was born Feb. 7, 1782. He was a farmer in Lynn and lived near Jacksonville. He built the east end of the stone house, and the barn in 1819, on the farm now owned and occupied by Harrison A. Henry. He was an expert and leading horseman, always having had blooded stock. He and his family were Lutherans, members of the Jacksonville church, which he served as deacon and elder. He died March 31, 1849, in his 68th year. He was married twice; first to Anna Nonnamaker, and second to Maria C. Kistler. His first wife was born August 1, 1780, and died Sept. 15, 1821; the second wife was born Oct. 4, 1784, and died Oct. 23, 1841. They were married 19 years, 6

months, and 22 days. His children were: John; Maria, married to Henry Ebert, of New Tripoli; Catharine, married to Samuel Oswald, of Lynnport; Reuben; David; Diana, married to Joel Gross; and Daniel W.

John Fetherolf, son of Jacob, son of Jacob, died in Lynn, of typhoid fever, aged 35 years. His widow, Catharine, *nee* Kistler, married, second, a Christ, and third Reuben Buck. She was a tall, stout, good-natured woman. By her first husband she had these children: Mary, Jacob, Catharine, Rebecca, John, Elizabeth, and Lieut. David K., who was born in 1843, and died on June 17, 1865, from disease contracted while in the service of his country in Company K, 17th Regiment. He is buried at the Heidelberg church.

Reuben Fetherolf, son of Jacob, son of Jacob, was a farmer, along the Outelaunee creek in Lynn. He owned the farm now owned by Harrison A. Henry. He built the west end of the present large stone house. His wife was Susan Wanamaker. Their children were: James; Sabina (married Samuel Lutz); Elias; and John.

David Fetherolf, son of Jacob, son of Jacob, was an extensive farmer along the Outelaunee creek, in Lynn. He was a prominent man in his community. His homestead is now owned by his son, David H., and he erected the present set of buildings, the barn in 1860, and the house in 1856. He was school-director and auditor of the township. He and family were Lutheran members of Jacksonville church. He served it as deacon, elder, trustee, and treasurer. His wife was Sarah, a daughter of Heinrich Billig, and their two children were Madina, married Manasses Behler; and David H.

Daniel W. Fetherolf, son of Jacob, son of Jacob, was born Sept. 15, 1821, and died Jan. 16, 1890. His homestead was the Rev. Johan Zulich (1796-1875) farm, which is now owned by his son, John K. He operated a tannery on this farm until about 1867, when he abandoned it. He had partners until 1857, but from that year he had it alone. On that farm he built the present barn in 1872. He was school director and assistant assessor. In the church at Jacksonville he was deacon, elder, and treasurer. His wife was Maria (Polly) Kistler. She was born Oct. 20, 1824, and died Oct. 12, 1910, aged 86 years, less 8 days. Their children were: Mary, married Jacob N. Hartman; William K.; Lucetta, married Amos D. Trexler; and John K.

William K. Fetherolf, son of Daniel W., was born July 30, 1849, at Jacksonville, and died on Monday, Jan. 26, 1914, of a complication of diseases, after an illness of two years. After his

education in the public schools in Lynn township, he attended the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, and afterwards taught school for several terms. After the S. and L. branch of the P. & R. Railroad had been built he served for some years as station agent at Jacksonville. On the 24th of December, 1878, he was married to Mary A. Pfeiffer, of Lynnport. The couple settled, making farming their occupation. Even while thus engaged he did not neglect his inclination toward education. He was a constant reader and one of the well-read men of the community, as well as an authority on local history. He is survived by his widow, Mary, and the following children: Dr. William J., Steinsville; Mrs. Anna Heintzelman, Schnecksville; Martin, a student at Muhlenberg College, Allentown; Mrs. Eva Kohler, Kutztown; Mary, Allentown; Edna, Irvin, and Dewey, all at home; a brother, John, Jacksonville; and two sisters, Mrs. Jacob Hartman, Kutztown, and Mrs. A. D. Trexler, Trexler's.

James Fetherolf, son of Reuben, was wedded to Angelina Kistler. They were farming people in Lynn and Albany townships, and had the following children: Sallie, married to Dennis Hoppes; J. Frank, the popular host of the hotel at Wanamaker station on the Berks and Lehigh railroad, which is a potato center and great shipping place in Lynn; Dr. James, re-elected coroner of Northampton county, and he resides at Suckertown; Milton, painter at Allentown; and Dr. George, meat inspector at Reading, Pa.

Philip Fetherolf, one of the younger sons of Jacob, was born April 10, 1802. He had a large farm in the Kistler's Valley, which is now owned and successfully cultivated by his grandson, Alvin D. He and his family were Lutherans, members of New Jerusalem church, which he served in its different offices many years. He and his wife, Maria (Kistler), also, who was born Nov. 7, 1806, and died March 27, 1890, in her 84th year. They had eleven children: William and Daniel K., mentioned later; Dr. Abraham P., of Allentown; James K., deceased; Jacob, died in infancy; an infant son; Maria, married David J. Kistler; Judith, married William Kistler; Lucy, married John Kistler; Elizabeth, married David Miller; and Caroline, married Stephen Bachman.

William Fetherolf, eldest son of Philip, was married to Eliza Reagan; they lived at Ringtown, in Schuylkill county, and there he died, aged 73 years. They had five children: Dr. Allen, Lewistown, Pa.; James and William, farmers at Ringtown; Mrs. Emily Hood, who lives at Sioux City, Iowa; and Mrs. Brandon, now deceased.



Daniel K. Fetherolf, the second son of Philip, was born May 18, 1829, on the homestead of his father in the Kistler Valley, which he later acquired and farmed until the year 1875; then purchased the Benjamin Brobst farm in the same valley and cultivated it until 1879, then he moved to Allentown. For many years he was a tax-collector of Allentown, but lived retired a number of years before his death. Up to the time of his removal to Allentown, he was identified with the Lutheran congregation of New Jerusalem church, serving it officially many years. He died, Nov. 17, 1909, in the 81st year of his age. His wife was Mary, daughter of Christian Kistler, who died July 10, 1874, aged 41 years, 5 months, and 25 days. Both are buried at the New Jerusalem church. They had eight children, of whom six died small, those surviving being Alice M., married Phaon "Jug" Stettler, at Allentown, and Alvin D., an extensive agriculturist, in Lynn, now residing upon the homestead.

James K. Fetherolf, the fourth son of Philip, was a prosperous farmer in Albany township, near Kempton. He was born in Lynn, May 15, 1845, and died March 13, 1904, in the 59th year of his age. His wife was Lydia Kistler, a daughter of Nathan and Catharine (Dietrich) Kistler, who now resides at Kempton. They reared four sons and three daughters. The sons are: Rev. William, who is professor at a college in California; Rev. Elmer, of Pillow (Uniontown) Pa.; James, and Nathan, who are engaged in the forestry service of the government.

Jacob Fetherolf, son of John, son of Jacob, son of Jacob, son of the pioneer, resided in Lehigh county until 1876, when he moved with his family to Lawrence, in Kansas. He was a merchant and farmer. He died in 1887, aged 52 years, and was buried at Lawrence. His widow, Mary (Seidel) after his death, returned to Lehigh county and now resides at Allentown. Their children were: Ella, married John Krum, who lived at Lawrence; Alice S., married Francis Reading, of Allentown; Jennie, married George Brune, who lived at Lawrence; and George and Frank, both deceased.

John Fetherolf, a brother of Jacob, above-named, was married to Malinda Kistler. They located in Binghamton, New York. Their children were: Alvena, Mary, Clara, Katie, Oliver, and Samuel.

ABRAHAM P. FETHEROLF, M.D., prominent physician of Allentown, was born in Albany township, Berks county, Nov. 24, 1843. He was educated in the public schools; in the old Allentown Academy, which was then in charge of Prof. I. N. Gregory, a French-Canadian; in

the boarding school at the Trappe, in Montgomery county for two terms; after which he entered the Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Pa., where he continued until 1861, when the lectures were suspended, owing to the intense war spirit which prevailed at that time. Dr. Fetherolf then went to Trexlertown and there read medicine until 1864, when he began practicing at Spangsville, in Berks county. In 1866 he located at Chapman Station, in Lehigh county, where he "lived and prospered" for a period of 31 years. His large practice covered a territory of ten miles, and he enjoyed the full confidence and esteem of the community in which he labored those many years. In 1896 he moved to 941 Hamilton street, Allentown, and there he resided until 1909, when he gave his practice and residence to his son, Dr. Frederick A. Fetherolf, and moved to 1040 Hamilton street, where he devotes his time altogether to office practice as a specialist on the ear, eye, and nose. He is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society. He was postmaster at Litzenberg postoffice (Chapman Station) for three years. Politically he was an ardent Republican and cast his first vote for Abraham Lincoln.

Dr. Fetherolf was married on May 3, 1865, to Susan E. Stettler, born Feb. 23, 1843, daughter of Henry and Susan (Litzenberger) Stettler, of Lehigh county. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. They had four children: Minerva, born June 20, 1866; died, aged 22 years, the wife of Richard Lichtenwalner Winslow; Henry, born Feb. 28, 1873, died Feb. 12, 1878, in his fifth year; and Henry Wilkie, born Dec. 11, 1875, died Aug. 9, 1880 in his second year.

DR. FREDERICK ABRAHAM FETHEROLF, of Allentown, the only surviving child of Dr. Abraham P., was born December 7, 1880. He was educated in the public schools; then graduated from Muhlenberg College with the degree of B. S. in 1899, and also graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, with the degree of M.D. in 1902. In 1903 he took a six months' course in special surgical diseases in Berlin, Germany, and in 1907 he again went to Germany and took special work in surgical diseases. He began practicing his profession at 941 Hamilton street, and there he is still located. He is connected with a number of medical societies and the Philadelphia Medical Club. He was married, in 1909, to Mary Irma Sieger, daughter of the late Dr. Clinton and Catharine (Lerch) Sieger, of Siegfried, Pa.

ALVIN D. FETHEROLF, one of the very substantial farmers in the Kistler valley, in Lynn township, was born on the homestead, Feb. 3.

1863, and was educated in the common schools and the Allentown Business College. He spent seven years of his early life in the state of Kansas, and for two years was employed in the boiler department of the Atchison and Missouri Pacific Railroad. The following five years while in the West, he carried on farming and threshing.

In the spring of 1893 Mr. Fetherolf settled upon the homestead in Lynn. His grandfather, Philip Fetherolf, purchased it in 1824, who was succeeded by Daniel, his son, and in 1893 the title passed to the present owner. A part of the present dwelling-house is a relic of the colonial period. A distillery, which stood between the house and barn, was built in 1818, and was razed in 1913, and this was the second one which stood at that place. The west end of the present barn was built in 1837 by Philip Fetherolf.

Mr. Fetherolf purchased the Michael Brobst farm of ninety-eight acres, which adjoins the homestead, and for some time he has been one of the large and successful potato farmers of Lehigh county. He married Emma L. Hockman, of Kansas, and they have these children: Callie A., married James Dannenhower, who lives in Lynn; Lulu E., married Fred Koch, who lives at Allentown; Hattie B., graduated from the State Normal School at Kutztown in 1911, and is a public school teacher in Lynn; Mary A.; Edward C.; William Daniel; Ida J.; James R.; and Pearl E.

The father of Mrs. Fetherolf was Daniel Hockman, who was born in the Brush Valley, Snyder county, Pa. He married Nancy Anna Moyer, and in 1859 they removed to Stephenson county, Illinois, and about 1871 they moved to Kansas.

DAVID H. FETHEROLF, an extensive Lynn township farmer, was born June 8, 1850, upon a farm which he now occupies. This farm originally was eighty acres, but Mr. Fetherolf added a farm of 140 acres which was the Emanuel Bilig property and earlier belonged jointly to Samuel and Jesse Sechler. He has put his land into a high state of cultivation and added value to the buildings by improvements and by beautifying the surroundings and now he has one of the valuable farms of the district.

He and his family are members of the Lutheran church, which he served as deacon, elder, and trustee for many years. On Aug. 17, 1873, he married a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Bieber) Christ, and a granddaughter of Daniel Christ, of Greenwich township; and twelve children were born to them: Charles, married Lena Lutz; Clara, married Charles M. Hunsicker; Annie; John Albert; Albert H.; and Irwin, all four deceased; Fred, married Adda Dietrich;

Otis, deceased; Katie; Daisy; Mamie; and Howard, who is deceased.

J. FRANK FETHEROLF, of Wanamaker, proprietor of the Washington House, was born December 30, 1854, and worked for his parents upon a farm until he was 27 years old. He began farming in 1879, as a tenant in the Kistler valley, and continued there for five years. In 1896 he purchased the hotel stand at Wanamaker from Samuel Benfield, and in the spring of that year took possession of it, and he has continued as its proprietor to this time. The hotel is a large brick building built by Benjamin Levan in 1876, and the following have served as proprietors: George Bowman, James Fegely, — Schantz, Henry B. Reinhart, and Samuel Benfield.

Mr. Fetherolf is a Democrat, and a popular citizen of his section. He was married April 20, 1879, to Amelia German, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Werley) German, of Heidelberg. They have two children: Clinton D., who was born Aug. 15, 1881, in 1905 he became a wholesale potato shipper at Wanamaker, a center of the potato belt. On Oct. 1, 1904, he married Irene E. Reinhart, and have a daughter, Marie J.; Carrie A., who married Jacob L. Klingaman, of Lynn. They reside at New York City. Her husband was first a school-teacher and later a stenographer and through civil service he became the chief stenographer in the United States Custom House, at New York City.

WILLIAM J. FETHEROLF, M.D., of Steinsville, son of William K. and Mary (Pfeify) Fetherolf, was born at Macungie, Aug. 25, 1881. He was educated in the township schools from which he graduated in 1898, and in the Summer Normal School at Schnecksville, after which he taught school. In 1902 he entered the Medico-Chirurgical College at Philadelphia, and graduated in 1906. He was a member of the Mann Orthopedia Society, and did substitute work for other physicians. In the fall of 1906 he located at Steinsville, where he has built up a large practice. He owns and occupies the residence of Dr. H. B. Erb, whom he succeeded, and this was the residence of former physicians: Doctors Sallada, Shade, Grater, and Erb. It is locally known as the "Doctor's House."

Dr. Fetherolf is an active member of these lodges: Blue Mountain Lodge No. 249, I. O. O. F.; P. O. S. of A.; and the K. G. E. In 1910 he was one of the organizers of the Berks and Lehigh Telephone Company, a chartered corporation with an invested capital of \$15,000. It operates 120 miles of circuit wire and has officiated as the company's president since its incorporation. He and his family are Lutherans.





ALVIN D. FETHEROLF.



MRS. ALVIN D. FETHEROLF.





In politics he is a Democrat. In 1904 he married Mary S. Fister, a daughter of Daniel Fister, whose record appears in this volume, and they have four children: Blanche, Annie, Grace, and Eleanor.

Johann Peter Fetterolf, the pioneer of a branch of this family, in Northumberland county, was born June 30, 1774, in Hereford township, Berks county. He located in Cameron township, and there married Anna Maria Dunkelberger, who was born Sept. 2, 1772. They lived in Cameron township, until their children were born, later settling on a large farm in Upper Mahantango township, across the line, in Schuylkill county. He prospered and accumulated a large estate. His original tract in Upper Mahantango township is now divided into three good sized farms, the one on which the first set of buildings was erected and on which he lived, is now the property of William Mattern. He was a saddler by trade. He died Nov. 2, 1848; and his wife on Feb. 7, 1853. They are buried at Salem (Herb) church, located immediately across the Northumberland county line in Schuylkill county. The family were Lutherans. His ten children were: Samuel, Peter, John, Joseph, George, Joseph (the second by that name, the first having died in infancy), Daniel, Mrs. Josiah Geist, Mrs. Joseph Dunkelberger, and Mrs. John Zimmerman.

The Philadelphia branch of this family descended through Adam Fetterolf, a grandson of the ancestor. His children were: Peter, Michael, Daniel, Samuel, Adam, Gideon, and a daughter, Rachel, married with John Correll. All of them resided in Montgomery county, except Michael and Adam, who settled in Columbia county, and Samuel in Lebanon county, Pa.

Gideon Fetherolf, of Montgomery county, had the following children: Susanna, wife of Abraham Tyson, both deceased; Sarah, wife of Abraham Grimley, both deceased; Henry H., of Collegeville; Adam H., late president of Girard College for many years, who died in 1912; Abraham D., president of the Collegeville National Bank; A. Curtis, at New York City; Horace G., at Philadelphia, where he is an extensive carpet manufacturer and his son, Morton H., associated with him in business, was married to Elizabeth Sherley Smith, daughter of George Hunter Smith, one of the multi-millionaires, of the state of Ohio.

Another branch of this family located in the vicinity of Troxelville, a village in Snyder county, Pa. The father of Andrew, John, Peter, and Henry Fetterolf, was the pioneer. Andrew and Peter were blacksmiths, married to sisters who were the daughters of Henry Swartz

(Schwartz), from Berks county. John was a great hunter. Andrew died April 24, 1883, aged 88 years, 1 month, and 17 days. His grandson, Rev. J. H. Fetterolf, is a Lutheran minister, residing at Perth, Kansas, and Henry, also a blacksmith by trade, is located near New Lebanon, Mercer county, Pa. He had a son, David, born in 1833 who is still hale and active, living in Grand Valley, Warren county, Pa., where he has a small farm; and David has two brothers, Samuel, at Franklin, Pa., and Jacob, at New Lebanon.

A. L. Fetterolf, son of David, above-named, was born in 1876, and is a general contractor and builder with offices at Richmond, Va., but he resides at Centralia, Virginia.

#### FRANK FINCK.

Frank Finck, one of Emaus' most successful business men is a son of Daniel Finck, who for many years conducted a blacksmith shop in Upper Milford township, near the village of Shimmersville. Daniel Finck was born Nov. 14, 1819, and died July 29, 1903; was married to Susanna, a daughter of John Laudenslager. She was born March 24, 1825, and died Aug. 13, 1899. Both lie buried in the Zion's Lutheran cemetery at Zionsville. This union was blessed with five children, two of which, Sarah and Daniel, died in infancy. The three surviving children are: Catherine, married to the late John Henninger, of Emaus. Edwin, who resides at Allentown, and Frank.

Frank was born April 20, 1855, in Upper Milford township, he received his early training in the public schools of the township and was confirmed as a member of the Reformed congregation of Zionsville, by Rev. R. C. Apple. At the age of sixteen he accepted a clerkship in the general store of Milton Marcks, Sr., at Zionsville, and later removed with him to Emaus, where Mr. Marcks opened a general store. On the 16th of May, 1885, Mr. Finck launched in business for himself by opening a general store at the corner of Fifth and Broad streets, and continued there until 1896, when he erected the present handsome store room and dwelling at the corner of Third and Main streets, where he enjoys a large trade. On Aug. 20, 1883 he was married to Laura Eliz Schultz, a daughter of Dr. C. F. Schulz, and his wife Anna Amanda, *nee* Tool.

Dr. Schultz was born in Brunswick, in the Fatherland, and was a son of Edward and Johanna Gaelert Schultz. As a young man he enjoyed the benefits of the training which the best schools on the continent afforded. During his academic course he was a classmate of the father

of the present emperor of Germany; and afterwards studied medicine at Copenhagen, and at Paris. At the age of twenty-three he came to America, coming directly to Dr. Denoskey, at Emaus, also a native of Germany. After assisting Dr. Denoskey for a short period he went to one of the West Indian islands to practice but returned to Emaus after a few years. Soon after his return he was married to Anna Amanda Tool, a daughter of Israel and Anna Mary Knauss, Tool. The union was blessed with four children of whom Henry and Mary died in childhood. Of the two remaining, Ellen is married to Rev. M. E. Kemper, a Moravian minister, residing at Bethlehem, and Laura Elizabeth is married to Mr. Fink.

Dr. Schultz died July 9, 1895, his wife, Anna Amanda, who was born Sept. 23, 1818, preceded him in death seven years, having passed away Oct. 17, 1888. Upon the death of her father, Mrs. Finck came in possession of the old homestead, which was immediately razed to the ground and the present home and place of business were erected upon the old spot. Mrs. Finck was confirmed as a member of the Moravian congregation at Emaus by Rev. Wunsche, of which she is an active member. Mr. and Mrs. Finck enjoy a host of friends and are happy in entertaining them. Mr. Finck is a member of the K. of P. lodge, of the local beneficial society, and of Emaus Fire Company No. 1. In politics he is a Democrat.

#### FINK FAMILY.

The first of the Fink family were Peter Fink and Daniel Fink, who arrived at Philadelphia on the Ship *Patience* on September 19, 1749, and Michael Fink, who arrived on the Ship *Janet* on October 7, 1751. Peter Fink settled in Upper Milford township, where his name occurs in the tax list of 1762. Michael Fink settled in Salisbury township and in 1764 was taxed three pounds on 190 acres of land in that township. Michael Fink had a daughter, Elizabeth, born in 1767. He died prior to 1782. In 1785 his widow was taxed upon 188 acres of land in Salisbury township. She died November 28, 1794, aged 58 years, 2 months and 22 days.

Peter Fink and his wife, Anna Maria, had children: John Jacob, born in 1767; Maria E., born June 12, 1779; John, born November 3, 1786; Michael, born May 30, 1788; Solomon, born May 25, 1792, and Lydia, born May 12, 1794.

In 1788 Peter Fink was taxed in Salisbury township on 150 acres of land.

Jacob Fink was born in 1767 and in 1785 his name appears in the tax list as a single man in

Allentown. He was a blue dyer by trade and had a factory and machines to make woolen goods. He owned what was later known as the Gabriel Woolen Mills, located on the Little Lehigh, at the foot of Water Street. He was a good businessman, reliable and punctual. He was a member of the Reformed Church and in politics was an old time Whig.

He married Catharine Miller and had eight children: Joshua, born December 13, 1807; settled in Illinois, where he died. He was in the woolen business and had a large family; Jacob, born December 10, 1818; Marianna, born October 21, 1809. She married Alexander Miller, a printer of Allentown; Reuben, who settled in Lycoming county and was also in the woolen business; Sarah, wife of Thomas Mast of near Bethlehem; Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Wise, a tailor; Mrs. John Albright, and Edwin, a soldier in the Civil War, who was killed in the Red River Expedition. Jacob Fink and his wife are buried in the Allentown Cemetery.

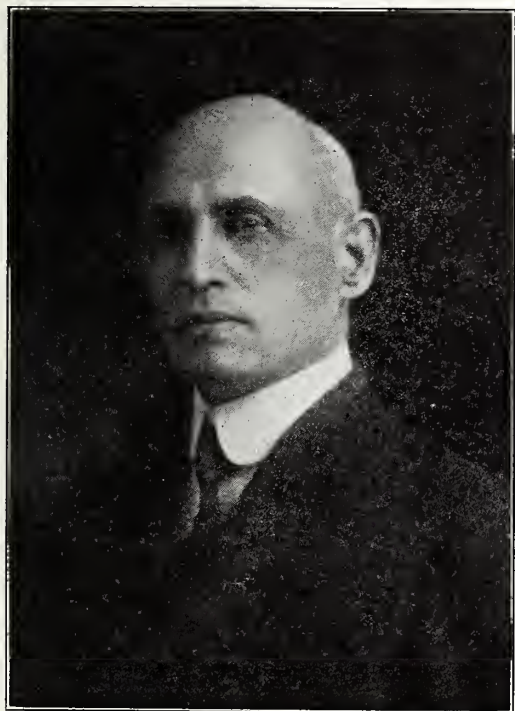
Jacob Fink was born December 10, 1818, at 246 Lehigh Street. In his earlier years he was employed by his father at his woolen factory and later was employed for 27 years by the Gabriel Woolen Manufacturers and succeeded his father in the business, after which he retired to private life. In 1847 he became a member of the Evangelical Church, in which church he was an active member for a number of years and was a member of Trinity U. E. Church. He was a Republican in politics. He died May 25, 1901, aged 82 years, and is buried in Union cemetery. He married Louisa Harwick, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Horlacher) Harwick of near Quakertown. She was born March 24, 1822, and died February 8, 1897. Shortly after his marriage he removed to 240 Lehigh Street, where he lived the rest of his life. He had eight children:

Mary C., wife of Benjamin Frederick; Annie C., wife of Allen D. Wolf; Jacob H.; John H. and Ella, who died in infancy; George W., of Allentown; Sarah, wife of George Dixon, and Carrie.

JACOB H. FINK, son of Jacob Fink, a merchant, was born in Allentown, Pa., April 21, 1847, at 240 Lehigh Street, on the same spot where his business is located. He had a common school education and when 16 years of age learned the trade of cigar making and followed the same until 1868, when he became a tobacco dealer, in which he has been engaged ever since, but in 1886 he added a grocery business and continued this line until 1907. His place of business at 242-244 Lehigh Street is one of the oldest stands in that section of the city, and enjoys a large trade. He is a Republican in politics and was



elected a member of the common council from the Second Ward in 1876. He also served two terms in the Second Ward School Board, and in 1911 was elected on the new school board under the new State laws and has served on numerous important committees. He and family are attendants of the Evangelical Church. He was married June 11, 1878, to Emma J. Hartman, born Dec. 10, 1854, and died Dec. 24, 1896, daughter of William D. and Clara (Rehr) Hartman, of Allentown. They



JACOB H. FINK.

have one son: Harry E., born March 26, 1882, who is engaged in business with his father.

Mrs. Fink died December 24, 1896. He married a second time November 24, 1903, Laura Weaver, born Feby. 14, 1871, daughter of Milton F. and Elamenda Amy, of Allentown. They have one son: Paul J. Fink, born Nov. 20, 1904.

Peter Fink, who was a dyer in Salisbury township, was a son of Michael Fink, who was born Dec. 31, 1765 in Salisbury township, son of Michael Fink, Sr., a taxable of Salisbury in 1762. Peter Fink is buried at the Western Salisbury Church. He had a son, Daniel, born in 1813 at Emaus, who was a carpet weaver, first in Bucks county and later at Allentown where he lived for upwards of fifty years at 204 Walnut street. The last five years of his life were spent with his

son, Daniel F., in Salisbury. He died on June 27, 1902, and is buried in the Union cemetery, at Allentown. His wife Juliana Sacks was born Feb. 8, 1819, died aged 76 years. She was a daughter of Morton and Catharine (Kline) Sacks, of Lower Milford, Bucks county. They had fourteen children, namely: Emaline, married to Reuben Hilyard; Joanna, married to Amandus Lafavor; Priscilla, married to C. J. Hains; Daniel F., Amanda, married to Moses Derner; Tevillia, died aged 23 years; Theresa, married to L. Derouer; Uriah, deceased; Hiram, of Allentown; Kate, married to William Beisel; Isabella, deceased; Mary, married to Reuben A. Crusan; William F., history follows, and Lillie Ann, widow of Alfred Horn.

DANIEL F. FINK, a retired farmer of Salisbury township, was born in Lower Saucon township, Bucks county, Jan. 19, 1843. At the age of nine years he entered the employ of Lawrence Kline and worked upon the farm for ten years. In 1862 he became a member of Co. H, Fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Militia, and was in service for fifteen days. Later he enlisted in Co. B, 176th Regiment, under Col. S. D. Lehr, and after the expiration of his time there he enlisted for a third term in Co. F, 209th Regiment Regular Vol. Inf'ty. In the first enlistment he was a private, in the second, first corporal, and in the third, a sergeant. After the war was past Mr. Fink, went to Ohio and for about one and one-half years worked on farms. After his return to Lehigh county, he engaged in tenant farming and for a year conducted the late Jonas Wine's farm in Salisbury township. He then moved upon a farm in South Whitehall township owned by his father-in-law, and there he lived two years. The following twenty-three years he was a general farmer near the Lehigh river in Salisbury. In 1890 he bought his present farm of 102 acres, which he farmed with much success until in 1912, when he retired, being succeeded by his son, Henry. Mr. Fink has been an industrious enterprising and progressive citizen, and now enjoys the comforts of a well spent life.

Politically he is an Independent Democrat; was township committeeman; assistant assessor; auditor; school director, and road supervisor.

On Sept. 26, 1868, he was married to Louisa Sarah Ann Butz, at Allentown, by Rev. W. Rath, who also confirmed him. Mrs. Fink was a daughter of Ephraim F. and Eva S. (Reichard) Butz. Eleven children were born unto them, namely: Tana, married J. E. Lehman, whose sketch appears in this history; Irwin, a farmer by occupation now lives in Allentown; Charles, who occupies an adjoining farm to his father;

Ella, married, first, Henry Lehman, and second, Harvey Kemmerer; Amenia C., married to Edwin Laudenslager; Edgar T., whose history follows; Bertha, the widow of Clinton Resh, resides at Cetronia; Harvey, a carpenter; Victoria, married to Frank J. Clauser. Henry, who is married to Edna Ritter, they have a son, Allen; Sarah, married Charles Schmoyer, they live near Mr. Fink, in Salisbury.

WILLIAM F. FINK, of Allentown, was born in that city March 19, 1860. At an early age he began working in Stephen Keck's brick yards, in the First ward. Two years later he accepted employment for several years with Dorney and Lynn, fire brick manufacturers, after which he began to work for his brother, Daniel F., in Salisbury township upon the farm. After his return to Allentown. A number of years later, he learned the cigar making trade, and after two years he engaged in the manufacturing of cigars for himself, in the First ward, and continued in the business three years. Afterward Mr. Fink did hauling and teaming until 1909, when he was appointed superintendent of the great Allentown fair grounds which position he since serves.

In politics he is a Democrat—is active in party welfare, and for the last three terms is the constable of the Eleventh ward. Socially he is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, the Knights of Friendship, the Friendship Fire Company and for five years he was a member of Company D, N. G. P., serving under Captains Roney and Reichard.

On Sept. 3, 1883, he married Ida, a daughter of Joseph Layton whose full history appears in this volume. Eight children are born unto them, namely: Charles, Elwood, Harry (died in infancy), Walter, Russell, Victor, Blanche and one that died in infancy.

EDGAR TILGHMAN FINK, an enterprising young farmer in Salisbury township, was born in that district, Dec. 13, 1881 son of Daniel F. He was educated in the township schools and the Emaus high school which he attended two terms. At the age of nineteen years he began teaching school and has taught six terms in his native district and in Upper Milford township. Afterward he engaged in farming and for three years was his father's tenant. In 1910 he bought his present farm of 85 acres which is located near the Western Salisbury Church, and is known as the "Church View Farm." He is a general farmer and also raises blooded cattle, making a specialty of Ayrshire stock which are especially noted for their rich milk. Mr. Fink also conducts a dairy and ships his milk daily to Allentown.

He is active in church and Sunday school

work, having served the Lutheran congregation of the Western Salisbury Church as a deacon two years and as superintendent of the Sunday school for seven years, and for the past three years he is the president of the Sunday school.

In January, 1905, he married Edith Romich, a daughter of Morris and Annie (Richter) Romich.

IRWIN FRANKLIN FINK, baker in Allentown, was born March 4, 1872, in South Whitehall township, and when an infant two months old his parents moved to Salisbury township, where he was educated in the public schools and reared on a farm and he remained with his father until he became twenty-three years old. Then he started farming for himself by renting the 120-acre farm of B. F. Kline and this he cultivated successfully for seventeen years. In 1912 he moved to Allentown and since then has been engaged in business as a baker.

In 1895, he married Emma Isabel, daughter of Alfred and Amanda (Kerchner) Miller, and they have five children: Hermie A., Clarence D., Amelia Louisa, Daniel A., and Catharine D. They are members of the Lutheran church in Salisbury, which he has served as a deacon. He was prominently identified with the Sunday school. He is affiliated with the Sons of Veterans at Emaus, the Knights of Friendship, and the Order of Moose; and in politics he is a Democrat.

In the descriptive history of Lynn township there appears a log-house, which is a land-mark of that district. It was built by Heinrich Fink, a pioneer, before the Revolutionary War. It is located on the farm now owned by Aaron Moyer near New Tripoli. Heinrich Fink had the following children, among others: I, Christian; II, Daniel; III, John, and IV, Peter. The last named removed from that community after 1790. The others lived in Heidelberg township back of Jordan valley along the mountain.

I, Christian Fink was a native of this county, and by occupation a farmer in Heidelberg, his unmarried son, Willoughby, having afterward owned his homestead. Christian was married to Salome Krum and they had these children: (1) Daniel (married twice, first to a Peter, and second to Lydia Geary, and had his home with Jacob Freibolin for fourteen years). (2) Nathan (married Elizabeth Handwerk), engaged at farming in Heidelberg, where James Boger now lives, and among his children there was a son, Paul, and a daughter, Trucilla. (3) David (married twice, first to Mary Everett and second to Annie Moyer, and had a large family. (4) Willoughby, (5) Peter (married to Eliza-



beth Everett, lived along the Blue Mountain at a place locally known as the "Sand Spring," and their children were: Elevina, Effie Ann, Owen, Thaddeus and Cassie); (6) Jonas (married Mary Krum and lived in Heidelberg, where he was a shoemaker, owned 21 acres of land, were members of the Reformed church, and their children were: Alfred, Richard H., Alice, Cora and Jane); (7) Salome (married Jonas Hunsicker); (8) Lucy (married Jacob Fink).

RICHARD H. FINK, a son of Jonas, is a farmer near Saegersville, in Heidelberg township. He was born on the homestead of his father, February 23, 1866. After his education he was employed as clerk in the general store business for nearly ten years, first with Henry German and then by Edwin German. While serving as a clerk he learned how to repair watches and clocks and adopting this business he has followed it to this time.

In 1894 he also engaged in farming, where he now lives, his farm consisting of 113 acres. It belonged to Henry Hunsicker until 1849, when he sold it to his son, David. It is a part of two patents bearing date respectively 1805 and 1806. David built the present two-story spring house in 1850 and the barn in 1851.

He and family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg church. In 1898 married Mary A. J. Hunsicker, a daughter of Levi Hunsicker, and they had five children: Ida M., Allen T., Henry A., Clarence T., and Robert M. (who died in infancy.)

II, Daniel Fink, was a farmer in Heidelberg township and lived upon the farm where Edwin Weiss now resides. He is buried by the side of his wife (named Folk) on the Heidelberg church graveyard. Their children were: Daniel, Lafayette (killed on the railroad at Packerton, Pa.), David (married Maria Peter), Joseph, Elizabeth (1816-1886, married John Fenstermacher, 1804-1881), and Mrs. Isaac Moyer.

III, John Fink, was a laborer in Heidelberg, and lived at the Blue Mountain. His wife was Molly Behler, and their children were: Jacob (who lived at Walnutport, Pa.), and Joel (who lived upon the homestead, unmarried), Samuel (also unmarried, who died upon the homestead), John (who lived in Northampton county), Violetta and Rebecca.

David Fink, son of Daniel, lived upon the homestead of his father, and was a farmer. His wife was Maria Peter. They had a son, Joseph.

Joseph Fink was born in Heidelberg in 1854. He was a carpenter until 1874, when he was married, then he began farming near Jordan Valley, on a farm of 65 acres and there his widow still resides. He and family were mem-

bers of the Reformed church. On December 26, 1874, he married Mary Leiby, a daughter of Jacob Leiby, whose full history appears in this volume. Their children are: Oliver J., Charles D. J., Eve E. (died in infancy), George W., Edwin G. (died in 1909 in his 23rd year), and Elmer F.

CHARLES D. J. FINK, of Jordan Valley, is a lumber merchant in Heidelberg township, where he was born Sept. 16, 1878. He attended the township schools and later took a course in the Allentown Commercial School. He was employed at farming until in 1898, when he engaged at lumbering and in this business is still engaged, giving employment to twelve men. In politics he is Democrat, and in 1907 he was elected one of the auditors of the township. Socially he is a member of the Odd Fellows, the Encampment and the P. O. S. of A.

In 1901 he married Clara M. Mack, a daughter of Abraham and Amanda (Ebert) Mack of Slatedale, Pa., and they have these children: Irene, Charles, Earl, and Mildred.

#### FISTER FAMILY.

Durst Fister (Pfister) was a pioneer of Reading, Pa., at which place he died in 1807. His last will is of record in the register's office of Berks county, and the names of these children are mentioned in it: John, Thomas, Henry, George, Elizabeth (deceased, who was the wife of Michael Refsnyder), and Anna Maria, wife of John Sharff.

George Fister, son of Durst, died in 1839, and his will is also of record in Berks county.

Peter Fister, a great-grandson of Durst, and probably a grandson of Heinrich, was born at Reading, Pa., March 25, 1789, and died at Hamburg in Berks county, in August, 1867, having been buried at the St. John's church at the place. He carried on farming for many years in Greenwich township, on his farm, which was situated at Klinesville and is now owned by his grandson, Peter Fister. He was married on March 1, 1808, to Magdalena Kemmerer, who was born in Greenwich township, March 17, 1792, and the following records are taken verbatim from their well worn "Family Bible":

#### FAMILIEN REGISTER.

Peter Fister begab sich in die Ehe mit Machdelena eine geborne Kummerer. Im jahr 1808 den 1ten March. Getrant von Pf'r Diefenbach.

#### GEBURTEN.

Peter Fister geboren in der Stadt Reading, Berks Co. den 25ten Marz 1789. getauft von Pfarrer Boas den 3ten Juny, confirmirt durch Pfarrer Boas den

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Meine Ehefrau Machadena Eine geborne Kummerer ist geboren in Greenwich township, Berks Co., im Jahr 1792 den 17ten Marz und getauft von Pf'r. Herzel. Taufzeichen wahren yacob Kummerer und seine Frau Mallie. confirmirt von Pf'r Diefenbach.

Kinder von Peter Fister und seiner Frau.

1. Solomon Fister ist geboren den 5ten Decem-ber, 1808. Getauft von Pfarrer Moyer in Hamburg, Berks Co., Taufzeichen waren Heinrich Fister und seine Frau Elizabeth, confirmirt von Pr. Herman.

2. Johannes Fister ist geboren in Windsor Town-ship, Berks Co., den 7ten March 1811. Taufzeichen wahren Abraham Kummerer und seine Frau Eliza-beth, getauft von Pf'r. Diefenbach und confirmirt von Pf'r Herman.

3. Peter Fister ist geboren in Greenwich Town-ship, Berks Co. den 30ten April, 1813. getauft von Pfarrer Diefenbach; Taufzeichen waren Valentine Fisher und seine Frau Anna Maria. confirmirt von Pf'r Herman.

4. Elizabeth Fister ist geboren den 5ten July im Jahr 1815 und getauft von Pf'r Herman. Taufzeichen wahren Philip Fisher und seine Frau Elizabeth, Con-firmirt von Herman.

5. Catarina Fister ist geboren den 4ten Novem-ber im Jahr 1817 und getauft von Pf'r. Herman. Taufzeichen wahren Daniel Hill und seine Frau Catarina. Confirmirt von Pf'r Herman.

6. Samuel Fister ist geboren den 21ten tag April im Jahr 1820 in Grenwich Township, Berks Co., und getauft von Pf'r Herman. Taufzeicher wahren Yohannes Fister und seine Frau Hana und con-firmirt von Herman.

7. Machdalena Fister ist geboren in Greenwich Township, Berks Co., im Jahr 1822 den 9ten August und getauft von Pf'r. Herman. Taufzeichen wahren Samuel Miller und seine Frau Magdalena und con-firmirt von Pf'r. Herman.

8. Ana Fister gebaren den 8ten December im Jahr 1824 und getauft von Par. Herman. Taufzeichen wahren Adam Kohler und sein Frau Anna.

9. Anna Maria Fister ist geboren den 29ten yuni im Jahr 1820 in Greenwich Township, Berks Co., und zeichen wahren Peter Klein und seine Frau Anna Maria.

10. Sarah ist geboren den 25ten Tag December im Jahr 1828 auf die Christag und getauft von Pf'r. Herman; Taufzeichen wahren Peter Klein, Jr., und seine Frau Betti.

11. Jacob Fister ist geboren in Greenwich Town-ship, Berks Co., den 24ten November in Jahr 1830. getauft von Pf'r. Herman; Taufzeichen wahren Jacof Graff und seine Frau Rebecca, confirmirt von Pf'r Herman.

12. Cahrl Fister ist geboren den 4ten Januar im Jahr 1832, getauft von Par. Jaeger. Taufzeichen wahren Benjamin Reinhart und seine Frau.

13. Anmariah Fister ist geboren in Greenwich Township, Berks Co. den 23ten Mai im Jahr 1834 und getauft von Pf'r. Herman; Taufzeichen wahren Henrich Sontag und seine ehfrau Barbara. Con-firmirt von Pf'r. Herman.

14. Morgan Fister ist geboren in Greenwich Town-ship, Berks Co., den 24ten November im Jahr 1830. Taufzeichen wahren Isaac Kummerer und seine Frau Catarina.

Solomon Fister, the eldest son of Peter, was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, De-

cember 5, 1808, and was a wheelwright by trade, which he carried on in connection with farming. He lived at Wessnersville at the time of his death in December, 1874, and was buried in the cemetery at Frieden's church at that place. He officiated as a justice of the peace of Albany township for several terms, and later until the time of his decease as the post-master of the Stony Run post office. He was a member of the Reformed congregation, and a Democrat in politics. He was married to Catharine Will, of Greenwich township; born February 14, 1812, died January 23, 1887, and buried in the ceme-tery mentioned. They had two children: Jacob and Daniel.

Jacob A. Fister, elder son of Solomon, one of the few veteran school teachers surviving, was born in Greenwich township August 3, 1836. He received his education in the local schools and prepared himself to follow the profession of teaching. He taught in the public schools of Berks county for nearly a half century, and also officiated as a justice of the peace for many years. His residence is near Eagle Point. He was mar-ried to Mary Ann Trexler and they had four-teen children: Charles E., Edwin, Elma, Annie, William T., Frank J., George E., Alice, Mary A., Robert D., Herman, James, Clara, and Mabel.

Daniel P. Fister the younger son of Solomon, is a resident of Lynn township, in Lehigh county. He was born in Greenwich township, Berks county, April 28, 1839, and reared upon a farm, having afterward carried on farming on his fa-ther's property until 1875, when he removed to Lynn township and there continued farming until he retired, having purchased in 1889 the farm where he now lives. The tract is known as the Isaac Levan homestead and embraces 66 acres. In politics he is a Democrat, and he served as supervisor of the township for a time. On April 7, 1911, he was paralyzed and since then has been an invalid.

His wife was Catharine Grim, daughter of Reuben and Sarah (Wanner) Grim, and they have eleven children: Thomas G., Alton G., Lewis P. (who died in 1903, aged 38 years), Reuben H., Samuel W., Amanda J. (who died in 1905, aged 34 years), Elmira R. (married to Edgar D. Greenawald, having become his second wife in 1907), Emma C. (married to Wil-son Bachman), Mary S. (married to Dr. W. J. Fetherolf), H. Edwin, and Maggie M. (mar-ried to Edgar D. Greenawald, having been his first wife, born May 5, 1882, and died Septem-ber 23, 1903.)

Mr. Fister and his family are members of the New Jerusalem church, near Wessnersville, and



he is now serving the congregation as an elder.

THOMAS G. FISTER, the eldest son of Daniel P., school teacher of Lynn township, was born in the borough of Hamburg, Berks county, October 30, 1863. He received his education in the public schools of the township named and in the select school of Prof. Alvin Rupp at New Tripoli, and also at the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, from which he was graduated in 1885. He had, however, been licensed to teach in 1880, and began teaching when seventeen years old. His first term was at Rabert's Corner, in Lynn township, and he has continued teaching for thirty-two consecutive years. During the summer months he has been engaged at farming in the township named. He is a diligent student, has collected a fine library, and by his studious habits has become versed in literature, mathematics and pedagogics. In politics he is a Democrat, and he has served the township as one of the auditors.

REUBEN H. FISTER, the fourth son of Daniel P., is a prosperous farmer near New Tripoli in Lynn township, and recognized as one of the largest producers of superior potatoes. He was born at Stony Run, in Berks county, July 28, 1867, and when nineteen years old was placed with a tailor at Kutztown to learn the trade, but he followed it for only a short time. In 1890 he learned the creamery business and carried it on for twelve years at New Tripoli; and for one year he was in the employ of W. H. Hoffman, grain merchant at the place mentioned; then, in 1904, he purchased the Miller homestead near New Tripoli from his father-in-law, Reuben Miller, which embraces 112 acres of land some of which is superior for the cultivation of potatoes, and he plants annually from fifteen to eighteen acres in potatoes from which he has realized bountiful crops. He has also a peach orchard which contains 355 trees. In 1909 he planted 125 trees and 230 more in 1911.

This farm is an historic place, for on it in 1756 an atrocious murder was committed by the Indians by killing the wife of Abraham Sechler. A log house is still standing on the place which marks the spot where the brutal act was done. This house was probably built in 1750 by Johann Siegel, for he had obtained a warrant on August 22, 1749 for 100 acres of land, and it is believed that he went there and put up the house about that time. The western part of the house had no wood flooring until after 1800. Siegel sold the property to George Wertman, and Wertman sold it to Christian Christ who, in 1764, secured 28 more acres by patent, and in 1772 he conveyed the place to Frederick Sechler. At

that time the property was bounded by lands of George Zimmerman and George Seisloff.

Mr. Fister was married in 1892 to Alvena M. Miller, and they have six children: Edwin J., Helen M., Charles R. D. (who died in infancy), Vera R., Maggie C., and Edna A. He and his family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, and he is serving as one of the deacons. He has become affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics at New Tripoli.

H. Edwin Fister, youngest son of Daniel P., a farmer in the Kistler valley, was born August 23, 1877. In 1906 he began farming for himself as a tenant on the place where he now lives. This tract was formerly owned by David Heil, who sold it to David Kistler; then Kistler sold it to his son Henry F., who in 1892 erected a large modern barn on the place. James M. Braucher then became the owner and he sold it in 1908 to Mr. Fister, who in 1911 raised 2,500 bushels of potatoes on the farm. He was married first to Lila C., daughter of James M. Bachman, by whom he had one son, Howard J. She died April 15, 1907; then, on January 18, 1908, he married a second wife, Eva M. Gruber, and they have three children: Mary, Nevice and Paul.

George Fister, son of Durst, died about 1840. He was the proprietor of the Washington House at Kutztown for some years. His sons, John and David, both lived at Kutztown.

David Fister was born at Kutztown, Pa., and for many years he was a prominent man in the Democratic party in Berks county, serving the office of prothonotary from 1857 to 1860. He was married to Mary Scharadin of Kutztown, and they had the following children: Pastorius, George D., Col. Thomas D., Henry S., Calvin and Alinda married to W. V. Brensinger of Tamaqua, Pa.

Calvin Fister was born Nov. 10, 1849, at Kutztown, in Berks county. For some years he followed telegraphy there and later carried on the tinsmith business until he went to Alburtis, and then continued the latter until 1907, when he located at Allentown. He served as a school director at Kutztown, and also as Enumerator in the census compilation of 1880. He was married to Eliza Schaffer and they had four children: Charles D., John D., George D., and Edward J. His wife died Nov. 23, 1905, and is buried at Allentown.

CHARLES D. FISTER, merchant of Allentown, was born May 14, 1877, and educated in the public school, and at the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, after which he learned the

trade of tailor at Alburdis. Then he worked as a journeyman for two years at Bangor, Lehigh county, and for the next fifteen years was employed as a cutter in the large clothing establishment of Koch Brothers, at Allentown.

In 1912, Mr. Fister embarked in business for himself by uniting with his brother Edwin, and under the firm name of Fister Brothers. They have since carried on a grocery store in a successful manner at 15th and Chew streets, in Allentown. He is a member of Constantine Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the J. O. U. A. M., of the Knights of Friendship, and of the Lehigh Consistory.

In 1899 Mr. Fister was married to Lillie A. Blose, daughter of the late Dallas Blose and his wife, Mary (*nee* Sterner), and they have four children: Alma, Mary, Pearl and Paul. They are members of the St. Stephan's Lutheran Evangelical congregation.

GEORGE D. FISTER, brother of Charles D., merchant at Allentown, was born at Kutztown Dec. 28, 1880. He received his education in the local schools and summer normal school at Alburdis and Lynnville, and then entered the general store of W. B. Butz at Alburdis as a clerk, where he remained two years, after which he entered the store of his cousin, David Bensing, at Tamaqua and continued with him for two years. In 1904 he located at Allentown for the purpose of carrying on a store for himself, and since then at No. 129 S. 5th street has established a grocery business, which he has made a profitable undertaking.

Socially at Allentown Mr. Fister is a member of the P. O. S. of A. and of the Knights of Malta, and politically he is a Democrat. He organized the Allentown Merchants' Ice Co., which was incorporated with a capital of \$35,000 and established a fine plant at 5th street and Summer avenue, which has proven a successful enterprise. In 1912 the company established a modern electrical plant with an artesian well 318 feet deep. He was selected as one of the directors of the Board.

On April 14, 1896, Mr. Fister was married to Belle Wheeland, daughter of C. W. Wheeland and his wife Eliza (*nee* Schaffer) of Williamsport, Pa. They are members of the Zion Reformed congregation, of which he was elected as a deacon in 1912.

#### BERNHARD FLAMMER.

Bernhard Flammer was a resident of Rottweil, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. He was a brewer. He was married to Catherine Rieger and they had a son, Bernhard Flammer,

who was born March 31, 1874, at Rottweil, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany. He worked in his father's brewery, meantime attending the school of his native place, up to the age of fourteen years. At the age of fifteen years he left the Fatherland alone, sailing in the North German Lloyd Steamer "Saale," landing in New York. He came to Bethlehem with a friend, Andrew Maurer and found employment as bartender at E. Eckert's Hotel, where he remained six years. In 1896, he formed a partnership with Ferdinand Deinig, and they engaged in bottling soda and mineral waters at South Bethlehem, at first in rented quarters. In 1900 the present building was erected and a modern equipment was installed therein. In 1906 Mr. Flammer purchased his partner's interest, whereby he became the sole owner of the property. Mr. Flammer is a successful and enterprising business man and is a leader in his line of trade.

He is one of the oldest members of the Beethoven Männerchor, having been president and vice-president of the society. He is a member of Salem Reformed church, and of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles. Bernhard Flammer was married in 1903 to Minnie Wuchter, daughter of Reuben Wuchter, of Shimers' Station, this county. Issue, an only son, Russell B. Flammer.

#### FLUCK FAMILY.

Peter Fluck, a laborer, lived in Springfield township, Bucks county, about two miles from Coopersburg. He was married to Mary Haefler, who died some years before him. He died about 1846, aged 65 years. Both are buried at the Red church, at Zionsville. Their children were as follows: Jacob; Adam; Peter; Ephraim; Hannah, married (first) to Tobias Gross, and (second) to Joseph Richert; Elizabeth was the wife of ——— Ulrich, a native of Germany; and Hettie, married to Jonas Yohe.

Jacob Fluck, son of Peter, lived at Trumbauersville and from there removed upon his own tract of land near Coopersburg. He was a laborer and made the "blacksnake" driving whips. He and his family were members of the Evangelical Church. He married Mary (Polly) Kucher, who died in 1901, aged 74 years. He died in 1900, aged 72 years. Their children were: Samuel; Oliver K.; Willoughby; Jacob; Jeremiah; Hannah, married to Emanuel Clewell; Matilda; Ella; Mary, married to S. Reinhard; and Lucinda, married to Jacob Mann.

Oliver K. Fluck, of Allentown, was born in 1834, at Trumbauersville. He had followed the shoemaking trade in Ohio for one and one-half years. In 1860 he removed to Coopersburg, Pa., and in 1863 he came to Allentown. He made



shoes at 129 Hamilton street for eighteen years, then at 305-7 Hamilton street, where he conducted a shoe store up to his retirement in 1904, at which time he was succeeded by his son, Charles R. Fluck.

He and family worship in Calvary M. E. church, in which he has been an active member for many years.

He married (first) Mary Haldeman and (second, in 1865,) Sarah Miller. The children by his first wife are: Josephine, married to A. Geary; and Emma L., married to Henry Wolf. The children by his second wife are: Charles R.; and Alice J., married to D. Santee.

Charles R. Fluck, son of Oliver K., was born in 1873, in the old First ward. He married Jennie R., a daughter of David Merkel, a retired liquor dealer. They have one daughter, Louise M. Fluck.

Peter Fluck, son of Peter, was born in Bucks county. He was a laborer. He died in 1862, aged 27 years and is buried in the Coopersburg cemetery. He was married to Matilda Heckman, who is now (1913) seventy-five years of age. She is a daughter of Michael and Charlotte (Buchecker) Heckman. She was married (second) to John Fink, who is also deceased. Her first marriage was blessed with three children, viz: Oliver, who died, aged eleven years; Milton F.; and Emma, widow of L. Schaffer, a boiler-maker, who met an accidental death.

MILTON F. FLUCK, of Allentown, was born in Upper Saucon township, June 26, 1860. He was reared upon the farm and attended the township schools. He was left an orphan at the age of two years after which he was reared in the family of Samuel Schelly, in Springfield township, Bucks county. After he was sixteen years old he came back to Upper Saucon township where he worked in zinc mines for two years, and afterward he was employed in a powder-mill in Salisbury township. In 1881 he became Allentown to accept a position as foreman and later as engineer with the Allentown Electric Light & Power Company. In about 1885 he became engineer for the Allentown and Bethlehem Transit Company. Afterward for one year he served as engineer for the Brooklyn (New York) Rapid Transit Company and for three years was engineer for the Allentown and Kutztown Transit Company. He was then engaged in the grocery business in South Allentown for two years. In 1904 he accepted his present position, that of chief engineer of the G. H. Baer Furniture Company. This position he has served up to the present time.

He holds membership in the following organizations: Lehigh Council, No. 15, Order

American Steam Engineers; the South Allentown Beneficial Association; and in politics he is a Republican.

On Aug. 4, 1884, he was married to Lena Wagner, a daughter of Henry and Erma C. (Noll) Wagner. They have five children, viz: Robert L.; Amelia, married to John Eck; Estella, married to William Ainey, Jr., of Allentown; Edwin; and Florence, married to Edwin Roth.

The widow of Peter Fluck married (second) John Frick, son of Henry Frick, of Upper Saucon township. Unto them were born six children, three of whom died in infancy. The other three are: Alice, married to Albert Kehm; Ida, married to W. Whitehouse; and Charles Frick.

#### FLIEHR FAMILY.

Rev. Charles B. Fliehr was a native of Midweita, Saxony, Germany. He came to America when a young man, locating first in Macungie township, Lehigh county, following his trade of general weaving. He later removed to Weissport, Carbon Co., Pa., where he carried on his trade until he entered the ministry of the Evangelical Association, about 1863. He was successfully stationed at Bangor, Easton, Catasauqua, Allentown and Philadelphia, also in Brooklyn, N. Y. and New York City. He died at Macungie in 1885 and was interred at Emaus.

He was married by Rev. Francis Hoffman April 18, 1847, to Catherine Herman, born about 1815 at Korb Wurtemberg, Germany. She was about four years of age when her parents emigrated to America and settled in York Co., Pa. Her parents soon died and the children were scattered, she going to Philadelphia on foot to seek a home. She died in Allentown, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Schuler, Dec. 31, 1900. Since Mr. Fliehr's decease she lived mostly among her children. She was converted when young and became a member of the Evangelical Association. Their children were: Charles B., of Jewell, Kansas; Solomon R., of Va.; Pauline, married Henry Schuler, of Allentown; Aaron of Phila.; Harrietta (Mrs. Steitzel), and Hon. Daniel H., of Coopersburg.

Hon. Daniel H. Fliehr, of Coopersburg, was born May 12, 1858, in Franklin township, Carbon Co., Pa. He attended the public schools and at 14 years of age was apprenticed to learn the tinsmith and plumbing trades. He located in Coopersburg in Sept., 1879, served as a member of town council for nine years; elected as a member of the state legislature from Lehigh county, in Nov., 1904. He married, about 1879, Sallie Eckert, daughter of Peter and Elemina (Newcomer) Eckert.

## F. WM. FLORES.

Thomas J. Flores was born in Hanover township. He was educated in the public schools and became a dairyman, hauling milk to Allentown and Catasauqua for several years and at the same time conducted an ice cream and confectionery store in the basement of the present store building, the present store being the outcome of the earlier enterprise.

In this building the Rittersville postoffice was kept for some years, but was discontinued after the R. F. D. was established. He married Christiana Reeser. Issue: Charles; Louvine; Floyd; and Harry, all of whom are deceased; F. William; Lizzie, (Mrs. Charles Marlin); Mary, (Mrs. John Shireman); Carrie, (Mrs. Oliver Folk); Emma, (Mrs. William Hoffert); Lillie, (Mrs. Henry Esch); and Edith, (Mrs. Warren Ritter).

F. WILLIAM FLORES, son of Thomas and Christiana (Reeser) Flores, was born Feb. 7, 1889, at Rittersville. He was educated in the public schools and in his spare time assisted in his father's work. After attaining manhood, he was employed for a short time by the Dorney Furniture Company, after which he learned the silk ribbon trade, following this line for a while, then entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Works, where he continued until 1910. He then established himself in the mercantile business at Rittersville. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and of the Lutheran Church.

F. William Flores married, March 7, 1898, Ardie M. Fehr, daughter of Richard and Laura (Ruth) Fehr. Issue: Mildred E., and Kenneth F. Flores.

## DR. JOHN C. FOELKER.

Dr. John C. Foelker was born in Oberamt Heidenheim, Wurtemberg, Germany, June 22, 1835, son of Jacob and Rosina (Wulz) Foelker. He pursued his early studies in his native place, passing through all the grades of its schools to the highest when he entered the veterinary college at Stuttgart where he made his professional studies. Seeking a wider field he emigrated from his native country in January, 1849, arriving at Allentown in the same year. His five subsequent years were spent with Dr. Heckenberger in Catasauqua, adding a knowledge of practice to his already acquired theory. He then opened his office at his present place, 119 South Seventh street, Allentown, where he successfully pursued his calling these fifty-four years. His life since then is part of our history and his pleasant good nature has been familiar to all

Allentown for more than one-half century. The skill of this veteran veterinary surgeon is known to the entire Lehigh valley and he has rendered valuable services to the farmers and horse-owners of this city and county.

Dr. Foelker is an independent voter, and served the Second ward as school director for two terms. He was a director of the Second National Bank for many years. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. He was married Jan. 20, 1859, to Sarah Ann E. Koehler, a daughter of Samuel and Lucy (Beary) Koehler, of Hanover township. She was born June 15, 1837, and died April 3, 1897, aged fifty-nine years, and they had these children: Samuel J.; Ellen S., died unmarried; Jacob F.; Rosa A., died single; George R., an upholsterer, of Allentown; Mary B., who keeps house for her father; Albert U., a plumber and gas fitter of Reading.

DR. SAMUEL J. FOELKER was born at Allentown, Jan. 30, 1859. His school days were those of other Allentown boys. Later on he attended the Allentown high school, and was then sent to the Ontario Veterinary College, at Toronto, Canada, in the spring of 1877. Whereafter he graduated with honors, April 6, 1879, receiving two medals of the highest honors in every branch. Upon his return to Allentown he became his father's partner under the name of John C. Foelker & Son, and this firm continues to this time. The office continues to be at 119 South Seventh street. He married, April 12, 1885, Emma A. Willebecher, daughter of William Willebecher. They have a daughter, Ruth E., married to William T. Minnich, a stenographer and bookkeeper, at Allentown.

Dr. Jacob Foelker was born Dec. 29, 1863, and like his brother, the Allentown schools furnished his education. Later he also went to the Ontario Veterinary College, where he remained two sessions and then attended the American Veterinary College, in New York City, from which he graduated in 1885. He too became a member of the firm under the title of John C. Foelker & Sons, but some years later he went to Keokuk, Iowa, and from there to Missouri. He was married and has one daughter, Sarah A. E., who is a cultured young lady.

## PROF. HOWARD A. FOERING.

H. A. Foering, head master of the Bethlehem Preparatory School, is the fifth descendant of Christian Frederick Foering. The latter's father was a soldier in Hanover, Prussia, whose wife feared that their son would be similarly impressed into the service. In order to escape this dreaded event she tied her boy to her back, skated across the Rhine and took the boat for America, where



she landed in 1743 when Christian Frederick Foering was seven years old. On growing to manhood Christian Frederick Foering entered the ministry of the Dutch Reformed Church and was stationed first at Germantown, Pa., then in New York City, and later at Millstone, N. J., where he died in 1779. In 1767 he married Margaret Miller, of Germantown and had four sons, Samuel, born 1770; John, born 1773; Frederick, born 1776; Abraham, born 1779. Frederick Foering was the father of seven children, of which the third, George Washington Foering, born in 1812, in early manhood settled at Locust Valley at the lower end of Lehigh county, about 1839. Mr. George Washington Foering became very prominent in the history of Lehigh county and was associated in many enterprises. He was largely instrumental in the earlier development of the Friedensville Zinc Mines. Prior to the Civil War he was a staunch Democrat and supported the policies of Pierce and Buchanan, the latter of whom he gave strong support in his fight for the nomination for president, and Mr. Buchanan during this preliminary contest paid Mr. Foering a personal visit at Locust Valley. Upon the breaking out of the Civil War Mr. Foering became a strong supporter of Lincoln and his policies and was employed at Washington during part of Lincoln's first administration. Mr. Foering also assisted in various ways in the raising of volunteers for the Union army in the early days of the war. He was a prominent speaker at meetings for this purpose, held at Allentown and other parts of the county. He was at one time a strong candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress. He married Clementine Hoeckley, of Philadelphia, in 1837, and had one son, William Frederick Foering born in 1838. Geo. W. Foering died in 1880 and is buried at Woodland cemetery (Blue Church), Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. The latter spent practically all of his life at Locust Valley and in Feb., 1867, married Julia Jacoby, daughter of John and Mary Jacoby. He had three children, Howard A., Ada A. and Elwood.

Howard A. Foering was born at Locust Valley Nov. 24, 1867. His early life was spent at Locust Valley on his father's farm. In 1883 and 1884 he attended the South Bethlehem, Pa., High school and prepared for Lehigh University. He taught the district school at Zion Hill, Bucks Co., one year, the winter 1885-1886. In 1886 he entered Lehigh University from which he was graduated in June, 1890. On March 3, 1890, prior to his graduation, he began to teach for Dr. William Ulrich, in the school he was later to become the head. In 1897 Dr. Ulrich died and Prof. Foering by purchase became sole proprietor.

In 1901 the school was incorporated and removed from 26 So. New St., to West Bethlehem.

Prof. Foering has always been identified with progressive and public spirited movements. He has been a member of the Joint Bridge Commission from its inception about 1903 to the time of this writing (1913). He is also a director and prime mover in the efforts to build the Minsi Trail Bridge. He is also a member of the real estate firm of Foering and Heller; and his popularity is an evidence of the respect and esteem placed upon him by his fellow citizens who know him as a man with an irreproachable character and of service. He has been a director of the Bethlehem Trust Company since its organization is vice-president.

In 1903 Mr. Foering married Elizabeth Hartzell, daughter of Dr. W. H. Hartzel, of Allentown. The result of this union was one child, Louise Julia. His first wife was killed in an accident in 1905. In 1908 he married Helen R. Wilbur, daughter of William G. and Anna Wilbur, of Fishers Island, by whom he had two children, Howard A. Foering, Jr., born 1910, and Ada C., born in 1912.

#### FOGEL FAMILY.

Philip Gabriel von Vogel, a native of Hanan, Chur Hesse, Germany, emigrated to America upon the ship "Samuel," which landed at Philadelphia, Aug. 17, 1731. He was a son of Philip Carl August von Vogel, a dragon of the Royal Prussian Cavalry, and he died in 1791. To them the patent of nobility was granted Oct. 2, 1786. Upon arrival of the American ancestor, he located in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, but in 1734 he removed to Lynn township, now Lehigh county, where he owned more than 500 acres of land situated along the north side of the Schochary hills, near New Tripoli, Pa. The homestead property is now owned by Jacob Mosser. There the pioneer ancestor of the von Vogel family is buried in a private burying ground situated about 125 feet due south from the present brick house occupied by Mr. Mosser.

Philip Gabriel von Vogel upon settling in Lynn township, erected a most substantial log house, which served as a fort and place of refuge for himself and the settlers of the surrounding locality against the attack of savage Indians between the years of 1755 and 1763. [See History of Vogel House in Lynn township.] The house also was the nucleus of the Reformed branch of the Ebenezer church, at New Tripoli, and in it the first store was kept in the township, which business was continued for more than a century.

The pioneer was the father of five children, viz: Conrad; Johann; Jacob; Mrs. Weber,

whose descendants still reside in the same locality; and a Mrs. Smith.

Conrad Vogel, the oldest son of Philip Gabriel, had these children born in Lynn township: John; Philip; Mrs. Shade; Mrs. Haas; and Mrs. J. Peter Trexler. Conrad Vogel died and his widow married Johann Vogel, her first husband's brother. They had the following children: Jacob; Conrad; Henry; Mrs. Solomon Griesemer; Mrs. Anna M. Mohr; Margaret, wife of Thomas Wilson; and Solomon. Of the above sons, Jacob died at Philadelphia, and Conrad and Henry died for the freedom of their country in the Revolutionary War.

John Vogel, son of Conrad, the oldest son of Philip Gabriel, was born Sept. 15, 1753, in Lynn township. He moved to Upper Macungie township, near Fogelsville, and died April 25, 1816. He married Rosina Shade, born in 1752 and died in 1812. They were the first couple united in marriage by Rev. Philip Heinrich Rapp at the Lehigh church.

Solomon Fogel moved near to Breinigsville. His wife was Maria Breinig, daughter of Col. George Breinig, of Revolutionary War fame.

John Fogel, son of Conrad, was an officer of high rank in the Revolutionary War. He was a farmer at Fogelsville. He was married and had the following children: John; Jacob; Benjamin; Salome, was the wife of the grandfather of the late Dr. F. J. Slouch, of Allentown; Margaret married Mr. Becker; Mary (Polly), married Jacob Rupp.

Hon John Fogel, son of John, son of Conrad, son of Philip Gabriel von Vogel, was born Aug. 12, 1774, died Sept. 7, 1838. He was the associate judge of Lehigh county from 1815 to 1823. He built the first hotel and founded Fogelsville in 1798. By trade he was a blue dyer. He was married to Catharine Stettler and they had one son, Solomon, and one daughter, Sallie, married to Jacob Schantz.

Solomon Fogel, son of John, was born Feb. 11, 1801, died Aug. 22, 1868. He married Anna Stahler, born April 16, 1807, died Jan. 28, 1885. They lived at Fogelsville and are buried there in the village graveyard. He was justice of the peace for many years, and was one of the organizers of the Catasauqua & Fogelsville Railroad. They had the following children:

Rev. Edwin J. Fogel, D.D., who was a leading divine of the Reformed Church; was the beloved pastor of the Jordan charge for half a century and was the father of one daughter, Minnie, and two sons, Edwin M., and Philip C.

Dr. Edwin M. Fogel, Ph.D., is a professor in the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Philip C. Fogel, Ph.D., is a professor in the Princeton University.

Llewellyn, who was married, lived and died at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He had two daughters.

Mary, married Enos Erdman. Their children were Mamie; Annie C., wife of Rev. H. R. Kline, rector Grace Episcopal church, Allentown; Ella; Enos, of Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.; and Sallie, deceased.

Caroline, married Ephraim Troxell. They have Dr. Edgar, of Pittston; and Miss Rosa of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Matilda, who died in 1913, was married to Edwin Mickley. They have Anna D., widow of Capt. Joseph Mickley, U. S. N.; Lillie E., married to Mr. Guernsey, of Philadelphia; a son, John J.; and Miss Minnie F., a noted genealogist, residing at Washington, D. C.

Clara, married Mr. Horn. They have one son.

Mrs. Emma Enos, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Katura, the deceased wife of Prof. F. H. Kuder. Issue: Frank, and Edwin.

Amanda, wife of Rev. William H. Helffrich, D.D. They had four sons, viz: Rev. William, of Bath; Dr. John, of Allentown; the late Rev. Nevin Helffrich; and Dr. Calvin, of Fogelsville. Malinda, unmarried.

Agnes, unmarried.

General Benjamin Fogel, son of John, was born Nov. 8, 1790, died March 8, 1869. He was married to Anna Trexler, who was born Nov. 10, 1794, died Feb. 21, 1885, aged 90 years, 3 months and 11 days. They are buried at Fogelsville, where many generations of the Fogel family are buried. He was coroner of Lehigh county in 1824; member of the House of Representatives, at Harrisburg, in 1845; and a General of the State Militia of Pennsylvania for many years. Their children were as follows: Willoughby, William B., Rosina, John H., Eliza, Amelia.

Hon. Willoughby Fogel, son of Benjamin, was born Feb. 20, 1815, died April 27, 1872. He was associate judge of Lehigh county from 1856 to 1866. He married Maria Herman, daughter of Rev. Charles G. and Esther (Sassamanhausen) Herman, of Maxatawny township. They are buried at Fogelsville, where they were devoted members of the Reformed congregation. Their children follow: Josephine H. E.; Achilles J., died in Chicago in 1911, his wife was Mary Albright, a descendant of the Fogel family which had settled at Leavenworth, Kansas, where Mr. Fogel is buried; Robert, died in Toledo, Ohio, in 1897, he is buried at Fogelsville, Pa.; Dora R., died unmarried in 1885, and is buried at Fogelsville, Pa.

SOLOMON C. FOGEL, a noted physician at Al-



lontown, Pa., is the youngest son of Hon. Willoughby and Maria (Herman) Fogel, of Fogelsville. He was educated in the public schools at Fogelsville, Muhlenberg College, at Allentown, and graduated in medicine in the University of Pennsylvania in 1874. Dr. Fogel began the practice of the profession at Fogelsville, where his success was pronounced, having had a very large practice, until his removal to Allentown in 1900. He resides in a handsome residence at 36 North Twelfth street, and continues in the profession in which he is held in the highest esteem. He has membership in the Lehigh County Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. Dr. Fogel is also an enthusiastic member of the National Geographic Society. The remarkable clear and accurate memory of Dr. Fogel places him in the front rank of local historians. His knowledge of the history of his locality and its peoples has made him an asset in the compilations of many family genealogies, whose compilers are his debtors. He has one of the best amateur collections of chinaware in eastern Pennsylvania; his Indian relics and his very excellent water color paintings of Rev. Frederick Herman, D.D., and his wife Maria, *nee* Feit; of Jacob Sassamanhausen and his wife Maria, *nee* Grim; and the paintings executed in 1818 of his great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fogel (Vogel), give his home the appearance of a museum.

Dr. Solon C. B. Fogel was married to Lizzie L. Kline, daughter of the late Hon. James F. and Mary (Kern) Kline. They have two sons: Frederick K., graduated from the Bethlehem Preparatory School, and took a course in electrical engineering in the University of Pennsylvania; is now a member of the Crescent Electric Company, at Allentown; Herman K., a graduate of the Allentown Preparatory School, took a chemical course in the Muhlenberg College, and is now an analytic chemist.

William B. Fogel, son of General Benjamin Fogel, was married to Mary Kramlich, had two sons and four daughters, namely: Mary, who died young, is buried at Trexlertown; Ellen, married to Jacob L. Grim, of Bethlehem; Frank, a wholesale grain and lumber dealer at Allentown; Richard, deceased, was married to Ella Butz, he died in 1903, no issue; Alice; and Lillie, widow of Frank Lichtenwalner.

Hon. John H. Fogel, who was a member of the state legislature for three terms, resided at Fogelsville, where he lived retired for many years. He married Caroline Lichtenwalner, who died in 1898. He was born Oct. 30, 1825, died in 1906. They had an only daughter, Mary, wife of David H. Schall, of Dale, Pa. They have two sons: D. Horace, a medical practitioner in

Dunbar, Nebraska; and John Fogel Schall, residing at home.

Rosina Fogel, daughter of the Honorable Benjamin Fogel, was married to John R. Schall. Both are buried in Fairview cemetery, Allentown. They had two sons and two daughters, viz: Mary, widow of Hon. C. J. Erdman; Charles D., alderman of the Eleventh ward, Allentown; Rosina, widow of Tilghman Diehl; and Harry B., secretary of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society.

Eliza Fogel, daughter of the Honorable Benjamin Fogel, was married to George Deily, of Catasauqua. They have a daughter, Mary, married to Peter J. Laubach, a foremost business man of Northampton, Pa.; and George B., a most substantial citizen of Catasauqua.

Amelia C. Fogel, the youngest child of Benjamin Fogel, married (first) William C. Lichtenwalner, and (second) T. Frank Butz. Her first husband died in 1873. They had the following children: W. Allen, of California; Ellis, deceased; John B., a prominent physician at Omaha, Nebraska; Nora, deceased, wife of Edgar Shimer, Allentown; Irene P., wife of L. L. Anawald, leading hat merchant, Allentown; Fred H., secretary and treasurer of the Citizens Deposit & Trust Company, Allentown; Amelia C. By her second husband, Amelia C. Fogel Lichtenwalner Butz had no issue.

#### NORTHAMPTON COUNTY FOGEL FAMILY.

Abraham Fogel was born and reared at Stuebentown, near Bath, Pa. He was born in 1762, and died in 1846, and is buried at the Indian Land church. He was a saw-mill operator, and helped to cut down a number of groves in Lehigh and Northampton counties.

He was married to Miss Billheimer, of Bath. Issue: Jacob, lived and died at Catasauqua; John, lived in Little Moore township; Michael, lived in Pennsville, and was a merchant; Joseph, mentioned later; Mrs. Thomas Heckman, who lived in Bushkill township, near Monroe county.

John Fogel, son of Abraham, was born in 1797, died in 1880. He is buried at the Little Moore township church. He was a cooper by trade, and also conducted a farm for some years.

He was married to Kate Henry, who was reared near Danielsville. She died aged 40 years, and was the mother of 14 children, ten of whom survived her: Lovina, wife of Stephen Wert; Elizabeth, wife of Samuel Oplinger, of Schnecks-ville; Kate, wife of Reuben, of Seemsville; John, of Danielsville; Joseph, of Coplay; Stephen, of Millport; William; and Abraham, of the Cunningham Valley.

Joseph Fogel, son of John and Kate (Henry)

Fogel, was born Sept. 26, 1831, and died in 1912. He followed boating for nine seasons. He learned the slating business at Mauch Chunk. Later he opened a slate quarry near Robesonia, in Berks county, which he operated for some time. In 1898 he engaged in the dairy business at Coplay, which he conducted until 1912, when he retired.

Mr. Fogel took an active interest in the politics of Coplay, having held the office of councilman for thirteen years. He was a member of the Lutheran Church.

In 1855 he married Kate Schaeffer, a daughter of George and Polly (Bush) Schaeffer, of Danielsville. She died Feb. 1, 1891. They had these children: George, married to Carrie Kessler, who died in 1904; Newman and Alvin E., of West Coplay; James, of Coplay; Walter, deceased; and Laura.

ALVIN E. VOGEL, son of Joseph, was born at Danielsville, March 12, 1863. He was reared in the slate industry, and when 18 years of age, began railroading with the Thomas Iron Company, and was in their employ four years.

In 1883 he entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley R. R., and continued with them until 1900. In 1897 he lost his right arm in the Mahoning freight yards at Lehigh. In 1899 he built the West End Hotel at West Coplay (Stiles) P. O. His hotel was licensed in 1901, and he has been its proprietor ever since. The hotel has eighteen well furnished rooms.

He holds membership in the following organizations: Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Jr. O. U. A. M.; Knights of Mystic Chain, and Loyal Order of Moose.

He was married in 1887, to Sarah Stofflet. She died in 1887. They had a daughter, Mabel, married to John Miller. Mr. Fogel married (second) Hannah Youse, a daughter of Gideon and Maria Youse. Unto them are born the following children: Morris H., George Y., Francis, and Newman J.

Joseph Fogel, son of Abraham, was a cabinet maker and undertaker, lived for a time on a small farm at Petersville, and from there he moved to Pennsville, then to Whitehall township and finally to Wilkes-Barre, where he died, but he was buried at the Howertown church, of which he and family were members of the Reformed congregation. He was first married to Mary Bichey, a daughter of Peter and Kate (Schwartz) Bichey, and their children were: William H.; Catharine, m. Joseph Scheirer; Mary, m. Charles Trumbaur; Susan, single; Henrietta, m. Joseph Kurtz; and Joseph.

Joseph Fogel married as his second wife Mary Williams, who was a daughter of John Williams.

They had these children: John; Amanda, m. John Gracely; and Elvin.

WILLIAM H. FOGEL, a resident of Coplay, was born in Northampton county, Dec. 31, 1843, and there worked upon the farm until he was nineteen years of age. Afterward he learned the carpenter trade. In 1864 he enlisted in the Civil War, in Company G, 81st Regiment, First Brigade, First Division, 2d Army Corps, under Col. McKiernan and Capt. John Patton. After the war at different times he was clerk in a hotel at Mauch Chunk; had charge of lime kilns at Cementon and worked for the Coplay Cement Company. Later Mr. Fogel operated the Philip Strauss farm for four years; the Peter Strauss farm for one year; the John Koch farm for some time; and for fifteen years he farmed successfully the Hon. Jeremiah Roth farm near Allentown. He then moved to Egypt where he built himself a modern residence in which he since lives, and for five years he was employed by the American Cement Company and for four years he was foreman in the quarry for the Whitehall Cement Company. In 1909 he accepted the janitorship of the public school building in Egypt and this position he since serves.

Politically he is a Republican and he served Whitehall township as a supervisor. He is a member of the E. B. Young Post, No. 87, G. A. R., and the Hamilton Castle, No. 483, K. G. E., both of Allentown; and he and family are members of the Reformed congregation at Egypt.

He married Maria Kohler, a daughter of Joshua Kohler and they have one son, Herbert C., who was born April 20, 1880. He was educated in the public schools at Allentown. He is an engineer and since 1904 he runs a steam shovel being employed by the Lawrence Cement Company. On June 1, 1901, he married Mamie Weaver. She is a daughter of Tilghman and Mary (Landis) Weaver. They have a daughter, Ida M.

#### BENJAMIN D. FOLCK.

Benjamin Diener Folck, farmer of Weisenberg township, was born April 13, 1846. He was educated in the township school and reared on his father's farm until he became twenty-one years old, having in this time learned the trade of carpenter. He was then engaged as a clerk in Mohr's general store, near the Ziegel Church, for five years, and afterward followed his trade for thirty years. Since 1902 he has carried on farming where he now resides. He served as a township auditor, and when the Ziegel Church was rebuilt the second time he was a member of the building committee.



Mr. Folck was married to Louisa Zimmerman, of Upper Macungie, daughter of Nathan, and they had two sons, John and William. John was married in 1907 to Edna Kuhns (daughter of George) and they have one child, Goldie; and William was married in 1909 to Lottie Oldt (daughter of Oliver) and they have one child, Lester.

Samuel Folck, the father of Benjamin, was born in Richmond township, Berks county, in 1802, where he was reared on a farm and then learned the trade of carpenter. In 1823 he went to Weisenberg township, and purchased a small improved farm of 25 acres which he cultivated in connection with carrying on his trade until his decease in 1877. He was married twice. His first wife was Maria Leibensperger, by whom he had three children: Elizabeth (m. William Zimmerman); Polly (m. Amos Zimmerman); and Carolina (m. Peter Diener). His second wife was Catharine Diener (daughter of John, a farmer of Long-swamp township), by whom he had eight children: Samuel (who was enlisted in the Civil War from 1862 to 1865 and upon his discharge, he went to Transitville, in Tippecanoe county, Indiana, where he married and died in 1867); Matilda (m. James Neff); Eliza (m. David Schmidt); John (died in 1866, aged 26 years); Catharine (m. Charles Schmoyer); Benjamin; Mary Ann (m. Abraham Treichler); and Sarah (m. Alfred Ziegler). The grandfather of Benjamin was Jacob.

John Diener, the father of Benjamin Folck's mother, owned the farm where the Topton Orphans' Home is situated. He was married to Mollie Fisher and they had nine children: John, Amos, Henry, Peter, Diana, Rachel, Catharine, Ariah, Maria.

Nathan Zimmerman, the father of Mr. Folck's wife, was a wheel-wright in Upper Macungie, near Ziegel's Church, and there he died in 1883, aged 61 years. He was married to Anna Schmidt, daughter of David, of Lowhill, and they had seven children: Lenneus (m. Emma Sheldon); Caroline (m. William Fries); and Louisa; and four died young (Amanda, Elminda, Susanna and Benjamin). Her grandfather was George Zimmerman, a farmer of Upper Macungie, who died in 1870, at the age of 80 years. He was married to Diana Schaeffer, daughter of Michael, of Upper Macungie, and they had eight children: George (who died at the age of 28 years); William (m. Elizabeth Folck); Nathan; Reuben (m. Mary Blose); James (m. Misseta Diehl); Maria (m. Gideon Kemmerer); Sarah (m. Nathan Schmidt); and Kitty (died five years ago).

#### FOLLWEILER FAMILY.

Bernhardt Follweiler, a native of Switzerland, came to America before the close of the first half of the eighteenth century, settling in Allemängel, in Lynn, in what is now Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. He took out a warrant for about 100 acres of land that is now owned by Edwin Schitz. Pioneer Follweiler left two sons: Ferdinand and Daniel, also one daughter, Susanna, who first married John Brobst. He died young. She afterward married a Taylor, and they moved to Ohio.

In the tax list of 1756, of Albany township, appears the name of Henry Follweiler. The Pennsylvania archives record his name among the soldiers in a volunteer company of "Allemängel and Lynn" in 1756, which were out on the Indian frontier for thirty-nine days. The connection between Henry Follweiler and Bernhardt Follweiler is not known, but that they were related there can be no doubt. On the farm of John B. Follweiler, near Wannamakers, is a log house, that was built before the French and Indian War (1755-1758). A cut of the house is produced herewith. This farm is part of the homestead of the pioneer, and he built this house. He was an Indian fighter and the claim was made that he had a charmed ("kugelfest") life. He was a terror to the savages.

Ferdinand Follweiler, the oldest son of Bernhardt, was born Feb. 17, 1765, died April 1, 1884, in his eightieth year. He obtained the homestead farm. He served as a captain of the State Militia, and at the time of the Whisky Insurrection in 1794, he called his men together and urged them to go with him to war; they refused; then he went to Lancaster, Pa., and there joined the militia without them. The agitation at the time was intense and public opinion was quite evenly divided. Upon his return home, Ferdinand and his brother Daniel were antagonistic in politics, Federalist and Democrat, and always remained antagonistic in politics. Mrs. Follweiler was born Aug. 11, 1767, died Oct. 18, 1838. Their many children follow:

Daniel; Henry; Ferdinand; Jonas; Israel; Anna; Maria (Gruver); Catharine (Eckenrode); Magdalena, married Daniel Brobst; Susanna, married Henry Brobst; Leah (Eckenrode); Rachel, married Adam Lynn.

Daniel lived in West Penn township, Schuylkill county; Henry, Ferdinand, Jonas and Israel remained in Lynn township and died there, and are buried at Jacksonville. The daughters were married and several with their families moved to Ohio.

Daniel Follweiler, the oldest son of Ferdinand,

moved across the Blue mountain into West Penn township, Schuylkill county. He was a farmer. He died in the late summer of 1865, aged about seventy years. He is buried at the West Penn church.

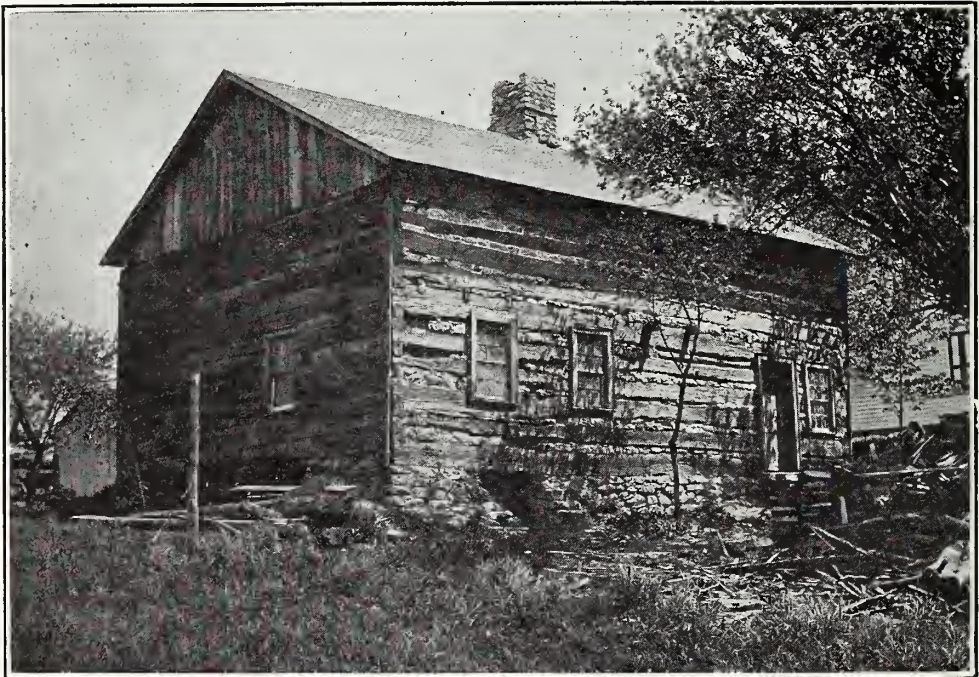
His wife, Rebecca Straub, died with their son John, at Jacksonville, where she was also buried. Their children were: Daniel; John; Wilson; Susan; Catharine; Reuben; Mary, married Daniel Correll; Leah, married Abraham Merkel; and Lovina Hauser.

Captain Daniel Follweiler, son of Daniel, was born Nov. 29, 1818, died in September, 1865. He is buried at New Tripoli, where the "Foll-

bers of the family who had the same name. He had a twenty-eight acre farm. He served as captain of the State Militia and made a fine appearance in the uniform which had brass buttons, and he wore shining epaulets on his shoulders.

He was married three times, first, to Lovina Reitz. They had no issue. His second wife was Priscilla Stoyer. They had these children: James, John, William, Jonas, Maria, and Lizzie, the widow of William Berk. The third wife was Lydia Krause. Their children were: Sarah, Janetta, Charles, Tillie and Oliver F., of Slate-dale, Pa.

Owen H. C. Follweiler, the oldest son of



HOMESTEAD OF BERNHARDT FOLLWEILER, BUILT PRIOR TO 1755.

weiler Monument" marks his grave. He had a small farm in Lynn; was captain of the Light Horse Militia; held public office many years, and was a man of much influence in his district. He was a Whig and later an uncompromising Republican.

In 1844, he married Mary, daughter of Andreas Reitz. She was born in 1824, died in 1896. Their children were: Owen H. C., Emma R., Diana, Jane A., Polly E., Anson A., and Amanda H.

John Follweiler, son of Daniel, was a shoemaker in Lynn township until seventeen years before he died. He was locally known as "Shoemaker John" to distinguish him from other mem-

Daniel, was a carpenter up to the time of his marriage, after which he was an engineer on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad and lived at Catawissa, Pa., from which place he moved to Upper Macungie township in 1884. At the latter place he worked in the ore mines a short time, then moved to Albany, Berks county, and for five years he worked on the railroad on the repair crew. He moved from the latter place near to Pleasant Corner and finally to Allentown, where he died, but is buried at New Tripoli. His wife Elizabeth was a daughter of William and Sallie Shugars, of Shenandoah, Pa. Their children were: Minnie, who died aged three years; Joseph E., of Allentown; and William A.



WILLIAM A. FOLLWEILER, of Catasauqua, is a member of the firm of Hoffman & Follweiler, and of the Catasauqua Construction Company. He was born Jan. 19, 1874, at Catawissa, Pa. He learned the cabinet making trade from W. A. Reinert, at New Tripoli, and remained in his employ about six years. In 1892 he went to Allentown and was employed by the Allentown Transit Company, remaining in that city until 1897, then came to Catasauqua where he first followed painting and later clerked in the store. Mr. Follweiler formed a partnership with Alvin J. Hoffman under the firm name of Hoffman & Follweiler, and they purchased the ice business from John Hoffman and are engaged in general hauling. In 1910 they added general construction and cement work. The firm now employs from thirty to forty-five men, and uses twenty-five head of horses. The Catasauqua Construction Company made the foundation for the large high school building at Catasauqua, built in 1911, and did all the cement work at this building. They also made the foundation for the silk mill in North Catasauqua. In 1893, he married Cora A. Wertman, daughter of Lewis and Matilda (Guildner) Wertman. Mr. and Mrs. Follweiler worship in the Reformed Church. He is a member of the K. G. E. They have these five children: Lillian May, Helen Irene, Warren C., William H. C., and Evelyn Marie.

Daniel Follweiler, the second son of the pioneer Bernhardt, was born in Lynn township, Oct. 2, 1769, died Feb. 14, 1847. He was married to Maria Dorothea Leaser, born May 15, 1769, died May 25, 1828. She was a daughter of Frederick Leaser, who died in 1810. The latter hauled the Liberty Bell from Philadelphia to Allentown in 1777. Daniel Follweiler settled on the Leaser homestead, situated near Wannamaker's, and there died and left these children:

Maria, born 1789, died July 20, 1865; married John Folk.

Magdalena, born Jan. 26, 1792; married Heinrich Lutz.

Daniel, born 1793, died Dec. 23, 1878; married Magdalena Stein.

John, born Dec. 21, 1799, died in March, 1890; married Susan Sittler.

Elizabeth, born Nov. 7, 1802, died 1887; married Henry Creitz.

David, born April 7, 1807, died Aug. 7, 1888; married Catherine Wanamaker.

Esther, born 1809, died July, 1834; married Adam Kressley.

Jesse, born 1812, died 1887; married Rebecca Wanamaker.

All of the above children died very old, except Esther, who died when she was about twenty-five years of age.

Daniel Follweiler, the oldest son of Daniel,

lived and died in Lynn. He was married to Magdalena Stein and their children were: Jesse, married Rebecca Simmons; Catherine, married Reuben Ross; Daniel and Harry, who died young; Rebecca; Carolina, married Edwin Oswald; Levi S.; Charles P.

Jesse and Rebecca Follweiler have these children: Jackson, Maria, Janetta, and Harry.

Levi S. Follweiler married Rebecca Fetherolf and their children were: 1. Tillie; 2. Alexander, of Allentown; 3. Austin, married Martha Shisler, of Tamaqua, Pa.; 4. Annie; 5. Oliver, married Sarah Walters, of Tamaqua, Pa.; 6. Kate; 7. Emma, married Gordon Noble, of Philadelphia; 8. Minnie, married Cyrus Henry and they live at Birdsboro, Pa.

Charles P. Follweiler married Catherine Heinely. Their children follow: 1. Warren J., married Susan Heinkey, of Tamaqua, Pa.; 2. Ida J., is the estimable wife of Rev. J. J. Reitz, M.D., of Walnutport, Pennsylvania; 3. Charles; 4. Mary; 5. William. The last three are deceased.

John Follweiler, the second son of Daniel, kept a tavern, where Lloyd Kistler, now lives near Wannamaker's up to about 1830; he then tenanted the Smith farm near Lynnport until 1847, at which time he purchased the homestead of his grandfather, Bernhardt Follweiler, the pioneer, and occupied the log house of which mention has been made. He was born Dec. 21, 1799, died March, 1890, in his ninetieth year. His wife was Susan Sittler. Their children were: Charles; John S., who had part of the homestead. Abbie was married first to Peter Fenstermacher, and second to Mr. Railton. She is eighty-seven years old, and lives at Tamaqua, Pa. Susan married Samuel Creitz. She lives with her son, Morris Schmehl, in Weisenberg township. William settled at McKeensburg, Pa. Samuel married Amanda Lutz and they lived in Lynn. He had red hair and a thick red beard; and Edwin, who lived in Lynn township, on part of the homestead.

David Follweiler, the third son of Daniel E., was born April 7, 1807, died Aug. 7, 1888. He was a blacksmith by trade and often told his children how their great-grandfather, Frederick Leaser, hauled the old Liberty Bell from Philadelphia to Allentown, and that his father, Daniel Follweiler, had these facts direct from the lips of Frederick Leaser. The children of David Follweiler, among whom was Dr. David W. W., of Lynnport, rolled the wheels of the historic wagon around in the barnyard. It was then out of commission, and stored in the barn, which in 1885, was destroyed by lightning with its contents. These children talked among themselves

in their child-like way of the Liberty Bell, the Revolutionary War, and the ugly British soldiers.

David Follweiler and his wife Catherine Wannamaker, who died in 1864, are buried at the Jacksonville church. Their children were:

Matilda, married Benjamin Glase.  
Edward, married Rebecca Leiby.  
Mary, married Thomas Hiskey.  
Violetta, married Samuel Lutz.  
Sabilla, married C. M. Bloom.  
Rosetta, married Lewis Miller.  
Sally Ann, married Michael Waidelich.  
Dr. David W. W., mentioned later.  
Catherine, married Waltus Bachman.  
Hannah, married Frank Seifert.  
Missouri, married Cyrenus Dornblaser.

Jesse Follweiler, the youngest child of Daniel, married Rebecca Wannamaker and they lived in Lynn. Their children were: 1. David, married Kate Yaxtheimer; 2. George, died young; 3. George, married Louisa Zellner; 4. Allen, married Mary Brougher; 5. Rebecca, married Amandus Yaxtheimer; 6. Sarah, married Daniel Lutz; 7. Hannah, married T. Brougher.

DAVID W. W. FOLLWEILER, M.D., of Lynnport, was born in Lynn township, Dec. 27, 1841. His early education was received in the public schools of Lehigh county, where he also taught school several terms. During the summer months he read medicine with Dr. D. D. S. Shade, of Steinsville; entering Bellevue Medical College, of New York City, in 1868, and graduating in 1870. He began practicing at Lynnport, and has continued in active practice until this time. Dr. Follweiler has kept in touch with the advances made in the profession and some years after he had completed his course, he again returned to Bellevue and specialized as a general practitioner. His name is known in nearly every household in Lynn township, also in a large area of Albany township. His classical appearance, benevolent face, and stately bearing impress themselves strongly upon the many people with whom the doctor comes in contact. Dr. Follweiler wears a long white beard which is also the color of the hair upon his head. His fresh healthy face further adds to his striking personality.

He owns the David Follweiler homestead of 124 acres. The large brick residence in which the doctor resides was built by David Follweiler in 1865. The doctor has always taken an interest in the folklore and history of his district, and in his boyhood days with other boys of the community helped to roll down hill the old wheels of the historic wagon upon which the famous Liberty Bell was hauled from Philadelphia to Allentown in 1777.

Doctor Follweiler served as a school director and is one of the members of Blue Mountain

Lodge, No. 249, I. O. O. F. In 1894 he was the high priest of the lodge, of which his father was a charter member.

He was married, Sept. 7, 1873, to Mary J., daughter of Elias Hartman. Mrs. Follweiler died Sept. 5, 1901, aged 52 years, 7 months and 8 days. They had these children: 1. Dr. Robert D. E., who died at Allentown, Jan. 26, 1913, aged 39 years, 7 months and 10 days; his widow, Irene, *nee* Laubach, and a son, Alfred D., survive; and (2) Clara, married to Robert Hermans. They live at Dallas, Texas, since 1906, where Mr. Hermans is the accountant for the Kansas, Missouri & Texas Railroad.

Jesse Follweiler, son of Daniel, owned seventy-five acres of the homestead of Frederick Leaser, his grandfather. The farm since 1880, is the property of Amandus Leiby. The barn on this farm was destroyed by lightning in 1855, and with the contents of the barn the historic wagon was burned upon which the famous Liberty Bell was hauled from Philadelphia to Allentown in 1777. Jesse Follweiler served as supervisor of Lynn township.

His wife, Rebecca Wannamaker, was a twin sister of Daniel Wannamaker, and they were the children of Christian Wannamaker. Jesse Follweiler had ten children.

John S. Follweiler, son of John, was born Dec. 6, 1825. He was baptized in the same year. His sponsors were his grandparents, Daniel and Dorothea (Leaser) Follweiler. When a young man he travelled through New York, Ohio and Indiana. Upon his return to Lynn, he married Brigitta Brobst, daughter of John and Lydia (Smith) Brobst. He was a farmer and was supervisor of Lynn for twenty-four years. There were four John Follweilers living in the township at the same time. He was known as the "Supervisor John"; another was the "Shoemaker John." At the time of his death on Dec. 7, 1901, (aged 76 years and 1 day), he was the last charter member of the I. O. O. F., of Steinsville. He was active in church matters, and served all the offices in the Reformed congregation of the Jacksonville church. His wife was born March 23, 1828, and died Oct. 23, 1902, in her 75th year. They had three children: Missouri, married (first) John Fetherolf, and (second) Charles Greenawald; John B.; and Lewis A.

JOHN B. FOLLWEILER, of Lynn township, was born June 5, 1852. At the age of 16 years he learned the trade of a carpenter, and for forty consecutive years followed his trade in Lehigh and Schuylkill counties, except for nine months, during which time he worked in New York state. He built many of the houses in Lynn, usually employing from eight to nine men. In 1888, he







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built the William H. Reitz barn; in 1907, the Lewis J. Donat barn; in 1909, the barns of Henry F. Kistler and James A. Donat; also the Benjamin Levan and Edwin Schitz barns, besides most of the buildings in Lynn township that were erected during the last quarter of a century. His life has been an unusually busy one.

In 1886, he purchased the homestead of Bernhard Follweiler, the pioneer. The following year, 1887, he razed a log barn, eighty feet long, which had stood on this property for more than 125 years. It was the original barn on this property. This barn sheltered some twenty head of horses during the last quarter of the eighteenth and the beginning of the nineteenth centuries. Some of these horses were used to cultivate the soil, while others were used in hauling whisky and grain to Philadelphia. A distillery stood in the meadow below the present old house in which apple-jack and rye whiskey was burned, during the Colonial and the Revolutionary days.

John B. Follweiler and family are members of the Reformed congregation of Jacksonville church. He served it as deacon, elder, trustee and treasurer. Socially he is a member of the P. O. S. of A., at Steinsville. He served as a member of the school board for six years, and as treasurer of the township.

On Feb. 21, 1874, he married Mary J. Muth. They had seven children, namely: Annie E., married James W. Loy; Harvey, died aged 3 years and 20 days; Carrie E., married William Buck; Milton A., married Cora Reinhart; Florence L., married Harry Herman; Clinton R., died in his third year; and Warren, married Mabel Heintzleman.

Allen W. Follweiler, son of Jesse, was born Sept. 1, 1850. He resides on a small farm near Wannamaker's, and for twenty-two years worked on the repair crew for the Berks & Lehigh Railroad, and is still an employee of the company.

In 1870, he married Mary L., daughter of Samuel and Lydia (Winans) Braucher. They have these children: Ella V., George H., Dorothea L., Sadie R., and Samuel A.

#### ALEXANDER D. FOLLWEILER.

Alexander D. Follweiler was born at Tamaqua, Schuylkill county on Oct. 8, 1864. He received his education in the common schools and at an early age was placed on a farm, where he worked until he became 15 years old. Afterward he was employed for a time in a grocery store; then learned the trade of machinist in the shop of Carter & Allen Company, when he secured employment with the Lehigh Valley R. R. Company, and remained with them for upwards of twenty years at Delano, Hazelton, and Weather-

ly. In 1912 he entered shop No. 2 of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and since then has been employed there.

Mr. Follweiler was married to Katherine Goodbellet, daughter of Simon and Susan (Betz) Goodbellet, who was born in Saxony, Germany, and emigrated to America when nine years old. They have two children: Edward Alexander and Daniel Webster. The farmer was born in 1892 and received his education at Hazleton and Waverly, graduating from the business college in 1910. He is now passenger ticket agent for the L. V. R. R. Company at the Broad Street station in Philadelphia. Mr. Follweiler was a member and deacon for eight years of the Lutheran church at Tamaqua and is now a member of St. John's Lutheran church, Allentown. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and Sons of America, and is a Democrat in politics.

#### JAMES L. FOOTE.

James Lewis Foote, the late founder and general manager of the Slatington-Bangor Slate Syndicate, was a native of Salisbury, in Merrimack county, New Hampshire. He was born April 15, 1856, and educated in the local schools and Osford Academy until the age of sixteen years when he entered the law office of John M. Shirley, Esq., at Andover, a prominent lawyer, and then the state reporter of the Supreme Court, to take up the study of law, and after reading with him for a while, he finished his studies under Hon. E. B. S. Sanborn, at Franklin, N. H., in 1876. During this time, in 1875, he served as engrossing clerk of the State Legislature, and the same year he received the appointment of justice of the peace. In April, 1877, just after reaching his legal age, he was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the state. He then opened an office and carried on a general practice for four years, but finding it not congenial he went to New York City and engaged in the mercantile business for four years.

While so engaged, Mr. Foote learned of the great prospect in the promising slate regions of Pennsylvania in Lehigh county, and on March 1, 1887, went to Slatington. He first entered the employ of the late Henry Kuntz, Esq., proprietor of the Slatington Slate Co. as a book-keeper and sales manager, and he filled this position for six years when he became associated with certain enterprising citizens in the organization of the Slatington-Bangor Slate Syndicate for the manufacture of roofing slate and slate black-boards, and was selected to take the offices of treasurer and general manager which he has continued to serve in a faithful and successful manner until the present time. Their trade has,

in the past twenty years, been developed to extend throughout the United States and foreign countries, and in securing this trade Mr. Foote came to be recognized as the best known person connected with the slate industry in the United States by reason of his well-conducted, persistent and judicious advertising.

Upon locating at Slatington, Mr. Foote showed an interest in its local government and various offices were tendered him which he was obliged to decline on account of his business engagements. However in the cause of education he accepted the office of school director and served for three years, filling the position of secretary and president. In politics he has been a staunch Republican; and in the year 1908 he was an alternate delegate from the Berks-Lehigh District to the Republican National Convention. In 1902 he co-operated in the organization of the Citizens' National Bank, and he had been one of its directors for many years, and is now president. He was also a director of the Blue Ridge Traction Co., which operates a street railway between Slatington and Danielsville. In 1911 he received the appointment of county prison inspector, and also in 1912, 1913 and 1914, and on each occasion the Board elected him to be president. He was chief burgess of Slatington, having been nominated and elected for 4 years in November, 1913, by the three political parties, polling all the votes polled, excepting 42 cast for a Socialist.

Mr. Foote affiliated with the following societies: B. P. O. E., at Allenown; and the K. G. E. and the Knights of Malta, of Slatington. In 1899 when Christ Episcopal Church was established, he was one of its organizers and had been its chief supporter, and senior warden up to the time of his death on July 23, 1914, due to apoplexy. Thus passed away one of nature's nobelman. Mr. Foote was a splendid type of man, of the highest sense of honor, of the strictest integrity. He was eminently successful in business because he laid the foundations with clean hands and with uprightness and character and integrity as the cornerstone. That his good qualities of manhood and citizenship were appreciated is shown by the long list of honors that came to him, mostly unsought by him, and all a magnificent tribute to his managerial ability and his probity.

The funeral was held on Sunday, July 26, at 2:30 p. m., from his beautiful home at Centre and Chestnut streets, Slatington. The services were conducted by Bishop Ethelbert Talbot, of Bethlehem, assisted by Rev. James B. May, of Catasauqua. The Elks' burial service was followed at the grave in Fairview cemetery.

In 1879 Mr. Foote was married to Ara L.

Platt, a daughter of Capt. James H. and Sarah S. (Jones) Platt, of Manchester, N. H. Mrs. Foote's father was enlisted in the Civil War, and served as Captain of Co. E, in the 2nd Regt. of N. H. volunteers; and he was killed in 1864 at the battle of Drury's Bluff, in Virginia. She died in 1907 at Slatington. In 1908 Mr. Foote married as his second wife, Emma Raleigh Blanchard, a daughter of Trask W. and Almira (Gates) Reliegh, of Boscawen, N. H., a lineal descendant of Sir Walter Raleigh, the distinguished representative of Queen Elizabeth, of Great Britain, in the early discovery and settlement of Virginia, for which he was knighted.

Mr. Foote's father was Thomas Foote, a carpenter and cabinet maker, who settled at Salisbury, N. H., in 1831, and married Lydia Tabor; and Thomas was a son of Lewis, born in 1784, and enlisted in the English war of 1812-15, having been in service on the ship "Mars" which embarked from Portsmouth, N. H., with French "Letters of Marque and Reprisal," was captured by the English during the war, and afterward lost in a severe storm and never heard from; and Lewis was a son of Thomas who was born at Amsbury, Mass., in 1749.

#### FOSTER FAMILY.

Hon. Charles H. Foster was born near Shimersville, in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, on January 30, 1836; educated at the Freeland Seminary, and the Franklin and Marshall College; and then taught public school for seven terms; after which he was engaged in farming until he enlisted in the Civil War.

On November 7, 1862, he was commissioned as 1st Lieut. of Co. K, 176th Regt. Penna. Vols., and in May, 1863, received the appointment of health officer at Beaufort, South Carolina, where he served that position until he was mustered out of service on August 18, 1863. He then located at Jacksonville and engaged in the manufacture of woollen goods, being the proprietor of a custom mill which was operated in the township.

Mr. Foster always took an active part in educational matters of his locality, as well as in politics, and served as a director of the township; and he was prominently identified with the Democratic party, having represented the district as a delegate before the county convention. In 1878 he was elected as a member of the House of Representatives, serving the term of 1879-80 at Harrisburg. He was one of the organizers of Post 606, G. A. R., and served it for several years as adjutant and commander.

Mr. Foster died December 5, 1900. He was married February 2, 1864, to Elizabeth Buck,



born September 13, 1839, in Albany township, Berks county, and died February 13, 1886. She was educated in the Moravian Female Seminary in West-Bethlehem. They had ten children: Charles E. E.; Lizzie and Agnes, twins, the former married to Jacob Long and the latter to F. A. Miller; Lewis (deceased); Allaminda (m. Frank Meyer); Helen (educated in the public schools and also at the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, after which she taught public school in Lehigh county for sixteen terms); Reuben (deceased); Molly (deceased); Jennie A. (educated in the common and select schools and graduated from the Keystone State Normal School in 1898, and since then has taught successfully in the public schools of Lynn township); and Lillie (who resides at Reading).

Mrs. Foster was the daughter of Reuben Buck, son of Jacob. He was born in Hereford township, Berks county, May 31, 1813, and he married in December, 1836, Elizabeth Smith (daughter of Joshua Smith, and a sister of the Hon. Stephen Smith). Their children were: Amelia, Elizabeth, William, Lewis and Jonathan, all of whom died, excepting Elizabeth (Mrs. Foster).

CHARLES E. E. FOSTER, son of Charles H., was born September 26, 1864, at Jacksonville. He was educated in the common schools of Lynn township, and also the select schools of Steinsville and Lynnport. Afterward he taught public school in the township for the years 1883, 1884, and 1885. In 1901 he succeeded his father in the ownership of the farm and became a successful poultry raiser, always having on hand a flock numbering from 400 to 500. He takes pride in the possession of an open-face watch which was owned and worn by his great-grandfather, Thomas Foster, who died in 1803. He and his unmarried sisters are occupying the homestead. They are members of the Reformed congregation of the Jacksonwald church.

#### FRANKENFIELD FAMILY.

Simon and Eva Frankenfield, natives of Nassau, Rhine Valley, Germany, emigrated to America upon the ship *Elliot*, which arrived at Philadelphia, Oct. 25, 1748. Soon afterward they located in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, where they were pioneers and became original land owners. Adjoining his purchase on the north was still unsold proprietary land as well as in several other directions which later claimed his attention when he began to enlarge his boundaries. Their three sons, born in Germany, follow:

Philip Peter, born Nov. 18, 1735, died March

3, 1815 was married to Maafa Mill born in America, Jan. 1, 1740, died Oct. 2, 1833, in her 94th year. She was the mother of 11 children, 81 grandchildren, and 166 great-grandchildren. They are both buried on the graveyard at Hecktown, Northampton county, Pa.

Henry Frankenfield was born in Germany. He settled in Nockmixon township, Bucks county, and from there had enlisted in Captain Jacob Shoop's company of militia in the Revolutionary army. He was a Lutheran member of the Nockmixon Church in 1761-1766.

Adam Frankenfield was born in Germany in 1746, died Feb. 15, 1832, aged 86 years. He was married, first to Catharine ——— and they had seven children, viz: Henry, Michael, Leonard, Abraham, Jacob, Philip and Catharine, married to George Gruver. They were both born in Springfield township, Bucks county. Settled and died in Luzerne county, Pa. His second marriage to Elizabeth Strawsnitter resulted in the following eight children, viz: Anna Margaret, Samuel, Elizabeth, Eve, Isaac, Susanna, Christina, and Simon. By his third union there was no issue. Adam and his wives are buried at the Springfield church.

Adam Frankenfield succeeded his father, Simon, to the homestead which was located near the Springfield Church. He became a substantial and foremost citizen of his district. The original set of buildings were built by his father near an excellent spring of water. To this place they came on foot from Philadelphia, a distance of 44 miles. This was in about 1748. The place where they located was near the present Springfield Church. Tradition informs us that the pioneer carried his little son, Adam, on his back all the way. The child was then about one and one-half years old. He was reared upon the homestead which he acquired in after years, and there he reared a family of fifteen children, and died ripe in years. His descendants were:

Henry Frankenfield, first son of Adam, was born in Springfield, Sept. 10, 1770, died Nov. 2, 1844, aged 74 years, 1 month, 20 days. He married Catharine Weaver, born in Richland, Sept. 24, 1777, died Feb. 2, 1864, aged 86 years, 4 months, 3 days. To this union were born four children, namely: Sarah, born in Springfield, Nov. 15, 1798, died in Richland, December 6, 1843. Aged 44 years and 25 days. No children. She was married to Jacob Kepyler, born Feb. 10, 1793, died Feb. 14, 1838, aged 45 years and 4 days; her second husband was Samuel Berger, who is buried at St. John's Church, Richlandtown, Pa.

Elizabeth, born in Springfield, May 13, 1804, died April 26, 1869, aged 64 years, 11 months

and 13 days. She was married to Christian Hager a farmer, born Sept. 3, 1794, died Oct. 10, 1863, aged 69 years, 1 month, 13 days (buried at Richlandtown). To this union were born two sons and seven daughters:

Henry F., Jr., born in Springfield, Jan. 31, 1810, died Nov. 9, 1880, aged 70 years, 9 months, 3 days. He was married on Jan. 14, 1831 to Anna Datesman, a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Shellenberger) Datesman.

Anna, born June 21, 1810, died December 27, 1879, aged 69 years, 6 months and 6 days, and is buried at Keller's Church. To this union were born three sons and two daughters.

William F., born in Springfield township, Dec. 17, 1813; died Oct. 10, 1895, aged 81 years, 9 months and 23 days. He married, first, Sarah Gruver, a daughter of Tobias and Susanna (Weaver) Gruver, grandson of Peter and Margaret (Rohn) Gruver. Peter Gruver was born Jan. 6, 1729, died Feb. 3, 1805, aged 76 years, 10 months and 28 days, and is buried at the homestead on the Gruver farm.

Sarah (Gruver) Frankenfield, was born Aug. 16, 1816, and died Dec. 31, 1843, aged 27 years, 3 months, and 18 days. She was a granddaughter of George Adam Weaver and Barbara (Haas) Weaver born Aug. 9, 1788, and died Oct. 11, 1870, aged 82 years, 2 months, and 2 days. She is buried at Springfield Church. There were born one son and a daughter to this marriage, namely: Tobias G., and Lydia. He was married second to Catharine Fabian, who was born Aug. 10, 1814, died Nov. 18, 1860, aged 46 years, 3 months, and 8 days. They had two daughters, namely: Amanda and Sarah. He married, third, Eliza Lear from Tinicum. She was born April 22, 1819, died July 8, 1889, aged 70 years, 2 months and 16 days. They had no issue.

William Frankenfield lived all his life on the homestead farm and he and his three wives are buried at the Springfield Church burying ground.

Michael born 1772, died 1844, married 1798 Elizabeth, oldest daughter of Philip Hess, born 1779, died 1859. They had five sons and four daughters. The parents are buried at the Springfield church.

Leonard, born 1773, died 1841, married Sarah Moyer. They had two daughters.

Abraham, married Maria Dice.

Jacob, born 1776, died 1849, married Elizabeth Ruth, born 1774, died 1855. They had many children. He is buried at Nockamixon church.

Philip, born 1791, died 1854, married Eliza-

beth Rinker, and they had six sons and two daughters.

Elizabeth, born 1792, died 1849.

Catharine, married George Gruver and both died in Luzerne county, Pa.

Adam's children by the second wife were:

Margaret, born 1784, died, unmarried, 1842. Samuel, mentioned later.

Elizabeth, born 1788, married Joseph Gehris, both died at Mulberry, Indiana. She died 1860; he died 1875, aged 78 years.

Eva, born 1792, married Joseph Harwick, born 1788, died 1866. She died 1852, and is buried at the Upper Tinican Church.

Susanna, born 1793, married Jacob Kram, died 1833 and is buried at the Fredericksville Church.

Isaac, born 1794, and when 35 years old left home and was never heard from thereafter. He was weak-minded.

Christian, born 1797, died Aug. 17, 1819. She was the first wife of Joseph Gehris and unto them was born a son, Simon, on Aug. 1, 1819, who died aged 26 days. The mother and son are buried on the Frankenfield graveyard, near Springfield Church.

Tobias G. Frankenfield, son of William, was born in Springfield township, Bucks county, Oct. 10, 1838. He followed agricultural pursuits at Chapmans Station, Lehigh county, for about seven years, afterward in 1880, he came to Allentown and located at 323 North Ninth street, and three years later he moved to 332 North Eighth street, where his widow now resides. He died June 21, 1898. In 1899 the barn on their farm was destroyed by lightning, and the following year it was re-built by his widow. On Sept. 24, 1868 he was married to Amanda M. Bitts, a daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Brunner) Bitts. They were the parents of an only son, Wilber W. A.

WILBER W. A. FRANKENFIELD, son of Tobias, a native of Allentown, was born Oct. 29, 1882. He was educated in the public school, graduating in the high school and later in the Allentown Business College in 1904. At the age of 18 years he secured a position as clerk in a store and two years later he learned the jeweler trade with Hartman and Correll, following the trade two years. For seven years he was connected with the Metropolitan Life Ins. Company, serving several years as assistant superintendent. In 1911 he purchased the stock, good will and fixtures of A. S. Knecht, who conducted a grocery store at 323 North 9th street, Allentown, in the property owned by the Frankenfield estate. This business Mr. Frankenfield has conducted with marked success to the present time. He and



family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church. Socially he belongs to the following organizations: F. O. E.; Loyal Order of Moose; Lehigh Democratic Club; Modern Woodmen of America and Columbia Fire Co. In 1903 he was married to Rachel E. Roth, a daughter of A. P. and Ida V. (Trexler) Roth. Two children bless their union, namely: Loraine N. T., and Claire S.

Samuel Frankenfield, son of Adam, was born Feb. 8, 1786. He settled in what is now South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, near the Iron Bridge. He was a farmer and his homestead is now owned by the Lewis Hunsicker estate. He filled the office of poor director of the county and was tax collector for some years. He died Sept. 21, 1877, in his 92nd year of his age and is buried on the Union Cemetery, Allentown. He was married to Maria Magdalena Frey, born in 1784, and died in 1856. Their Frey, born in 1784, and died in 1856. Their

Name.	Birth.	Death.	Marriage.
Elizabeth,	Feb. 28, 1809,	Apr. 4, 1891,	John Troxell.
Rachel,	Feb. 12, 1811,	Dec. 27, 1891,	John J. Weirbach.
Reuben,	Apr. 8, 1812,	Apr. 4, 1863.	
Charles,	Nov. 1, 1813,	May 1, 1847,	
Enoch,	Sept. 12, 1816,	Nov. 4, 1893,	
Florenda,	Oct. 17, 1818,	Sept. 18, 1903,	Joseph Reichard.
Edward,	Feb. 21, 1821,	Apr. 20, 1900,	Hannah Hammel.
Susanna,	Sept. 14, 1822,	Jan. 8, 1900,	— Xander.
Benehue,	Oct. 20, 1826,	Dec. 3, 1858,	
Samuel J.,	Oct. 28, 1831,	—, 1906.	

Enoch Frankenfield, son of Samuel, succeeded his father as farmer on the old homestead which he conducted for a number of years. Later he lived at Meyersville, where he died in 1893, aged 77 years. He was married to Helena Ruch, daughter of David Ruch. To his family the following children were born: David, who was accidentally shot, aged 19 years; Samuel, mentioned later; Eli, lives at Rittersville; Dallas, a farmer living at Meyersville, and Maggie, wife of James Kemmerer, of Egypt.

Samuel Frankenfield, son of Enoch, was born in South Whitehall township where he followed farming for a number of years. He was also a contractor at stone quarries, selling stones for furnace purposes and employed as many as twenty-five men. Later he became the owner and proprietor of Albrights Hotel, which he conducted sixteen years. After Mr. and Mrs. Frankenfield had died their children sold the farm to a real estate company, who cut it up into building lots, which is now known as Clifford Park. Mr. Frankenfield was married to Miss Muth, a daughter of Solomon Muth. They had the following children: Samuel, deceased; Alfred, deceased; Agnes; James; Mary; Helen; Hattie; Edgar; Ada, deceased and William T.

WILLIAM T. FRANKENFIELD, of Whitehall township, was born November 29, 1883. He was educated in the public schools and the American Commercial school. In 1900 he became connected with the Allentown Manufacturing Company whose works are located between Allentown and Helfrich's Spring. He started at the bottom in order to familiarize himself thoroughly with the manufacturing of paint in all its different forms, and worked his way through the various departments and in 1910 he became the foreman of the works, having under his charge twenty men. Mr. Frankenfield is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America; and the Reformed congregation of Mickley's church, in which he takes an active interest being a member of the choir and assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. In 1903 he was married to Mary R. Helfrich, a daughter of Tilghman Helfrich. They have three children: Margaret A. E., William T., and Samuel.

#### FRANTZ FAMILY.

The Frantz family in America has its origin in Anthony Frantz, who landed in Philadelphia, Oct. 20, 1747, with his three sons, Peter, Jacob, and Henry. He located on the Ontelaunee creek, near the Blue mountains. He and his brother were soldiers in the French and Indian War and both were killed by the savages.

Henry Frantz, son of Anthony, secured a warrant for land, Nov. 14, 1758. In 1762, he was assessed £10 in Heidelberg township. In the tax list for 1764 we find his name written "Hy France" 200 acres, but no amount of tax stated. He was killed by Indians in 1764. He had three children: Margaret, who was carried off by the Indians in September, 1757; Peter, born May 4, 1752, died May 26, 1832, and was interred in the old Allentown cemetery; and Barbara Frantz, born in 1756.

Peter Frantz, son of Anthony Frantz, was born about 1734. He married Elizabeth, and they had a daughter, Christina Barbara, born in 1756.

Jacob Frantz, son of Anthony Frantz, was born in 1742. After he had attained his majority he took up 400 acres of land near Unionville, where he erected a store and hotel building and also had a distillery. He was also a blacksmith. In 1785 he was taxed on two horses and two cows and in 1786 he was taxed on 130 acres of land. Jacob Frantz married Margaret, and had children: Susanna; Henry Anthony; and John George, born June 12, 1776, married in 1800, Catharine Kuhns, died June 8, 1848. Issue: ten children, names unknown. John George and his brother Henry Anthony purchased a farm on Mill creek in 1801.

Heinrich Frantz had a farm of 300 acres in North Whitehall township, now the property of his great-grandson, James Frantz. Mr. Frantz was a member of the Reformed church at Egypt, where he is buried. He married, in 1796, Margaretha Ritter, born Oct. 14, 1775. Issue: Jacob; Abraham, born May 18, 1808, a farmer in North Whitehall township; Joseph; Daniel, who had the homestead; Heinrich, who died in the Carbon county poor house; William, who lived in North Whitehall township; Lydia; Mrs. Geo. Wright, who died at the age of 96 years, and Mrs. Daniel Rinker.

Joseph Frantz, a son of Heinrich and Margaretha Frantz, was born April 7, 1804, and died Sept. 20, 1877. He was a farmer in North Whitehall township and owned the farm now the property of William Everett. He was a member of the Reformed church at Egypt and served as an elder. His wife was Salome Roth. She was born Oct. 29, 1808, and died March 20, 1872, aged 63 years, 4 months and 21 days. Their children were: Elias; Amandes; Thomas; Tilghman; and Catharine, wife of David Brown.

Amandes Frantz, son of Joseph and Salome Frantz, an aged resident of Schiedys, North Whitehall township, was born Jan. 16, 1830. He was an undertaker for thirty-five years and retired from business in 1902. He has lived in his present residence since 1865 and has two tracts of land, 47 acres each, and a nine-acre woodland tract in Washington township. He was also a carpenter and contractor for many years. He erected a number of buildings and employed a large force of men. His wife was Caroline Smith, daughter of Frederick Smith, of Upper Saucon township, a native of Germany, who is buried at Friedensville church. They had eleven children, all living: Joseph; Sarah, wife of James Mertz; Benjamin, a contractor of Allentown; Christiana, wife of Jos. Marsteller; Kate, wife of Henry Zellner; Josephine, wife of Emil Phillips; Rev. Hiram A.; Annie, wife of George Semmel; Rev. Orville R.; Amelia, wife of Rev. Wm. H. Millhouse; and Tilghman S.

TILGHMAN S. FRANTZ, son of Amandes Frantz, was born Aug. 27, 1874. He received his education in the public schools and the Tamaqua high school. Early in life he was a photographer for a year in Allentown and Ohio, then followed the trade of a carpenter for three years. In 1898 he began cultivating the homestead, which he has since followed. He is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and of the Reformed church at Egypt. On Nov. 12, 1905, he was married to Laura Dengler. Issue: Hiram A., Earl L., and Elsie L.

Elias Frantz, a son of Joseph and Salome

Frantz, was a photographer and travelled through the eastern section of Pennsylvania. Later he purchased the homestead farm and conducted it. He was a Republican in politics and a member of the Reformed church at Egypt, where he served as deacon during the pastorate of Rev. Hofford. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. His wife was Harriet Kern, daughter of Gabriel Kern. Their children were: Edwin, who met an accidental death; Oscar; Willoughby, who also met an accidental death; Oliver; Chester E.; Amanda, wife of Henry Balliet, deceased; and Kate, wife of Oliver Schreiber.

CHESTER E. FRANTZ, of Catasauqua, son of Elias Frantz, was born in North Whitehall township, May 15, 1865. He attended the public schools of his native township, select schools at Coplay and North Whitehall, and West Chester Normal School. He began the profession of teaching when sixteen years old, teaching two terms in Carbon county, and twenty-three terms in Lehigh county, fifteen in Hanover, and eight in North Whitehall township. In 1907, he accepted a position as clerk for the Davies & Thomas Foundry, which position he has served to the present time. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., Camp 301; and K. G. E., Castle No. 241, of Catasauqua. He is a member of Salem's Reformed church of Catasauqua, where he held the office of deacon, and is superintendent of the Zion's Lutheran and Reformed Sunday school of East Catasauqua. In politics he is a Republican and served his borough as school director for three years, and was tax collector and census enumerator of Hanover township in 1900 and 1910.

On Nov. 21, 1885, he married Lillie Herling, daughter of Jacob and Cecelia (Schaffer) Herling, natives of Baden, Germany, and granddaughter of Jesse Schaffer, of North Whitehall township. The family resides at 467 Race street. Mr. and Mrs. Frantz have four children: Stanley E. J., William H., Russell H., and Irene C.

David Frantz, a son of David, was a farmer in North Whitehall township. He died at the age of 27 years. He was a member of the Unionville Reformed church, where he is buried. He was a painter by trade and helped to paint the Unionville church. His wife was Mary Landis, daughter of Levi Landis. Their two sons were: George D. and Edward, deceased.

GEORGE D. FRANTZ, son of David and Mary Frantz, was born in 1873 and reared upon the farm. In 1902 he settled near Neff's postoffice, and in 1905 he engaged in farming in North Whitehall. He has a 20-acre tract along the public road from Slatington to Allentown, formerly the home of Drs. Hoffman and Wilson. He



is a member of the Reformed church at Unionville.

In 1898 he married Arabella Troxell, daughter of Paul and Mary (Schneck) Troxell. Their children are Rachel M., and Paul D.

Abraham Frantz, a farmer, lived in North Whitehall and is buried at Egypt Reformed church. He and his wife had the following children: Rebecca, who married Henry Zerfass; Louisa, who married Wm. Miller; Flora, who married Lewis Miller; Eliza, who married Jacob Steckel; Celinda, who married Solomon Miller; Elmira, who married Levi Kleckner; Oliver, who lived in Whitehall; and Henry B.

Henry B. Frantz lived in South Whitehall. He was a farmer in early life and later sold oil. He was a member of the Reformed Church and is buried at Egypt. He was first married to a Miss Ritter and had no children. He was married, second, Amanda Zerfass and had the following children: Sylvester; Martha, who married Jas. Kohler; Paulina, who married Herman Schroeder; Abraham, who married Annie Dreisbach; Ezra, who married Mary E. Young; and Ada, who married Wm. Faust.

Sylvester H. Frantz, of West Coplay, a foreman at the Coplay Cement Company, was born Sept. 4, 1864, and worked in a stone quarry for many years. On July 24, 1885, he married Anna M. Brown, daughter of Henry A. and Anna M. (Smith) Brown, and granddaughter of Joel and Amelia Brown. Mr. Frantz is one of the oldest employees of the Coplay Manufacturing Company, having been in their employ since their organization. He is a member of the Independent Order of Americans and of the Egypt Reformed church. He owns several houses in West Coplay and two in Coplay. Mr. Frantz and his wife have the following children: Henry A., who married Maggie Ramer and has two sons: Sylvester and Mervin; Frederick G., who is a cement tester in the employ of the United States Government in the construction of the Panama Canal; and Edna I., who married Chas. Miller and has two children: Anna and Erna.

FREDERICK G. FRANTZ was born in Whitehall township, May 4, 1887, and began working in the cement industry at the age of fifteen years, and was in the employ of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company for five years. On June 11, 1909, he was appointed by the Federal Government, under civil service, as a "Physical Tester" of cement used in the construction of the Panama Canal.

He is a member of Improved Order of Red Men, No. 201, Lecha Wonk Tribe, of Allentown, and the Independent Order of Americans, No. 753, of Allentown.

# FREDERICK FAMILY.

The last will and testament of John Frederick is recorded in Will Book 10, p. 601, in the court house at Doylestown, the county seat of Bucks county, Pennsylvania. He was a pioneer and the ancestor of a representative Pennsylvania family, and may be a descendant of Henry Frederick, who had been a resident at Germantown in 1734. The Pennsylvania Archives record him, a taxable resident of Rockhill township, in 1779, and as owning in that year, 50 acres of land, 1 horse and 2 cattle. His name likewise appears in the following recorded tax lists: 1781, 1782, 1784, 1785, 1787. Beginning with 1781, he was assessed with 100 acres of land, 2 horses and 4 cattle. In 1782, as well as in later tax lists the name of Yost Frederick also appears. He is said to have been the oldest son of John Frederick, but his name does not appear in the latter's will. Tradition states that Joseph (or Yost) was only a half brother to Henry, Barbara, Michael, George, John, and Catharine Frederick.

In 1784 John Frederick, the pioneer, is recorded as being the head of a household consisting of eleven persons, 100 acres of land, and one dwelling house.

On the thirteenth day of January, 1808, John Frederick made his last will and testament. The absence of reference to his wife is conclusive proof that she died before the making of the will. That he died at a very advanced age is certain. His estate he divided into six parts, each of the following named children receiving one-sixth part: Henry; Barbara, intermarried to John Rinker; Michael; George; John, and Catharine, intermarried with Ludwick Wile. The second son, Michael, was appointed administrator of his father's estate. The will was proved Feb. 12, 1828. In Deed Book 54, p. 382, it is recorded that Michael Frederick, executor of John Frederick, late of Rockhill township sold a tract of land, April 11, 1829, to Barnet Headman, a noted potter of the Revolutionary period.

Henry Frederick, oldest son of John, was born prior to the Revolutionary War. He was a blacksmith on an adjoining tract to the homestead of his parents. He made his will in 1859 and died in February, 1863. He was survived by his wife Mary. They had no issue.

Michael Frederick, the second son of John, was born Oct. 27, 1769, died Jan. 13, 1849 in his eightieth year of age. He was married to Catharine Stump, born Jan. 15, 1764, died July 31, 1849, aged 85 years, 6 months, and 16 days. Both are buried at the Tohickon church, in Bucks county. He was a weaver by trade and a farmer by occupation. He lived in the vicinity of the

Three Mile Run, in Rockhill township. His children were: John; Joseph; Thomas; Catharine, married to Casper Johnson, and Mrs. Hilbert.

John Frederick, oldest son of Michael, was born Feb. 21, 1796, died March 28, 1869. He married Mary Keller, born March 7, 1796, died Sept. 15, 1856. Both are buried at the Tohickon church. He was a farmer in Rockhill township. There was a locality in the eastern part of that township which was known as "Fredericktown," because of the large number of that name living there. John and Mary Frederick had the following children: Michael; Thomas; Katie, married to James Schock.

Michael, son of John, was born in 1821; was married to Sarah Lewis, and had these children: Peter; John; Maria, and Katie.

Thomas, son of John, was married to Eliza Hillpot. They had a son, Pearson and a daughter Mary Ann.

Joseph Frederick, the second son of Michael, was a weaver and laborer in Rockhill township. He died in 1833, when still a young man. His son Jonas, whose sketch follows, recalls his father's funeral. The lad, then five years old, sat aside of the casket which was upon the middle of a big old-fashioned wagon, around which sat the mourners on the way to the church for burial. Joseph Frederick married Mary Shipe, who survived him many years. They had the following children: Elias; James; Lydia, married to Lewis Jones; Amos; Daniel, and Jonas.

Elias Frederick, son of Joseph, married Elizabeth Hartzell, born in 1819, died in 1875. They are buried at the Rich Valley church, in Bucks county. They had a son William, who died at Richlandtown in early manhood.

James Frederick, son of Joseph, was a shoemaker. He married Mary Loux, who is now past ninety years of age. He died a number of years ago. They had James J., of Allentown; Joseph, of Bethlehem; Oliver, deceased, and Emma.

Amos Frederick, son of Joseph, lived at Tincum, Bucks county. He was a boatman, laborer and farmer. He married Miss Hilbert, a first cousin. They had sons Gideon and Newberry.

Jonas Frederick, son of Joseph, was born September 20, 1828. He was a farmer, shoemaker, and iron worker. For twenty years he was an employe of the Donaldson Iron Works, at Emaus, where he still lives, and is one of the aged and respected citizens. He is a member of the Lutheran church, but his father and grandfather were members of the Tohickon Reformed church.

On June 16, 1850, he married Mary Ann, daughter of William and Kate (Gruber) Morder (also spelled Maddler), a native of Baden,

Germany. They have the following children: Sarah, widow of O. S. Reinhart; William, died small; Alice, married to Jacob Brinker; Wilson C., of Allentown; Milton, of Emaus; Emma, deceased wife of Allen Dillinger; Kate, married to Obediah Miller, of Elizabeth, N. J.; Martha, married to Mahlon Antrim, of Emaus; Watson, deceased; Minnie, married to Horace Wennig, of Emaus; James, deceased; Cora, married to Charles Miller; Jonas H., whose history follows. Of the above children, Mrs. Brinker, Milton, Mrs. Antrim, Mrs. Wennig, Mrs. Miller, and Jonas H., all reside at Emaus.

JONAS H. FREDERICK, silk manufacturer and representative citizen of Emaus, Pennsylvania, was born at Limeport, Lehigh county, January 5, 1875, son of Jonas and Mary Ann (Morder) Frederick, grandson of Joseph, great-grandson of Michael, and great-great-grandson of John Frederick, the pioneer of the family in Rockhill township, Bucks county.

The early life of Jonas H. Frederick was spent upon the farm, thus in his youth the habit of industry became a part of his nature, and this essential, coupled with indomitable energy and enterprise, has placed Mr. Frederick among the front rank of manufacturers of his section. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from the American Commercial College, Allentown, in 1896. Afterward for a time he was employed with the Keystone Silk Mill as a weaver, warper, etc., learning the business thoroughly. In 1905 Mr. Frederick established the Central Silk Company at Siegfried, Pa., and in 1908 he built the silk mill on Ridge street, Emaus, which employs sixty people. In 1910 he purchased the Bath Silk Mill, and formed the Bath Silk Company, where eighty people are employed. In 1913 he, with others, bought the Keystone Silk Mills, at Emaus, which is now known and trades as the Emaus Silk Company, Inc. He is the treasurer and general manager of this company, which employs upwards of two hundred people. In 1912 a silk throwing mill was established at Perkasio, Pa., which is known as the Perkasio Silk Company, and employs about seventy-five people.

Mr. Frederick has membership in the following lodges: Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. & A. M., Allentown; Mystic Star Lodge, No. 73, I. O. O. F.; also the Emaus Encampment No. 15, and Washington Camp No. 398, P. O. S. of A., of Emaus.

In the summer of 1914 he erected his handsome residence at the southeast corner of Third and Ridge streets, Emaus. It is one of the very fine homes of Lehigh county. He is a member of the St. John's Lutheran church.





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On Oct. 9, 1907, he married Quinnie I. Frantz, daughter of Edwin and Ella (Heinley) Frantz, of Fogelsville, Pa. Her maternal grandparents were John and Helena (Kline) Heinley. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Frederick are born three sons, namely: Raymond, who was burned to death at the age of eighteen months; Kermit Frantz, born July 5, 1908, and Armstrong Jonas, born April 7, 1910.

Thomas Frederick, son of Michael, married Miss Wambold. They lived at the Three Mile Run in Rockhill township. He was a farmer and weaver. His children were: Hezekiah, Mary, Catharine, Veronica.

John Frederick, son of John the pioneer, and a brother of Henry and Michael, lived at Trumbauersville, Bucks county. His wife, Mary, bore him the following sons: Aaron; Reuben; John; Charles, and Samuel. All the sons lived in Rockhill township, about the settlement known as Fredericktown and Smoketown. Aaron is buried at Trumbauersville.

JOHN A. FREDERICK, teller of the Savings Department of the Allentown National Bank, is a son of James J., a grandson of James, a great-grandson of Joseph, a great-great-grandson of Michael, and a great-great-great-grandson of John Frederick, the founder of the family. Mr. Frederick was born at Leithsville, Northampton, Sept. 1, 1881, and attended the public schools of Hellertown. He removed with his parents to Weissport, Carbon county, and in 1897 to Catasauqua. He was graduated from the Catasauqua high school in 1899, and in January of the following year was employed as messenger for the Catasauqua National Bank. On Aug. 1, 1906, he assumed the tellership of the newly organized Lehigh National Bank of Catasauqua, which position of confidence and trust he filled with credit and honor. On October 2, 1911, he became receiving and paying teller in the Allentown National Bank, one of the leading financial institutions in the Lehigh Valley. Mr. Frederick owes his rapid promotions to faithfulness to duty, courtesy and kindness. Mr. Frederick is public spirited and interested in whatever pertains to the welfare of his community. He is secretary of the Phoenix Steam Fire Co., of Catasauqua, and also of the Lehigh Building and Loan Association; a member of the Catasauqua High School Alumnae Association; a past master of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M.; past high priest of Catasauqua Royal Arch Chapter, No. 278; a member of Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar; a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and president of the Masonic Club.

On June 22, 1910, he was united in holy wedlock with Ellen M. Ziegler, a daughter of Isaac H. and Adeline Fehnel Ziegler. This union is blessed with one daughter, Eleanor May, born May 9, 1914. Both Mr. and Mrs. Frederick are faithful members of Salem Reformed congregation, and are active in the various organizations. Mr. Frederick has been secretary of the Sunday school for quite a number of years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Frederick enjoy a large circle of acquaintances, but are most happy when entertaining their friends in their tastefully furnished home in Catasauqua.

Mrs. Frederick was born at Bowers, Berks county, Aug. 29, 1882, and like her husband, represents one of the early eastern Pennsylvania families. Tradition makes John Zeigler the founder of the family. The old homestead is located in Longswamp township, Berks county. On a map of 1748 the home is marked as a stopping place for the Moravian missionaries on their long and wearisome journeys from Bethlehem, through Oley, Lancaster, York, and down through Maryland, Virginia, and the Carolinas.

Andreas Zeigler, of the second generation, was born Nov. 30, 1744, and died Feb. 25, 1800, and his wife, Henrietta Sophia Reidig, was born July 25, 1749, and died Aug. 5, 1829. Their ashes repose on the cemetery at Bowers Station. They were the parents of eleven children. Andreas Zeigler, of the third generation, was born in the year 1773, and died May 10, 1849, and his wife, Magdalena Anna, was born Nov. 9, 1775, and died April 6, 1845. Their remains also lie buried at Bowers' Station. They had six children: Nathan; Sallie, married to William Hoch; Anna Maria; John; Susan, and Samuel.

Samuel Zeigler was born and died on the old homestead. He was a man of great activity and a leader in his community. To him and his wife, Elisabeth Hoch, were born five children: David; Isaac; Matilda, married to George Gernet; Elisabeth, married to Daniel Haas, and Emma, married to the late Eugene Fenstermaker.

Isaac Zeigler, son of Samuel, was born and reared on the old homestead near Bowers' Station, and where he lived until his removal to Catasauqua. He is married to Harriet Fehnel, a daughter of James and Elizabeth Santee Fehnel. This union was blessed with two children: James, an undertaker at Palmerton, and Ellen. James J. Frederick, the father of John A., is a son of James Frederick, who was born in Rockhill township, Nov. 10, 1821, and died April 6, 1878. He was married to Mary Laux, who was born in Lower Saucon, Nov. 13, 1825. His remains lie buried at Apples church. They had issue: Emeline, born Sept. 13, 1847, and is mar-

ried to David Fluck; Oliver, born Sept. 23, 1850; Joseph, born Dec. 24, 1852; Pamela Catharine, born May 30, 1855; James J., born June 12, 1857; Charles, born July 8, 1859; Alice, born Feb. 6, 1861; Robert and Watson, born Dec. 10, 1863; Harvey and Erwin, born Jan. 26, 1866; Lizzie, Mar. 21, 1869; Adella Minerva, born July 20, 1871.

James J. Frederick, foreman of the Trexler Planing Mill, of Allentown, was born near Leithsville, Northampton county. He was married Nov. 13, 1880, to Wilhelmina Sloyer and daughter of John R. Sloyer, a well-known undertaker and highly respected citizen of Springtown, Berks county. This union is blessed with seven children: John A.; Victor J., born April 5, 1884; Elsie E., born June 26, 1886; Grover G., born Oct. 2, 1888, died Jan. 26, 1895; Elmer E., born Mar. 29, 1893, died Oct. 2, 1893; Verna A. S., born Aug. 6, 1896, and Mary Catherine, born Mar. 15, 1898.

George Frederick, born September 26, 1788, died January 20, 1871. The maiden name of his mother was Ebert, and she came from the vicinity of Mountainville, Lehigh county. He also had a half-brother by the name of Joseph Frederick, who visited him about 1840, coming from Philadelphia, and he could not speak German. By occupation George Frederick was a wheelwright. In 1830, while living at Center Valley, he constructed the water wheel for the Geisinger grist mill. He came to the latter place from Steinsburg, in Milford township, Bucks county, where his two youngest children were born. In 1831 he moved upon the Packer farm, situated in Whitehall township, which embraced one hundred acres of land. A large portion of this land is now covered by West Catasauqua and Fullerton. On the Frederick farm stood an historic stone house which was built by Jacob Yundt in 1757, and this George Frederick occupied from 1831 to 1848, when he moved to Catasauqua. His son George succeeded him as the occupant of this house and also in the cultivation of the farm. The house was razed by the railroad company in 1892. During the French and Indian War, from 1760 to 1763, it was used as a fort. It was substantially built, had thick walls with high, pointed, gable ends, a slanting roof, and was a land mark for many years.

Mr. Frederick was a prominent man of his district. He served as justice of the peace of Whitehall township, and upon his removal to Catasauqua, he held the same office there a number of years. In 1836 he was elected to represent the Democratic party in the House of Representatives, and again in 1842. He affiliated with

the Masonic fraternity, and was an active member of the Lutheran church at Shoenersville, serving as deacon and elder many years. He married Hannah Haas, born April 1, 1791, died at Catasauqua, March 8, 1853, and they are buried in Fairview cemetery at Catasauqua. Mrs. Frederick was the daughter of Conrad and Hannah (Kratzer) Haas, who came from the vicinity of Topton, Pennsylvania; the former was born February 20, 1755, died August 30, 1819, the latter was born August 16, 1760, and died October 29, 1843. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick had children: Mary, married Solomon Biery, George, of further mention. Nathan, who lived at Moosic, Luzerne county, but died at Allentown, is buried in Union cemetery. He was a saw mill worker. He married Elvina Keichel, and they had children: Allen; Mary Jane; Catherine, and George. Thomas, lived and died in Catasauqua. He married Catherine Biery, and had: Edward J.; Frank; Thomas, who died in South America. Owen, of further mention. Hannah, born September 30, 1825, is a well-preserved woman living at Allentown. She married Robert Steckel, now deceased, and their only son, R. Peter, married Rebecca Henninger, and has one daughter, Esther. Pauline, married Owen Diefenderfer, and had children: Hon. T. F. Diefenderfer, of Allentown; John G.; Maria, now deceased, married Reuben P. Steckel; Hannah, married Walter Schaadt, of Fullerton, and James, who died at Fullerton.

George, eldest son of George and Hannah (Haas) Frederick, was born August 20, 1813, and died at Millerstown (now Macungie), September 22, 1868. He was a millwright by trade, and for some years cultivated the homestead, having an exceptionally fine stock farm. He removed to Front street, Catasauqua, and after the death of his wife removed to Millerstown. He married (first) Elizabeth Reichard, born in 1823, died March 28, 1857. He married (second), in Millerstown, Eliza Ziegenfus. Children by first marriage: Clarissa C.; Tilghman F., of further mention; Henry C.; Sarah J.; Alvin; James P. The last mentioned was born August 6, 1855, at Catasauqua, and was a blacksmith by trade. In 1885 he entered the employ of the Bryden Horse Shoe Company, and was advanced to the position of weighmaster of the company in 1909, and is still filling this important post. By the second marriage there were: Harvey V.; Laura, married James Adkinson, of Philadelphia.

Tilghman F., son of George and Elizabeth (Reichard) Frederick, was born in 1848, at Catasauqua, and there was educated in the public schools, from which he was graduated at the age of thirteen years with the highest honors.







Ogden E. Frederick



When seventeen years old he was graduated from the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York. During the Civil War he served for a time as orderly sergeant, and then as drummer. At the close of the war he entered the employ of the Crane Iron Works as blacksmith, then became bookkeeper for Frederick & Company, car-builders at Fullerton, a position he held many years. For several years he taught school at Catasauqua and West Catasauqua, then served as clerk with the Catasauqua Manufacturing Company for several years. He next formed a connection with the Bryden Horse Shoe Company, and was superintendent and secretary for three years. After the enlargement of the company he was secretary of the corporation until his death, in 1909. He was a prominent and public spirited citizen, having been instrumental in securing the Pine street bridge across the Lehigh canal, and was actively identified with church and Sunday school work for many years. Mr. Frederick married Mary A. Andreas, who still lives in the family mansion at Catasauqua, and of their ten children the following named are still living: Elizabeth; Charles E.; Alice; Harry, and Agnes.

Owen, fourth son of George and Hannah (Haas) Frederick, was born in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1822, and died February 11, 1878. He was a widely known cabinet maker and undertaker at Catasauqua, where he began business June 3, 1848, and continued until 1878. He was succeeded by his son-in-law, H. A. Steward, who conducted the business until his death, April 5, 1897, and was succeeded by Frederick & Scherer, who are successfully carrying on the business at the present time. Owen Frederick had learned his trade at Easton, and while there became actively identified with the Humane Fire Company, continuing his membership for many years after he had left the city. He followed his trade at New York City from 1844 to 1848, when he returned to Catasauqua. He married A. Jeannette Bargardus, of Hunter, Green county, New York, born December 17 1824, died October, 1905, and she and her husband are buried in Fairview cemetery. Children: George, of Easton; M. Alice, married Henry A. Steward, now deceased; Ogden E., of further mention; Hannah.

OGDEN E. FREDERICK, son of Owen and A. Jeannette (Bargardus) Frederick, was born in Catasauqua, June 21, 1852, and, when he had completed his education, assisted his father at his trade until 1878, at which time he accepted a position as timekeeper and shipping clerk with the Lehigh Car Wheel and Axle Works, at Fullerton. He continued with the corporation until the

organization of the firm of Frederick & Scherer, in 1897, and they have since carried on their business of cabinet making, undertaking and as furniture dealers at No. 208 Front street. Mr. Frederick is a conservative business man. In 1905 he was one of the organizers of the Central Silk Manufacturing Company, at Siegfried's, Pennsylvania, which employs upward of three hundred persons. He is a director of this company. In 1903 he erected a fine residence at No. 125 Front street, and in its construction he used as a corner stone the historic stone which was taken out of the old fort built in 1757. The date, with initials J. Y., are still plainly carved in the face of the stone. In the construction of his residence he used seven kinds of wood. The parlor is worked out with mahogany, the hallways are in native black walnut, the vestibule is finished in a beautiful and valuable wood imported from Cuba, and the bed rooms and dining room are the finest quartered oak finish. He has been a member of the Steam Phoenix Fire Company since 1873. He is a staunch Democrat, but has ever consistently refused public office. Mr. Frederick married, February 1, 1875, Clarissa C., daughter of the late James W. Fuller, Sr., of Catasauqua. They have one daughter, Lillie C., who married Dr. Wesley Willoughby, of Catasauqua. They are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

#### FREDERICK FAMILY OF BERKS COUNTY.

Jacob Frederick was born in Rockland township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1781, died February 13, 1857 and is buried at the Longswamp church, of which he was an elder. During the erection of the present church he was a member of the building committee. He was a shoemaker, cooper and blacksmith, and in later life was engaged in farming in Longswamp township. He had brothers: Adam, of Rockland, and George, of Philadelphia. Mr. Frederick married Elizabeth Drey, born in Rockland, March 18, 1774, died December 19, 1858. They had children: Jacob and Solomon, of further mention; Daniel, born in 1808, died in 1889, died unmarried; George, a farmer in Longswamp township, married Mary Fretz and had children: Nicholas, Josiah, Washington, Franklin, Rosa, Margaret and Clara; Sarah, married John Romig; Elizabeth, born in 1813, died in 1848, unmarried; Rachel, also died unmarried.

Jacob, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Drey) Frederick, was born in Longswamp township, July 21, 1806, and died in Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, April 1, 1887, and is buried there in the West End cemetery. With his son, Jacob, he removed to Allentown in 1854. He married Christiana Dankel and had children:

Jacob, of further mention; Christiana, married W. Gordon; Sarah, married A. P. Rhoads.

Jacob, son of Jacob and Christiana (Dankel) Frederick, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, August 12, 1834, and died in Allentown, July 5, 1900. He was a cigar maker and made his permanent home in Allentown in 1885. In Longswamp township he had served as a school director, and in Allentown he represented the Fourth ward as a councilman two terms, and was constable of this ward at the time of his death. He was a member of Lehigh Lodge, No. 326, F. & A. M., of Trexlertown, and he and his family were members of the Reformed Church, in which he had served in an official capacity for a number of years. Mr. Frederick married Elizabeth Butz, who survives him, and now resides at No. 315 North Ninth street, Allentown. Mrs. Frederick is a daughter of Jonathan Butz, a large cigar manufacturer at Shamrock. Mr. and Mrs. Frederick had children: Elenora, Oscar, Henry, Annie, Jonathan E., Ida and Sallie.

JONATHAN E., son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Butz) Frederick, was born in Longswamp township, July 21, 1867. He was educated in the public schools, the George Meade School in Philadelphia and in Muhlenberg College, Allentown. For twelve years he was a shoe salesman for John E. Lentz, traveling all over Eastern Pennsylvania. In 1900 he associated himself with H. J. Smith and they conduct the wholesale confectionery business of Frederick & Smith at No. 205 North Sixth street, Allentown. Mr. Frederick is the secretary of the Lehigh Mutual Horse Insurance Company, an office he has filled since 1907. Politically he is a Democrat, and he served as chairman of the county committee from 1908 to 1911, and was again elected to this office in July, 1913. Prior to 1908 he served as chairman of the Democratic city committee. In 1907 he was elected clerk of quarter sessions, served three years and since that time has been in office as deputy clerk of quarter sessions. He is a member of the following named organizations: Lodge No. 130, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Livingstone Lodge, No. 258, Knights of the Golden Eagle, of which he is past chief; Carol Council, No. 170, Order of United American Mechanics, in which he has held both county and state offices; Protective Home Circle; Allentown Band and Pioneer Band. Mr. Frederick married, first, Ellen J., born in 1865, died August 3, 1899, a daughter of Irwin and Diana (Ackerman) Stoudt, of Lower Milford. They had one child, Ida J. He married, second, in 1910, Clara, a daughter of Aaron and Elizabeth Miller, of Allentown.

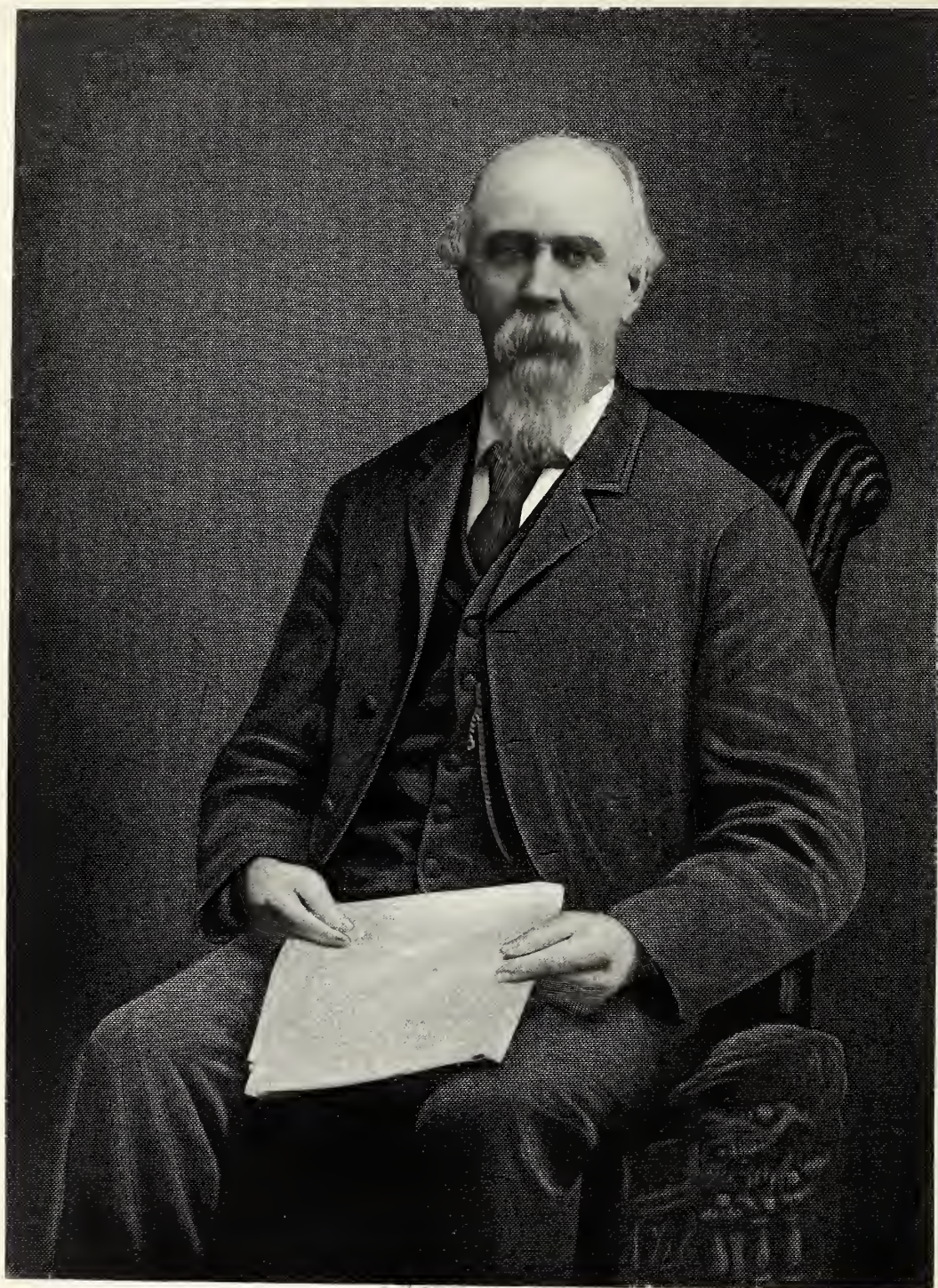
Solomon, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Drey) Frederick, was born February 8, 1905, and died December 6, 1843. He was a farmer. He was a member of the Lutheran church at Mertztown, and is buried there. He married Rachael Smith, born in Lynn, January 5, 1812, died November 21, 1871. They had children: James; Aaron; Augustus; Benneville, and Solomon S., of further mention; Sarah, married James Smith; Elizabeth, married the late A. J. Breinig, of Allentown.

Benneville, son of Solomon and Rachael (Smith) Frederick, took up his residence in Allentown in 1854. He learned the trade of a miller, and later that of a carpenter and wheelwright. He was engaged at these trades in the Mahoning Valley one year, and in 1863 he and Levi Butz joined in forming the partnership of Butz, Frederick & Company. The firm continues successfully to the present time, although Mr. Frederick died in 1900. He was an active member of St. Paul's and St. Michael's Lutheran church. He married, first, Caroline Benner, had no children by this marriage. He married, second, Mary Sellers, and had a son, William J., a member of the firm of Sellers & Company, a clothing house of Reading, Pennsylvania. He married, third, Sarah Ritter, and had children: Frank H., Joseph and Charles S., of further mention; Sallie, wife of John Sefing, of Allentown.

FRANK H., son of Benneville and Sarah (Ritter) Frederick, was born in Allentown, December 9, 1862. He was educated in the public schools of this city, and was graduated from the Allentown High School in 1881. Upon leaving school he entered the employ of Schlegel, Ziegenfuss & Company, furniture manufacturers, and later was employed with Reuter & Sons, and with Grossman & Klunter. In 1890 he entered the employ of Butz, Frederick & Company, thereby qualifying himself to become a member of the firm in 1898, at which time his uncle, Solomon S., retired, and he acquired a part of the interest. Painstaking, industrious and conscientious, he has in a great measure contributed to the enviable reputation of this firm. He is a charter member of Hancock Conclave, No. 120, Improved Order of Heptasophs, of which organization he has been the financier since 1891. Mr. Frederick married, in June, 1886, Jemima A., a daughter of David D. and Levina (Kaull) Daubert. They have had children: Margaret, who died in 1890, aged seven and a half years; Herbert Benneville, born in 1891; Samuel, born in 1895. Both sons attended the public schools of Allentown. Herbert was graduated from the Allentown High School in 1907, and during 1908 attended the Allentown Preparatory School







Sol. S. Frederick.



prior to his entry in Muhlenberg College. While a freshman he became a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity; was appointed editor-in-chief of the art department of the college year book when a sophomore; won the Clemmie L. Ulrich oratorical prize during his junior year, and in his senior year won the Inter-Society oratorical contest, thereby becoming the eligible representative of the college in the Pennsylvania Inter-Collegiate oratorical contest held at Gettysburg. By a unanimous vote he won the Inter-Collegiate prize and this gained for him the honor of being the first Muhlenberg student to be identified in the three contests mentioned in the history of the college. He is now a student in the law department of the University of Pennsylvania. Samuel David, at present a student at Muhlenberg College, has attained marked prominence through his ability as an artist and illustrator. During his course at High School he was the art editor of the *Canary and Blue*.

JOSEPH, son of Benneville and Sarah (Ritter) Frederick, was born in Allentown, July 8, 1866. He attended the city schools until he became connected with the C. A. Dorney Furniture Company, where he had charge of the carving department for several years. Later he and his brothers, Charles S. and William J., conducted a clothing house at No. 816 Hamilton street. He was connected with this until 1901, when he became a member of the firm of Butz, Frederick & Company. He and his family are members of Christ's Lutheran church, where he has served as one of its first deacons. He is a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, Free and Accepted Masons; Allen Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Allen Commandery, Knights Templar; Allen Council, Royal and Select Masters. Mr. Frederick married, May 9, 1889, Hannah A., daughter of Jacob A. Lawfer, and they have one child, Edward L.

CHARLES S., son of Benneville and Sarah (Ritter) Frederick, was born in Allentown, July 8, 1868. He attended the public schools and the Allentown Business College, being graduated from the latter institution in 1885. He then accepted a position as bookkeeper in the clothing establishment of his brother, William J. In 1890 he was admitted as a partner in the firm of W. J. Frederick & Brother, which continued until 1894, when his brother Joseph was admitted, and the firm became E. J. Frederick & Brothers. In 1898 they closed out, and Mr. Frederick accepted a position as cashier with the Grand Union Tea Company, and continued with them until October 1, 1899, when he was transferred by that company to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, as manager of their store in that city. He held this position until October 1, 1901, when he resigned and re-

turned to Allentown, becoming the voucher clerk for the Bethlehem Steel Company, a most responsible post. May 1, 1907, he resigned from this position in order to accept one as auditor on the chain of stores of the Prince Furniture Company, these being located at Rochester, Hazleton, Pittston and Allentown, the latter being the headquarters. He resigned this office in August, 1910, and accepted his present position of manager of the plant of A. H. Balliet & Company, with almost three hundred people under his control. His religious affiliation is with Christ's Lutheran church, of which he has been a trustee three years. He has served as a Democratic member of the common council in 1909-10-11. Fraternally he is a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, Free and Accepted Masons. Mr. Frederick married, October 24, 1889, Catherine J., a daughter of Charles E. and Susan (Snyder) Boyer, of Allentown, and they have had children: Stanley C., was graduated from the Allentown High School in the class of 1907; Allentown Preparatory School, class of 1908, and was a student at Muhlenberg College three years. In April, 1912, he became a clerk for A. H. Balliet & Company. Helen C., was graduated from the Allentown High School in the class of 1908; the Allentown College for Women in the class of 1910. Joseph B., a student in the Allentown High School, who died Aug. 12, 1914, aged 18 years.

SOLOMON S., son of Solomon and Rachael (Smith) Frederick, was born in Longswamp township, January 12, 1840, and died at his home at No. 1034 Hamilton street, Allentown, February 8, 1913. He was in his fourth year when his father died, and he became a member of the family of his uncle George. He worked on farms in Maxatawny and in 1860 came to Allentown and entered the employ of Mosser, Keck & Company, at their tannery in East Allentown. In 1864 his brother, Benneville Frederick, formed a partnership with the late Levi Butz, in the planing mill and lumber business at Nos. 1016 to 1020 Maple street, and in 1885 Joseph Kline bought an interest in the firm, the name of which was then changed to Butz, Frederick & Company. After a few months Mr. Kline sold his interest to Solomon S. Frederick, who then left the employ of Mr. Mosser and devoted all his time to his new interests. He continued a member of the firm until 1892, when he sold out to Frank H. Frederick and Elmer E. Butz, who, with Joseph Frederick and Harry O. Butz, constitute the present firm. Since that time Mr. Frederick had engaged in several other enterprises. He became an authority on property valuation and gave the city the benefit of his experience in one term which he served as city assessor,

declining a renomination for the office. Mr. Frederick was a Republican in politics, and served several terms as a member of the common council, representing the Third ward; was a member of the school board, and for ten years served as a member of the board of directors of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company, in which his real estate experience made him a valued official. Mr. Frederick was a veteran of the Civil War, having fought in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, under Captain John P. Dillinger. He was mustered into service, August 13, 1862, and honorably discharged May 19, 1863, after seeing eight months of hard service and engagements at Antietam and Chancellorsville, at the former of which he was wounded by a shot through the knee. He was past grand of Allen Lodge, No. 71, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a member of Unity Encampment, of the same order. He joined St. John's Lutheran congregation and served in the church council for a number of years. With the organization of Christ Lutheran church, in 1903, he transferred his membership there. He was a member of the first church council from 1903 to 1905, and again from 1906 to 1909. He was chairman of the building committee which had in charge the erection of the beautiful church edifice at Thirteenth and Hamilton streets. Mr. Frederick married, in 1864, Emelina, a daughter of George and Rebecca (Seip) Keck, and of the four children born to them the only survivor is Loeda B., and those who died were: Alice, Maria and Mrs. Martin Creitz. One sister also survived Mr. Frederick, Mrs. James Smith, of Fogelsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania.

John Frederick was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, removed to Hazleton, where he lived a number of years, then made his home with his son, Reuben, in Fogelsville. He was a cousin of Benneville and Solomon Frederick, of Allentown. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran Church. He married Catherine De Long, and they had: Reuben, of further mention; Nathan, a farmer of Whitehall township. By his first wife he had children: Calvin; Oscar; Susan, married Mr. Tutton; Rebecca, married Joseph Custard. By his second wife he had: Corella, Nathan, Archibald, Cinderella, and Ida.

Reuben, son of John and Catherine (De Long) Frederick, was born in Longswamp township, October 12, 1818. He was baptized in infancy, his sponsors being Philip Frederick and Susanna Heimbach, and he was confirmed in the Lutheran faith in 1834. For some years he was a carpenter, then became a farmer and also operated a saw mill which was located in South Whitehall township,

at Schantz's Spring. He was a member of the Lutheran Church at Cedarville, and is buried there. He married, first, Susanna, born June 25, 1820, died in 1861, a daughter of Philip and Lydia (Larosch) Romig, and had: John B., born March 29, 1842; Sarah Ann, February 29, 1845; Clara E., September 21, 1849; Lydia, May 29, 1852; William, March 24, 1859. He married, second, in 1863, Judith, born October 12, 1834, daughter of Philip and Elizabeth (Hollenbach) Fenstermacher; she now lives near Dorney's Park, South Whitehall township. Children: Ida, married C. W. Romig; Richard L., of further mention; Annie, died unmarried at the age of twenty-four years; Tilghman G., of Reading; Lillie, married Joseph Jacobs; Ella, married Charles Rahmer; Reuben, died at the age of seventeen years; Robert J., of further mention.

RICHARD L., son of Reuben and Judith (Fenstermacher) Frederick, was born in Upper Macungie, Lehigh county, September 6, 1866, and lived on the farm until he had attained the age of nineteen years. He then learned the milling trade which he followed for fifteen years at Schantz's Spring. In 1887 he went to Catasauqua, where he remained three years, then was in the milling business in New Jersey. In the spring of 1902 he came to Allentown and was engaged in the brick manufacturing business for five years in association with his brother Robert J. and Thomas L. Scherer. They operated under the style of the West End Brick Company and were incorporated for twenty thousand dollars. They were engaged in business under this name four years when the Frederick Brothers purchased the interest of Mr. Scherer and since 1906 conduct the business under the name of Frederick Brothers. They employ forty men and manufacture five millions of brick annually. Their office and yards are located at Fifteenth and Allen streets and their business is mostly local. Mr. Frederick married Mary, daughter of Tilghman and Eliza (Helfrich) Mertz, of Allentown, and they have no children. They are members of the Evangelical Church, are active in church and Sunday school work, and reside at No. 126 North Fourteenth street.

ROBERT J., son of Reuben and Judith (Fenstermacher) Frederick, was born in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, July 26, 1878, and was reared to the pursuit of a farm life. In 1883 he came to Allentown and for some years worked in a brick yard, learning all the details of the business, and in 1900 engaged in the manufacture of bricks independently. In 1902 he became a member of the West End Brick Company. He married, first, in 1901, Anna R., born in 1879,



died in 1902, a daughter of Frederick Seitz, of Allentown, and they had one daughter, Anna R. He married, second, in July, 1904, Louise L., daughter of James Roberts, of Allentown. Children: Pauline L., Robert, Jr., and Caroline S. They reside at No. 1425 Linden street.

Richard L. and Robert J. Frederick own the Peter and Susanna Butz homestead, in North Whitehall township, which consists of one hundred and sixty-five acres. Several excellent springs of water are on this farm, on which the Indians frequently congregated. An Indian chief had his camping ground on this farm. A stone house built in 1805 by Peter and Susanna Butz, also a barn built in 1817, are still standing and are in good condition. These acres are successfully cultivated by the Frederick brothers since their purchase of them in April, 1911. They make a specialty of dairy farming, have sanitary barn equipment and a herd of fine cattle of high breeds. They are large real estate dealers of Allentown, and have erected a considerable number of buildings throughout the city.

Johannes Frederick made a will dated April 25, 1790, and this was probated June 14, 1792. He married Eva Barbara Hauck, born in Colebrookdale township, Berks county, died November 14, 1826, being survived by fifty-nine grandchildren and ninety great-grandchildren. They had six sons and seven daughters. Among these were: John, married Christian Fogel; Salome, married Samuel Stabp; Susanna, married John Nagle; Elizabeth, married John Rohn; Barbara, married, June 4, 1781, Martin Ritter, Jr.; Mary; Daniel, born June 9, 1772, died November 19, 1841; he married Elizabeth Barbara Fuchs, born December 25, 1775, died February 7, 1850; J. George, born July 11, 1774, died October 25, 1851. He married Anna Catharina , born August 12, 1779, died January 15, 1875, and they had a daughter, Elizabeth, born June 15, 1812, died May 12, 1867.

Philip Frederick lived upon a farm in Lower Macungie township. He cultivated the tract upon which he lived, but he owned another farm in the same district. He was a blacksmith by trade. He was married to Maria (Polly) Heffner and died at the age of 73 years. Their children follow: Joel, Stephen, John, Aaron, Mary, Lovina, Melleseña, James and Benneville.

Joel Frederick, son of Philip, was born September 1, 1861. He had learned the blacksmith trade but for a number of years had been an engineer at the iron ore mines around Macungie, Pa. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and, like his father, was buried at the Lehigh

church graveyard. He died at the age of 37 years, two months and three days.

He was married to Lovina Haas, a daughter of Abraham and Polly (Bachman) Haas. She died in 1863, aged 38 years. Their five children follow: Eli F., whose history follows; Annie, married to Samuel Rabenold, residing at Allentown; Lewis, who is a retired farmer living west of Dayton, Ohio; Elemanda, widow of Charles Moyer, lives at Allentown; and William, who died in infancy.

ELI F. FREDERICK, son of Joel, resides at Allentown. He was born near Trexlertown, April 19, 1850. He attended the public schools of his native community and worked for his grandfather upon the farm until he was twenty-five years of age. Afterwards he was employed at the iron ore beds in the Macungie townships, working as engineer and foreman. He served in the last named position for Butz & Lichtenwalner for a period of ten years. On April 1, 1893, he came to Allentown and for twenty-one years was employed by H. Leh & Company, working as engineer, on the farm and in the store. In September, 1913, he accepted employment as chief engineer with the Schneck Furniture Company. He is a confirmed member of the Lutheran congregation of Lehigh church. Socially he is connected with the J. O. A. M.

On January 31, 1874, he was married to Kate Wisser, a daughter of Benjamin and Christiana (Rauch) Wisser, who lived at Topton, Pa. They have two children, viz: Harry, a letter carrier in Allentown, who married Sarah Freehelfer and they have one child, Verna. Elizabeth L., married to William Reichard, a painter, of Allentown. They have two children: Miriam and Blanche.

#### TILGHMAN A. FREED.

Tilghman Albert Freed, a member of the I. X. L. Tire & Supply Company, of Allentown, was born in the city July 14, 1893. He attended the public schools, and, after assisting his father for a time in the grocery, learned the trade of silk weaving. He then became interested in automobiles and after operating autos for different parties until 1913, he associated with G. A. Heimer, of Allentown, in forming a partnership for trading in auto tires and supplies, and they started in business under the name of I. X. L. Tire & Supply Company, located at No. 44 North Sixth street.

Wilson H. Freed, his father, was born in 1867 at Dillingersville, Lehigh county, the son of Alfred Freed, now a retired farmer, of Quakertown. He was a grocer in Allentown for twenty years, located first at Seventh and Cedar streets, and later at Fifth and Auburn streets, which

place is now conducted by his son-in-law, Roy Benner. He is now the owner and proprietor of the Palm Hotel, at Palm, Pa. He married Queen Ann, daughter of Tilghman Ritter and has four children: Lloyd, a ribbon weaver at East Greenville; Minerva, wife of Roy Benner; Firman E.; and Tilghman A.

#### FRY FAMILY.

This is one of the very large families of Lehigh and surrounding counties. A petition of record in the court-house at Easton Pa., bearing date, March 17, 1762, prays for the appointment of guardians for the minor children of *Conrad Fry*, late of Lynn township, who died leaving a widow named Hester, and the following named children: Jacob, Sarah, Esther, Moses, Aaron, Hannah, Joshua, Katharine and Elizabeth. Frederick Rosenberger was chosen guardian by the first four who were over 14 years of age; and Thomas Everett was appointed guardian for the others who were under 14 years.

The tax list of 1762 from Lowhill township contains the name of *Jacob Frey* whose descendants are numerous. In 1781 the tax list of the same district contains the names of Leonhard and John Frey. These doubtless were sons of Jacob Frey. The Federal Census Report of 1790 contains the names of Leonhard and Michael Frey as heads of families of Lowhill.

Leonard had three sons under 16, a wife and four daughters.

Michael had two sons under 16, a wife and one daughter.

The above-named census report records the following as heads of families, from Albany township, Berks county:

Francis Frey was the head of a family consisting of one son over, and one under 16, a wife and one daughter.

Moses Frey had two sons under 16, a wife and one daughter.

Frederick Frey was a farmer near Wessnersville, in Berks county, Pa. He is buried at the Frieden's church at Wessnersville. His children were:

Napoleon; Reuben (who was never married); Harry (lived in Hamburg); David (who is very old, lives at Reading); Rebecca moved to Ohio; Polly Reinert; and Mary Schmidt.

Napoleon Frey, son of Frederick, was born April 8, 1810, and for a time lived at Albany, Pa., and from there he moved upon the Paul Wagaman farm, which he cultivated. He was married to Catharine Billman, who was born Nov. 4, 1815, and died June 1, 1896, in her

81st year. He died Nov. 14, 1881. They are buried at Wessnersville, Pa. Their children follow: Jacob; Sarah (m. George Groff); Polly (m. C. Groff); Helena (m. first, Daniel Henry and second, Jacob Frey); Lucinda (m. P. Wagaman); Emma (m. Moses Werley) and Lydia (m. Henry Nagel).

Jacob Frey a farmer of Lynn township, was born Nov. 17, 1835. He was a drover for some years in connection with farming. He resides in Lynn since 1859, where he owns a 138-acre farm which he operated until 1898, at which time he retired upon an adjoining tract of 20 acres where he now lives. He was a supervisor of his district.

In 1857 he was married to Sallie Ann Leiby, a daughter of Frederick Leiby. Their children follow:

Joseph (deceased); John, of Steins Corner; Jacob, of Leighton; Moses, of Weisenberg; Charles, who lives upon homestead farm; Rosa (m. David Lutz); Sarah (m. Jacob Snyder); Abbie (m. Jonas Clauss).

Daniel Frey lived in the Stony Run, where he was a farmer. He was born in 1782, and died in 1860. His wife, Maria Susan Greenawald, was born in 1783, and died in 1857. Their children were: Benjamin, Gideon, Charles, John and Mrs. Isaac Neifert, who lived in Kansas.

John Frey was a carpenter in Berks county. He was born in 1824 and died in 1906, and his wife, Matilda Michael was born in 1821, and died in 1902. They are buried at Lenhartsville. Their children are: Sarah (m. Joel Boyer); William, a shoemaker at Klinesville; Eliza (m. Jonas Arndt); Maria (m. Fagcus Fort); Lenius of Kansas; John M. (m. Susan Gehringer). They live near Grimsville, and Lewis A., a farmer near Germansville, is married to Louise German. They have a son, Edgar.

Gideon Frey, son of Daniel, was born in Albany township, June 8, 1810. He was a carpet weaver near Wessnersville, where his grandson, Aaron Frey, now lives. In 1839 he married Maria Schweyer, who was born in 1814, and died in 1881. He died Oct. 28, 1877. Their children were: Daniel S., James and Jacob.

Daniel S. Frey was born in 1842, and died in 1907. He was a carpet weaver. He first lived at Wessnersville, and in 1887 he moved from Eagle Point in Berks county to Allentown where he and his wife, Anna M. Derr, died and are buried. She was born in 1851, and died in 1912. Their children are: (1) Sallie E. (m. Revellon Diehl); (2) Edwin B. (married to Hattie B. M. Layton). They have two children, Mary M. and Elmer S. (3) Minnie (m. C. Ursprung); (4) William M., deceased; (5) Charles.



James Frey was born in 1844 and died from apoplexy near Wessnersville on Jan. 4, 1913. He was married and had two sons and two daughters, namely: Henry of Kempton; Lewis, who is on the homestead; Mrs. Frank Kerschner, of near Wessnersville, and Mrs. Ellen Kocher, of Kutztown.

Jacob Frey was born in 1846, and was a farmer near Wessnersville. He was married twice. His children were: Aaron, Jacob, Amanda, and Kate.

Leonard Frey had a 117-acre farm near the Lowhill postoffice. Peter Frey, his son, succeeded him to the homestead. Among his children were: Michael, Peter and Magdalena, who married George Rau, who kept a store in Lowhill on the road towards Lynnville.

Michael Frey, son of Leonard, owned and lived upon an adjoining farm to the homestead. His children were: Abraham (m. Hettie Werley, who still lives near Lyon Valley); Elias lived near Claussville; Jonas was a rake-maker in Lowhill; Michael conducted a saw-mill; Mrs. Peter Bittner; Mrs. John Ebert and Mrs. Samuel Snyder.

Peter Frey, son of Leonard, was born March 25, 1778, and he obtained his father's homestead upon which he lived all his life. He was a member of the Reformed congregation of the Lowhill church. His wife was Anna Barbara Moser. She was born July 27, 1780, and died Feb. 7, 1856. He died October 5, 1859, in his 80th year. Their children were: Joseph, Michael, Nathan, Peter, Catharine (m. Reuben Kehm) Hettie (m. John Held), Maria (m. Solomon Rupp), and Sally Ann (m. Jacob Weiss, who was the father of the late Rev. Benjamin Weiss, of Lenhartsville).

Peter Frey, son of Peter, was born Dec. 6, 1816. He succeeded his father to the homestead farm which he cultivated. He was a Democrat and served his township as school-director and supervisor. He and his wife and family were Reformed members of the Lowhill Church.

His wife was Rebecca Derr. She was born Nov. 16, 1819, and died Sept. 10, 1898 in her 89th year. He died March 31, 1895, in his 79th year. Both are buried at the Lowhill church, which he served as a trustee for many years. Their children are: Tilghman D., Benjamin, who cultivated his father's farm one year, then died; Annie (m. Henry L. Schmoyer, of Berks county); Lydia (m. Edwin Handwerk, of Heidelberg township); Ida (deceased, was the wife of Silas H. Bittner); Phaon D. (m. Kate Ettlinger). He is the baker at the K. S. N. S., at Kutztown, and Sarah (m. James F. George).

Joseph Frey, son of Peter, was a farmer of

Lowhill township. He died at Kutztown in 1895, at the age of eighty-three years. He was married to Sydney Dornblaser, daughter of Jacob, of Upper Macungie. She died in 1886, aged 73 years. They had ten children: Caroline (m. William Bieber); Sallie (m. Edward Jones); Henry; Benjamin (m. 1st Agnes Kramlich, 2nd, Rebecca Laurisch); Louisa (twin sister of Benjamin, m. to Daniel Wisser); Sepharus (m. Elizabeth Herring); Lizzie (went to Illinois and married — Wallace); Edwin (went to Illinois); Revere (m. Susanna Kutz); Rosa (m. Amos Bieber). His grandfather was Peter Frey, a farmer of Lowhill township.

HENRY FREY, veteran of the Civil War and retired carpenter of Weisenberg township, was born Jan. 10, 1839, at Fogelsville, in Upper Macungie, where he was reared and educated until the age of sixteen years; then he worked for the farmers of the vicinity for two years; then learned the trade of carpenter, which he followed for twenty-five years. The Civil War having broken out he enlisted November 12, 1862, at Reading, in Co. I, 167th Reg't Penna. Vol. Inf., commanded by Capt. J. M. Shollenberger, and during his services he was promoted to 4th sergeant for meritorious conduct; and he was mustered out with the company at Reading, Aug. 12, 1863. Upon his discharge from military service, he resumed carpentering in Maxatawny township, Berks county, and followed it for two years, when he engaged in farming and carried it on in Berks and Lehigh counties not far from the county line for upwards of fifteen years when he resumed carpentering and worked for twenty years. Since then he has lived in retirement; at Allentown for two years, but from April 1, 1911, on his small, pleasantly situated farm in Weisenberg township, about a mile south of Seipstown.

Mr. Frey was married to Priscilla Xander, daughter of Jonathan, and they had five children: Mary Jane (m. William Laudenslager); George W. (m. Allena Wetzel); Eugene (m. Louisa Bertolet); Charles (m. Emma Wisser); and Milton (who died in infancy). His wife died Jan. 14, 1913, at the age of 76 years.

Michael Frey, son of Peter, was born in Lowhill township, where he was a laborer and wood-chopper. He died in the woods while pursuing his avocation. He and his wife, Lydia Holben, were members of the Reformed congregation of the Lowhill Church, where they are buried. Their children were: Sarah, married to Levi Smith and Levi Frey.

LEVI FREY, late of Coplay, Pa., was born Aug. 29, 1844, in Lowhill township. He was a shoemaker for some years near Werley's Corner. In 1867 he moved to Slatington and there he lived

until 1869 then settled at Coplay, where he followed his trade successfully until one month before his death, which occurred July 2, 1912, aged nearly sixty-eight years.

He was a councilman, school director and burgess of Coplay and was a most public spirited and respected citizen of that Borough. He and his family were active members of Mickley's Reformed Church, since 1871.

On June 23, 1867, he married Sarah E. Haas, a daughter of Peter and Mary (Arner) Haas, natives of Macungie, but later of Lowhill township. Mr. and Mrs. Frey were married for forty-five years and nine days. Two sons were born to their union, viz: Alvin R., who is the assistant superintendent of a cement mill in California. He is married to Clara Roth, of Allentown, and they have sons: Harold and E. Roy; B. Frank, of Cementon, is employed there in the cement industry. He is married to Effie, a daughter of Victor Kohler and their children follow: Miriam, Hester, Forest, May, who died aged nine years, Amy, Alton, Olga, Kermit, Emery and Iva Mary.

Elias Frey the grandfather of Edwin H., of Emerald, Pa., was a farmer in Weisenberg township, and he was a Reformed member of the Weisenberg Church, where he is buried. His children were: William; and Edwin, Henry, and Frank, who settled in Ohio; Reuben; and Uriah, Sarah and Rosa who died young.

Reuben Frey, son of Elias, was born in Weisenberg township, where he worked upon the farm until he was about 22 years of age, when suddenly he removed to Ohio, where he follows the trade of coach-making.

The mother of Edwin H. Frey, is Savilla Moyer, a daughter of William and Sarah (Raubenold) Moyer, who was a farmer in Weisenberg township. She was born Dec. 22, 1852, and has her home with the son, Edwin H.

EDWIN H. FREY, the proprietor of the Franklin House, at Emerald, was born in Weisenberg township, Jan. 17, 1876. He worked upon the farm until he was thirteen years old after which he clerked in the store at Sweitzer and later at Germansville, for a period of six years.

In 1897 he became a bar-clerk at Tamauqua, Pa., later at Buffalo, N. Y., and at Charleston, S. C. At the latter place he worked for the Leavy Club until he came to Philadelphia, where he accepted a position with the well-known Horn and Hart, restaurant proprietors. Later he served them at Atlantic City, N. J.

In September, 1902, he became a bar-clerk at the Mansion House, in Slatington. He continued there until Nov. 4, 1907, at which time he engaged in his present business.

He is a member of the Knights of Friendship, J. O. U. A. M., and the Slatington Hose Fire Company.

TILGHMAN H. FREY, son of Nathan, was born in Lowhill township, and began life as a farmer at Siegfried, Pa., in 1889, continuing there as a tenant until the spring of 1895, when he moved to South Whitehall township, upon the homestead of Daniel Henninger, Sr., which consisted of seventy-five acres of valuable land, situated near Muhlenberg College. He served South Whitehall township as a supervisor at the time of his death, having been elected as a Democrat. He and family were members of the Jordan Reformed Church, and he served the office of deacon in that church.

He was married to Mary Henninger, a daughter of Daniel and Mary (Lichtenwalner) Henninger. Their children are: (1) Mary J., the wife of Edwin Minnich. They live upon Mrs. Frey's farm, and are the parents of two children, Elsie and Elvin. (2) Erma M., who graduated in 1913 from the township public schools, and is now a student in the State Normal School at Kutztown, Pa., (3) Carrie, who died aged 5 months.

Peter Frey was a farmer in Washington township, owning the farm now owned by a Hensinger. His children were: John, who lived in Lowhill until about 1855, then moved to the state of Illinois; Daniel, moved with his brother, John to Illinois; Michael lived on a small farm near Egypt; George; Peter; Mrs. John Stopp; Mrs. ——— Stern; and Jacob, who was a carpet weaver, near the Unionville church.

George Frey, son of Peter, lived near Schnecks-ville. He was a carpenter. Afterward he moved to Newtown, where he lived until his death in 1863, at the age of sixty-eight years. He is buried at Unionville. He was twice married. The first wife was Polly Shirey, a daughter of John Shirey, and they had five children, namely: John, who settled near Liberty, in Adams county, Illinois; Frank, who settled at Quincy, Illinois, Israel; Catharine (m. John Souders, and they lived at Phillipsburg, N. J.); Peter, lived at Belvidere, N. J.

He was married second, to Mary Frantz, and their children were Willoughby; Minetta, married Alexander Kehm, of Siegersville, and Sarah was the wife of William Albright, of South Whitehall township.

Israel Frey was born Aug. 3, 1863, in Heidelberg township. He resides on North Sixth street at the city limits, Allentown. At the age of eight years his mother died and he was reared in the family of Daniel Henninger, in South Whitehall township. He remained in his employ until



he was twenty-four years old. He was then married to Justina, a daughter of Peter Roth and she died in March, 1904, at the age of sixty-six years. Mr. Frey followed farming in South Whitehall township for about five years and for one year he was the proprietor of the "Old California Hotel," situated near the city limits in Whitehall township. Afterward he worked in the Allentown Iron Works for fourteen years and for a period of over a quarter of a century he was employed by the Allentown Manufacturing Company.

He and his family are members of the Reformed Church. Their children are: Violetta, who is the widow of Robert Patterson; Amanda, died unmarried; Henry P.; George, died an infant; Charles, died in his childhood; Victor M., the coal and ice dealer, of Allentown, and Franklin, Alfred and William, who died small.

HENRY P. FREY, son of Israel, member of the firm of Ochs, Frey and Company, of Allentown, was born in Whitehall township, Dec. 26, 1864. At the age of nineteen years he learned the brick-laying trade which he followed as a journeyman until the organization of the firm of Ochs, Frey and Co., brick-laying contractors, of which he is a member. The concern, employs about forty people in the contracting operation and thirty-three people in the operation of the Grim Brick Yards, which they purchased in 1906. This established concern had the contract in doing the brick work in the following buildings at Allentown: Dubbs Memorial church, Commonwealth Building, Democrat Building, and the Mack Brothers Auto Machine buildings. This firm also had large contracts at Tamauqua, Lansford, and at Weatherly they built the National Banks; at Hazleton, the Reformed church, and at Northampton they built the Greek Catholic Church, besides many other buildings throughout Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

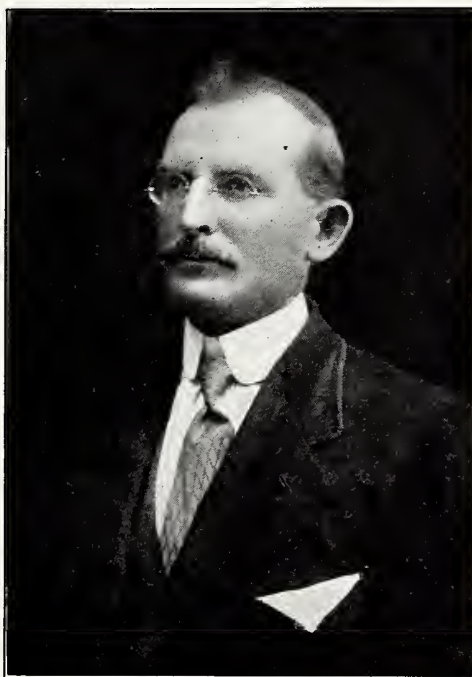
Mr. Frey is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, K. of P.; Allentown Aerie, No. 110, F. O. E., and the Senior American Mechanics. He and his wife are members of the Salem Reformed Church. In Oct., 1908, he was married to Emma C. Altamose, a daughter of George Altamose, of Broadheadsville, in Monroe county, Pennsylvania.

ADAM P. FREY, ESQ.

Adam Peter Frey, justice of the peace of Lowhill, was born Dec. 27, 1872, in Salisbury township, and when one year old his parents removed to Lowhill, near the Lowhill church, and there he was brought up on a farm. He received his education in the township school and the Keystone State Normal School. He began teach-

ing public school in 1892, and he has taught since then twenty-one terms, all in Lowhill excepting the first term, which was in Salisbury; and of the twenty terms in Lowhill he taught eighteen in the building near the Lowhill church. In 1900, he bought a small farm of twenty-four acres, adjoining his father's, near the church, and he has cultivated it since then in connection with teaching.

In 1909, he was elected justice of the peace for the upper section of the township, and he has since filled the office with satisfaction to the electors, his term expiring Dec. 31, 1915. In this time he has won the confidence of the people



*Adam P. Frey.*

and by his recognized integrity and ability has come to render much assistance in the administration of estates. He has served as local committeeman of the Republican County Executive Committee since 1906, having succeeded his father, who had filled this position from 1875 until then, together covering the remarkable period of nearly forty years. In 1910 he was selected as enumerator of the township for the U. S. census and as the appointee supplied the government with all the required particulars in a most careful manner.

'Squire Frey has taken great interest in th-

Sunday school for many years, and since 1897 has served as superintendent of the school organized in the Lowhill church in 1838 and carried on there in a successful manner. In this praiseworthy work he has had the active assistance of his wife as organist and leader of the singing. Since 1907, he has also served as secretary of the church council.

In 1899, 'Squire Frey was married to Ellen Bachman, daughter of Levi Bachman, of North Whitehall (formerly Weissenberg), and they have two children: Homer L. and Eva Mae, aged 13 and 10 years, respectively.

William F. Frey, his father, was born June 17, 1843, on the Frey homestead in Lowhill (now owned by Robert Frey), near the church where he was brought up on a farm and educated in the township school. He learned the trade of shoemaking under Reuben Zimmerman, and started business for himself in 1869, and he followed it in Lowhill township until 1883, when he purchased a farm of forty-eight acres, including a grist mill, in Lowhill, at "Lyon Valley," and engaged in farming and milling, having rebuilt the mill to meet the demands of his business. He also erected a new building for a hotel and secured a license, which he carried on with the farm and mill.

Mr. Frey was enlisted in the Civil War as a private in Co. I, 41st Regt., Penna. Vol. Militia from Lehigh County for the Emergency of 1863. He was mustered into the United States service for three months on July 1st and discharged August 3d. He filled the position of Republican committeeman of the township from 1875 to 1906, and served as township assessor for twenty-one years.

He was married to Catharine Schneck, daughter of Gideon, farmer, of Lowhill, and they had nine children: Mary (m. John Fisher), Adam P., William F., Jr. (m. Anna Schneck), Cora A. (m. Charles Henritzey), Emma (m. James Kistler), George W. (m. Anna Neff), Henry H. (m. first, Lillie Haas, second, Eva Lynn), and two died in infancy.

Nathan Frey, the 'Squire's grandfather, was born on the homestead, Feb. 10, 1813, and brought up there. He learned the trade of carpet weaver and carried it on for many years, until some time before his death. He purchased a small farm adjoining the homestead in 1833, and then also carried on farming in connection with carpet weaving. He filled the position of township supervisor for two terms, and served as deacon, elder and trustee of Lowhill church, being in the council while the church was rebuilt in 1858. He died Jan. 19, 1898, nearly 87 years old. He was married to Magdalena Bach-

man (b. Feb. 6, 1821; d. Dec. 17, 1876), daughter of John Adam, farmer of Weissenberg, and they had nine children: William F., Lucy (m. Abr. Haas), Peter, who resides in Ohio (m. first, Lizzie Bachman, second, Naomi Brause), Lewis (m. Clara Schneck), Sallie (m. Chas. Heimbach), Moses (m. Elmina Ebert), Amanda (m. Benj. Zimmerman), Amandus (died, three years old), and one died in infancy.

'Squire Frey's great-grandfather was Peter Frey, born on the homestead March 25, 1778, and carried on farming there until he died Oct. 5, 1859. He was married to Barbara Mosser, daughter of Philip, born July 27, 1850, and died Feb. 7, 1856. They were buried in the graveyard of Lowhill church, and they had the following children: Joseph, Michael, Nathan (above), Peter, Catharine (m. Reuben Kehm), Hettie (m. John Held), Maria (m. Solomon Rupp), and Sally Ann (m. Jacob Weiss). And Peter was a son of Leonard, who emigrated from Germany to Pennsylvania and settled in Lowhill township before 1781, where he secured a tract of 117 acres of land near the Lowhill church and carried on farming until his decease, when it passed to said Peter. This farm has continued in his descendants in a direct line to the present time.

'Squire Frey's grandfather on his mother's side was Gideon Schneck. He was married to Polly Gehringer, daughter of William, farmer, of Weissenberg, and they had eight children: Sallie (m. Alfred Lohrman), Abigail (m. Henry Sterner), Angelina (m. Henry Brown), Clara (m. Lewis Frey), Owen (m. first, Sarah Fenstermaker, second, Mary Fink), Catharine (above), Lucinda (m. Eliza Snyder), and Phaon (m. Laura Young). And Gideon's father was John Schneck, farmer, of Lowhill.

Mrs. Frey's father, Levi Bachman, was born in Weissenberg, near Werley's Corner, May 17, 1848, and brought up on a farm and there he carried on farming on a plantation of 71 acres until 1910, when he removed to Schnecksville and has since lived in retirement. In 1873 he was married to Angeline Seibert, daughter of Jonas, farmer, of Weissenberg, and they had five children: Tevillia (single), Ella (above), Kate (m. Elmer Geiger), Jennie (m. Frederick Haas), and James (who died in infancy). Her grandfather, John Bachman, was a farmer of Weissenberg, was married to Mary Kistler, and had eight children: Levi (above), Jonas (m. Sallie Seibert), William (m. Clara Semmell), Aaron (m. Emma Peter), Moses (m. Alice Haas), Allamilda (m. Franklin Moyer, of Slatington), Sarah (single), and Emma (died single). And her grandfather on her mother's



side, Jonas Seibert, was married to Mary Stephan and they had nine children: Angelina (above), Mary (m. Silas Kershner), Sallie (m. Jonas Bachman), Ella (m. Franklin Moyer, of Tipton, Pa.), Amanda (m. Joseph Zechler), Lizzie (m., first, David Fichter, second, Aaron Bittner), Rosa (m., first, Daniel Rubright, second, Franklin Hoffman), Franklin and Lewis (the last two having died in infancy).

Nathan Frey was a farmer in Lowhill township, Lehigh county, Pa. His son, William Frey, and Kate Dangler, were the parents of Harry Louis Frey.

HARRY LOUIS FREY was born Oct. 10, 1870, in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, and attended the public schools until the age of 16, when he went to Mahoning township, Carbon county, Pa., and learned the tailor's trade with David Miller, remaining three years.

In 1889 he went to Lehigh, where he opened a merchant tailoring shop, continuing there until 1891. He then went to Buffalo, N. Y., and vicinity places, then to Bermuda, from whence he returned to Lehigh for a period. In 1892, removed to Chicago, and remained for one year, then resumed business at Lehigh, continuing there from 1893 to 1898. He then sold out his business, and purchased a farm in Lehigh township, engaging in the poultry industry. In 1904, he sold his property, and engaged in the same line at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., until 1906. In 1907 he went to Great Falls, Montana, remaining there over four years. He removed to Allentown in February, 1912, and opened a tailoring shop, corner Turner and Seventh streets. Himself and family are members of the Zions Reformed church of Allentown.

Harry Louis Frey married in Dec., 1894, Emma A. Wehr, daughter of Owen and Ellen (Zimmerman) Wehr, of Mahoning township, Carbon county, Pa. Their children are: Verna A., Leah K., and Hilda Ann Frey.

#### JOSEPH P. FRY.

Joseph P. Fry, of the firm of Dungan & Fry, the son of Dennis Fry and his wife, Mary J. Newhard, and grandson of Michael Fry and his wife, *nee* Scheirer, was born at Ironton, March 4, 1860. He was educated in the schools at Mechanicsville and Hokendauqua, where he lived, after which, in 1873, he entered the store of Christman & Boehm, later J. S. Christman, at Hokendauqua, where he remained nine years. In 1881, he removed to Allentown, where he was a clerk in the dry goods store of M. J. Kramer, at Sixth and Hamilton streets, for two years. He then engaged in the paper box manufacturing business at Second and Hamilton streets, as a

member of the firm of the Lehigh Valley Box Manufacturing Company, for two years, after which he became a salesman for the Kendall Manufacturing Company, and had charge of their advertising crew for two years. He then became manager of the Allentown branch of E. Gately & Company's store, remaining two years, and on May 18, 1893, started in business at 341 Hamilton street, as one of the firm of Sessler, Dungan & Fry, changed later to Dungan & Fry. The business was subsequently located at 34 North Seventh street for three years and at 520 Hamilton street, for five years, and on Nov. 7, 1904, removed to 618 Hamilton street, where the firm occupies the entire building, handling furniture, carpets, rugs, stoves and house furnishings, with a trade that extends throughout the trolley system of the Lehigh Valley and employing fifteen people.

Mr. Fry married, in 1888, Mary J., daughter of Franklin M. and Lydia (Kuntz) Hower, of Danielsville, and they have three children: Florence L.; Edna M., wife of Harry Young, of South Bethlehem; and Ralph E., who assists his father. Mr. Fry is a member of Salem Reformed church; Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Lehigh Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Knights of Pythias; and Improved Order of Red Men. He is treasurer of the John Hay Republican Association and of the Newhard Family Reunion.

#### FREEMAN FAMILY.

The Freeman Bible, in possession of Miss Clara Freeman, 1240 Walnut street, Allentown, contains the following inscription: Isaac Freeman, born March 2, 1744; Elizabeth Freeman, born December 14, 1746. These are no doubt the parents of Richard Freeman, who at one time was the owner of the Bible. Richard Freeman was born May 19, 1787, in Northampton county. He died September 29, 1868, and is buried on the private graveyard on the old homestead near Freemansburg, where a number of generations of the family are buried. The homestead is now owned by Irwin, a grandson of Richard. Richard Freeman was married to Catharine Laubach, born November 25, 1793, died October 5, 1835. Their children were: Isaac, born August 11, 1813; Mary, born March 13, 1816; Sarah A., born June 25, 1819; Elizabeth, born March 16, 1822; Josiah W., born July 1, 1825; Catharine, born September 7, 1828; Clarissa, born December 5, 1830; and Levi, born February 25, 1833.

Levi Freeman, son of Richard Freeman was born on the old homestead at Freemansburg. He followed farming all his life time. He was the owner of two large farms near Freemansburg,

and another in Salisbury township. Early in life he was a Democrat and frequently used his large Conestoga wagon to bring voters to the poll. Later he gave his support to the Republican party. He was one of the leading members of the Evangelical Church in which he was class-leader, exhorter, and trustee, and frequently filled the pulpit as a preacher. He died August 13, 1883. He was married to Elemina, a daughter of Adam Sterner and his wife, whose maiden name was Yost. Mrs. Freeman was born January 26, 1830, and died July 6, 1907. They were the parents of these children: Richard A.; Oliver J.; Irwin I.; Clayton L.; Clara J.; Preston A.; and Rev. Milton S., who is a minister of the M. E. Church, in Chicago.

CLAYTON L. FREEMAN, druggist at Allentown and son of Levi Freeman, was born on the old homestead, near Freemansburg, January 16, 1868. He received his education in the public schools and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. When sixteen years of age he started clerking and continued this work until he went into business for himself, August 9, 1895, at Ninth and Hamilton streets. He and family worship in St. Paul's Lutheran church. He has been a teacher in the Sunday school for many years and since 1907 he is the superintendent of the junior department. He is a member of the following organizations: Camp No. 406, P. O. S. of A.; St. James Commandry No. 68, K. of M.; Order of Heptasophs Grand Fraternity; of which he is also district collector; Lehigh County Historical Society, and the Chamber of Commerce of Allentown. He is married to Alice C., a daughter of Willoughby L., and Fianna (Folk) Good. They have only one son, Lewis G.

#### THOMAS J. FRETZ.

John and Christian Fretz, natives of Mannheim, Duchy of Baden, emigrated to America between 1710 and 1720. Christian settled in Tinicum township, Bucks county, where he owned 140 acres near the present Heaney's mill. He had sons: Abraham, Mark, Christian, Daniel, John, Jacob, and Henry. Jacob, son of Christian, lived in the township and was buried at the Mennonite church near Coopersburg, where he was a member. He had one son, Jacob, born March 15, 1793; died Dec. 1, 1875, who married (first) Elizabeth Gehman, who died Nov. 24, 1828; (second) Elizabeth Driesbach, born May 19, 1829, died May 17, 1844; and (third) in 1845, Elizabeth Kiefer, who died in 1854. He lived in Upper Saucon and Allen townships, Northampton county, and was a farmer and stage driver. He was first a member

of the Reformed Church and later of the Evangelical Association. He had eight children: Mary, married Daniel Ritter; Aaron, married Sarah Holy; David; James, married Caroline Grube; Catharine, married Jacob Kratzer; Matilda, married Michael Ziegenfus; Rebecca, married Henry Kratzer; and Amanda, married William Patterson.

David Fretz, son of Jacob, was born Oct. 24, 1825, and died Nov. 26, 1883. He lived in Allen township, where he was a miller and was employed at the mills of Joseph and Samuel Laubach, about forty years. He was for a short time superintendent of the rolling mill at Fullerton, served two terms as a school director, and was president of the Hokendauqua Bridge Company for sixteen years. He was a member of and elder of the Reformed Church at Howertown. He was married, Jan. 1, 1852, to Susan, daughter of John Peter Beil and his wife, Christina Mickley, daughter of Peter and Salome (Biery) Mickley. They had nine children: Alvin, born 1853; William, born 1854, died 1854; Mary J., married George H. Schaden; Peter, born 1858; Emma A.; Clara, married Alfred Spangler; Alice, born 1863, died 1879; Thomas J.; and David, born 1867, died 1867.

Thomas J. Fretz was born at Fullerton, Aug. 5, 1865, and was educated in the public schools. He entered the Lehigh Valley Railroad service on March 17, 1882, as telegraph operator at Fullerton. He became way bill clerk at Allentown, Oct. 1, 1886; chief clerk, Jan. 1, 1890; assistant freight and passenger agent at Allentown, Sept. 1, 1893; freight and passenger agent, Nov. 10, 1895; division freight agent at South Bethlehem, May 15, 1905; and on Dec. 15, 1906, became general freight and passenger agent of the Lehigh & New England Railroad, at South Bethlehem, which position he still fills. He is a member and P. M. of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M.; P. H. P. of Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; P. T. I. M., of Allen Council, No. 23; R. & S. M.; P. C., of Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; and of Caldwell Consistory, A. A. S. R. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania German Society, Pennsylvania Society of New York, American Academy of Political and Social Science, Traffic Club, of New York, and the Bethlehem Club. He married, Oct. 29, 1887, Mary Rueter and has one daughter, Bessie R., married to Tilghman H. Moyer, and who has a son, Thomas F. Moyer.

#### JOHN ARTHUR FRICK.

John Arthur Frick, vice-president and general manager of the Allentown and Bethlehem Gas Company, is a native of York county, Pa. He



is descended from Andrew Frick, born in Switzerland, in 1698, who came to America, in 1719, his brothers also coming in 1739. Andrew Frick died in Lancaster county, Pa., Dec. 25, 1754.

His grandson, John Pifer Frick, was born Dec. 6, 1812, in Lancaster county, and removed to York county. He married Hannah Hershey, daughter of John Hershey, a farmer of York county. Their children were: William H.; Benjamin F.; John Jacob; Abraham, the father of C. C. Frick; Mary E., widow of Martin S. Kinner, a banker of York, Pa.; Daniel Brandt, who died in childhood, and Joseph Hershey, deceased.

John P. Frick died at York, Pa., Dec. 7, 1891. He was connected with the Farmers' Insurance Co., of York, and was a man of sterling integrity.

John Jacob Frick, son of John P. and Hannah (Hershey) Frick, was born Feb. 24, 1843, at Menges Mills, York county, Pa. He received his education in the public schools and in York County Academy. In 1867 he became a clerk in the First National Bank of York, becoming cashier in 1889. In 1896 he resigned his position to become cashier of the York National Bank, in which he became a leading spirit. His enterprise, honesty, and courtesy won him a personal popularity, and he is regarded as an authority on all banking matters.

During the Civil War he gave two terms of service, participating in the battles of Antietam, Fredericksburg, and Chancellorsville. He is an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic and also the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, and a member of the Country Club, and the Lafayette Club of York. He is very fond of out-door diversions.

John J. Frick married, Sept. 7, 1869, Mary L. Myers, daughter of Rev. Thomas and Sarah A. (Norris) Myers, and their children are: Norris Hershey, Alice Myers, and John Arthur, of whom below.

John Arthur Frick, son of John Jacob and Mary L. (Myers) Frick, was born in York, Pa., Sept. 6, 1880. He was educated in the public schools and the Collegiate Institute, graduating in 1897. He became an apprentice in the plant of the York Manufacturing Company, where he acquired practical business ideas, then he entered the Lehigh University at South Bethlehem, Pa., graduating in the class of 1903, as an "M.E." He then secured a position in the Philadelphia Gas Co.'s works, as a cadet engineer, and at the end of two and one-half years, he entered the employ of the Consumers' Gas Co., of Reading, Pa.

In 1907 he became general superintendent of the Savannah (Ga.) Gas Plant, and in 1909 he

came to Allentown and accepted the superintendency of the Allentown Gas Company. He has served as vestryman, and is a member of the Episcopal church, of Allentown, Pa.

Mr. Frick has membership in the following bodies:

American Gas Institute.  
Natural Commercial Gas Association.  
Past Pres., Pennsylvania Gas Association.  
Livingston Club, Allentown, Pa.  
Bethlehem Club, Bethlehem, Pa.  
Catasauqua Club, Catasauqua, Pa.  
Engineers' Club, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Chi Psi Fraternity.  
Lehigh Country Club, Rittersville, Pa.  
Jordan Lodge, Masons, Allentown.

John Arthur Frick was married Jan. 29, 1908, to Ruth E. Linderman, of Fountain Hill, Pa., daughter of Robert P. Linderman. Their children are: Mary Norris and John Arthur, Jr.

#### HARVEY E. FRIES.

Amos Fries, the father of thirteen children, one of whom was Harvey E. Fries, was born Sept. 26, 1826, in Weisenberg township. He was reared upon the farm and by trade was a stone mason, which he followed in Lehigh and surrounding counties. He lived retired several years before his death, which occurred Aug. 9, 1905. He was married to Polly Dengler, born Nov. 16, 1827, died Nov. 11, 1910. They are buried at Cetronia, having lived between Wenersville and Albrights. Their children follow: Benjamin; Solomon; Amanda, married to Willoughby Shoemaker; Elemina, married to Dennis Leh; James; Uriah; Lydia, married to O. Heimbach; Lucinda, married to J. Fenstermacher; Emma, married to Jno. Leh; Sevilla, married to B. Knauss; Harvey E.; Frank; and Mary.

Harvey E. Fries, the subject of this sketch, was born March 19, 1867, in South Whitehall township. When a young man he worked in the iron-ore beds for a period of about nine years, and afterwards for three years was a farmer at Cherryville. He then accepted a position as stationary engineer for Fuller & McKee, at Fullerton, serving the position for nine years. He then removed to Allentown and after working at different places, in January, 1911, he accepted a position as engineer of the State Homeopathic Hospital, at Rittersville. He has membership in the American Order of Steam Engineers; Independent Order Americans, Fair Council, No. 791; is a Democrat and member of the Reformed Church. He married Emma Oberdorf. They have one daughter, Stella, married to Winfield Beisel.

## DANIEL FRITZ.

Jonas Fritz was born near Kutztown, Pa., and died in Albany township, Berks county, at the age of fifty-five years. He was a farmer and laborer in the slate quarries. He and his wife were members of the Lutheran Church. He married Lydia Heckman, who died at the age of seventy-six years, and is buried at Slatington, a daughter of Benjamin Heckman. Children: Jane, who lives at Williamstown, Dauphin county; Daniel, of further mention; Elmira, deceased; Charles, a farmer in Kansas; James, a machinist; Oliver and Ida, deceased; two daughters, died in infancy.

Daniel, son of Jonas and Lydia (Heckman) Fritz, was born at Hamburg, Berks county, March 26, 1861. Educated in the public schools until he was fifteen years of age, he then commenced working as a farm hand, with which occupation he was identified until nineteen years old. He learned running an engine at the iron mines of Charles Barr; next had charge of the separator at the mines of Mr. Stelles, and this was followed by five years as engineer in the Ziegler mines, after which he went to Allentown. In the year 1891 he went to Fullerton and for five years was employed by the Catasauqua of which he was engineer. Later he entered the employ of the Dent Hardware Company as a foreman, becoming an engineer, and finally was promoted chief engineer. He is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Reformed Church. Mr. Fritz married Kate, daughter of Noah Bennicoff, of Berks county, and they have: William, architect and contractor in Fullerton; Charles, a ribbon weaver in Allentown; Floyd, a shipping clerk with a railroad company; and Elizabeth.

## FRITZINGER FAMILY.

This family traces their genealogy to Ernest Fritzinger, who came to this country from Switzerland in the year 1780. He was accompanied by his brother who settled in Virginia while Ernest located in Berks county. For a few years he followed teaching, later he moved to Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, where he followed farming. He had five sons, among them were Andreas, Jacob, Mathias and Ernest.

Andreas Fritzinger was born March 17, 1782. He lived in Heidelberg township at the base of the Blue Mountain, near what was known as the Bake Oven. He was a tiller of the soil. He died April 28, 1857 and is buried at the Heidelberg church. The inscription on the tombstone contains the fact that he lived in Holy Wedlock fifty-five years and that he was the father of six sons and six daughters. Among his children were

Andreas, George, Stephen, Lucy, wife of Dennis Rex, Mary, wife of Charles Moyer, Salome, wife of Conrad Henritzy and Abby, wife of Jesse Wotring, Ezra and Jacob.

Stephen Fritzinger, son of Andreas, was born in Heidelberg township, where he learned the shoemaking trade, which he followed but a short time, after which he became a stone mason, which he followed up to the time of his death. He was a member of the Reformed congregation of Heidelberg church, which he served faithfully as a deacon and elder. He was married to Catharine Sensinger, daughter of George Sensinger. They were the parents of ten children: Saniah, wife of Paul Kennel; Drusilla, wife of Reuben Bittner; Nathan, married Mary Miller, died at the age of 22 years, leaving two children; Henrietta and Frank; Rufena, died in infancy; Francis, of Lehigh; William A.; Flora, wife of Wilson German; Catharine, died young; Sophie, wife of Michael Jones and Osville.

WILLIAM A. FRITZINGER, hardware merchant of Slatington, was born in Heidelberg township Oct. 31, 1854. He received his education in the local schools, Lehigh Seminary and Ursinus College. In 1870 he was employed as clerk in the J. and P. Gross general store at Schnecks-ville. After working for this firm for two years they sold out to Bertolet and Bear with whom he remained as chief clerk for two years. In 1874 he entered the employ of J. and D. Mosser, of Mosserville, for whom he worked four years. In 1879 he was employed by Mr. J. Kramer in his store at 6th and Hamilton, in Allentown. In 1880 he moved to Slatington where he engaged in the hardware business. He is located at the corner of Main and Church Streets, where he conducts the largest hardware store in the upper end of Lehigh county, giving employment to four men. In connection with his hardware store he also carries on the plumbing business. He has installed either hot-water, steam or hot air heating systems in many of the leading residences of Slatington. He also had an interest in the Keystone Box Manufacturing Company, of Slatington, whose factory was totally destroyed by fire in September, 1911, causing a loss of \$40,000. He is assisted in his business enterprises by his two sons. He is also the owner of a fine farm of 127 acres in Lehigh township, Northampton county. In politics he is a Republican and has filled the following offices in the borough; Councilman, school director, assessor and treasurer. He and family are members of the Reformed Church in which he has filled the office of deacon.

In 1883 he was married to Ellen M. Scheidy. They are the parents of the following children: Stanley T., assists his father in his business, is



married to Minnie Williams; William H., book-keeper with the Keystone Box Manufacturing Co., and Irene C. married Dr. O. S. Harkins, D.D.S., of Oselola Mills, Pa.

Mathias Fritzinger, son of Ernest, resided in Heidelberg township, where he died Sept. 5, 1835. He was a tailor by trade and conducted a farm. He was married to Elizabeth Ross. They had the following children: (1) Nathan; (2) Rev. Jared; (3) Charles; (4) Franklin; (5) Fianna; (6) Caroline; (7) Abby; (8) Catharine.

Nathan Fritzinger, son of Mathias was born Oct. 21, 1814 and died Nov. 15, 1887. He was a farmer and veterinarian, and lived near Germansville. He was married to Caroline Hunsicker, born Jan. 30, 1826, died May 12, 1898.

They were the parents of ten children, all of whom are living, excepting Elias, who died in 1904: Aaron, living at Packerton; John, living at Packerton; Frank, living at Jordan Valley; David, living in Allentown; Paul, living in Cleveland, Ohio; Alfred, living at Walnutport; James, living at Walnutport; Peter, living at Lehigh-ton; Amanda (Kern) living at Hoffmans and Elias.

Rev. Jared Fritzinger, son of Mathias, was born June 29, 1822, and died March 25, 1900. He was a minister of the Reformed Church and preached at Green Brier, Northumberland county, at Bath and in Christ Reformed Church, Allentown, of which congregation he was the first pastor. He was married to Margaret Hag-enbuch, who was born Jan. 11, 1820, and died March 25, 1890. This family was blessed with the following children: Caroline E., born Jan. 28, 1843, died March 14, 1871, was married to Adam Snyder; Maria S., born March 14, 1847, died May 30, 1847; Richard J., born June 9, 1848, married to Maze Spinney, living in Philadelphia; Josephine H., born Dec. 29, 1853, died Sept. 30, 1855; William C., born Sept. 18, 1856, died May 6, 1873; Annie O., born June 11, 1861, married to Rev. Charles Sandt; Ida L., born March 20, 1865, married to David H. Kratz.

Fianna, born April 25, 1832, died Dec. 5, 1903, married to Tilghman Reinhard.

Caroline, married to Levi Haak.

Catherine, married to Joseph Roth.

Franklin Fritzinger, son of Mathias, was born in Heidelberg township, Aug. 15, 1824. He served as a soldier during the Civil War. He followed farming for a number of years and in 1868 moved to Cementon where he was employed in the Whitehall Cement Mill. He was married to Hannah Roth, who was born Oct. 25, 1823 and died June 18, 1904. The children of this family are as follows: Mary J., Allentown; Marie E. (Mrs. David C. Smalley), of Plain-

field, N. J.; Oliver F., mentioned below; Jeremiah, of Cementon; William, died, aged 17 years; Alfred, married to Annie Wotring, and died in 1911.

OLIVER F. FRITZINGER son of Franklin, was born in Heidelberg Township, Jan. 1, 1859. At the early age of thirteen years he began to work at public works and he has been actively employed ever since. He resides at Cementon where he built his present place of residence in 1889. He is also the owner of a farm in Pennsburg, Montgomery county, since 1909. He holds the position of foreman in the loading department of the American Cement Co., where he is employed since 1887. He is a member of the Reformed church. In 1882 he was married to Annie C. Stocker, a daughter of George and Diana (Leh) Stocker.

#### FRITCH FAMILY.

The progenitor, Johannes Fritch, had settled in Longswamp township, Berks county, Pennsylvania. He was born June 14, 1744, in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1764. He was married in 1769 to Maria Palsgrove, of Montgomery county. They had five children, viz: John, b. 1771; Jacob, b. 1779; John Henry, b. 1781; John George, b. 1786; and a daughter, Elizabeth, b. 1772.

John George Fritch, the youngest son, was born Oct. 10, 1786, on the homestead in "Long-a-thal," (Long's Valley), and there he was reared and learned the trade of miller in his father's grist-mill and this vocation he followed for many years. The later years of his life he lived in retirement at Kutztown, where he died in 1862. He was married twice (first) to Nancy Schwartz, with whom he had six children: Nathan, mentioned later; George, m. Dianna Matthias; John, m. Mary Glassmeyer; Levi, m. Sarah Long; Anna, m. Reuben Howerter, and they moved to Illinois; and Henrietta, m. Aaron Long. He married (second) Mrs. Dinah Matthias, a widow, *nee* Weida, and they had one son, Allen, who resides at Kutztown.

Nathan Fritch, eldest son of John George, was born on the homestead, Sept. 10, 1806. He also became a miller and conducted the old Fritch mill for many years. After living in retirement some time, he died in June, 1883. He was married to Mary Dry, daughter of Jonathan Dry, and they had nine children: Frank, m. Sarah Wisser; Jonas, m. (first) Mary Bogh, (second) Martha Auché; Trion D., m. Adaline Bortz; David D., history follows; Nathan D., m. Joanna Warmkessel; Mary, m. Dr. Peter Wertz; Sarah, m. John Mohr; Susan, who died single at the age of 22 years; and Emma, m. Harry

Bogh, lived for some years in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and died at Macungie in the home of her brother, Dr. Fritch in 1902. Her husband continues to reside in New Mexico.

TRION D. FRITCH, son of Nathan Fritch, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, Pa., Oct. 9, 1844. He learned the trade of miller with his father and followed it all his life. He operated Fritch's mill in Longswamp township until his removal to Norristown, Pa., where he and his brother, Jonas D., conducted what is now the "Stritzinger Mill," and earlier known as the Hubener Mill. They conducted it for four years. In 1887 he removed to Bethlehem where he formed a partnership with his brother, Dr. D. D., under the name of D. D. Fritch & Company, and they built up a large milling business. Two years later it became Fritch & Egner by the withdrawal of D. D. & N. D. Fritch, and they continued under that name until in 1904, when it was changed to T. D. Fritch & Sons. The firm are the manufacturers of a high grade spring patent flour, "Fritch's Best," "Fancy B. B.," also the famous "Diamond Rye Flour." Their daily capacity is two hundred barrels and they operate both day and night. This busy establishment in four years time has been idle but two days, which was occasioned by high water. They employ twenty-two people.

The main mill property was erected in 1886 and an elevator was added in 1892, and in 1908 another addition was built. The mill is four stories high, and 50x120 feet in dimensions. The firm also operates the Lehigh Coal Company, of Bethlehem, for many years. They are the largest coal dealers in the place. Mr. Fritch has been in active business up to 1908. He was one of the organizers and a large stockholder of the Bethlehem Trust Company and served it as a director until his death on June 7, 1914, being succeeded by his son, F. Nathan as a director on the board. He was an active member of the Lutheran Church and served it in all the various offices.

Trion D. Fritch married Adeline Bortz. Issue: Peter and Charles, both deceased; F. Nathan; Harry J.; Walter M.; and Ella, who married Rev. V. J. Bauer, of Bethlehem; and five who died in infancy.

HARRY J. FRITCH, son of Trion D., member of the firm of T. D. Fritch & Sons, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, Pa., Oct. 5, 1883. He was educated in the public schools and graduated in 1900 from the high school of Bethlehem; the Keystone State Normal School, and Muhlenberg College. He traveled extensively for three years in the Western and Middle

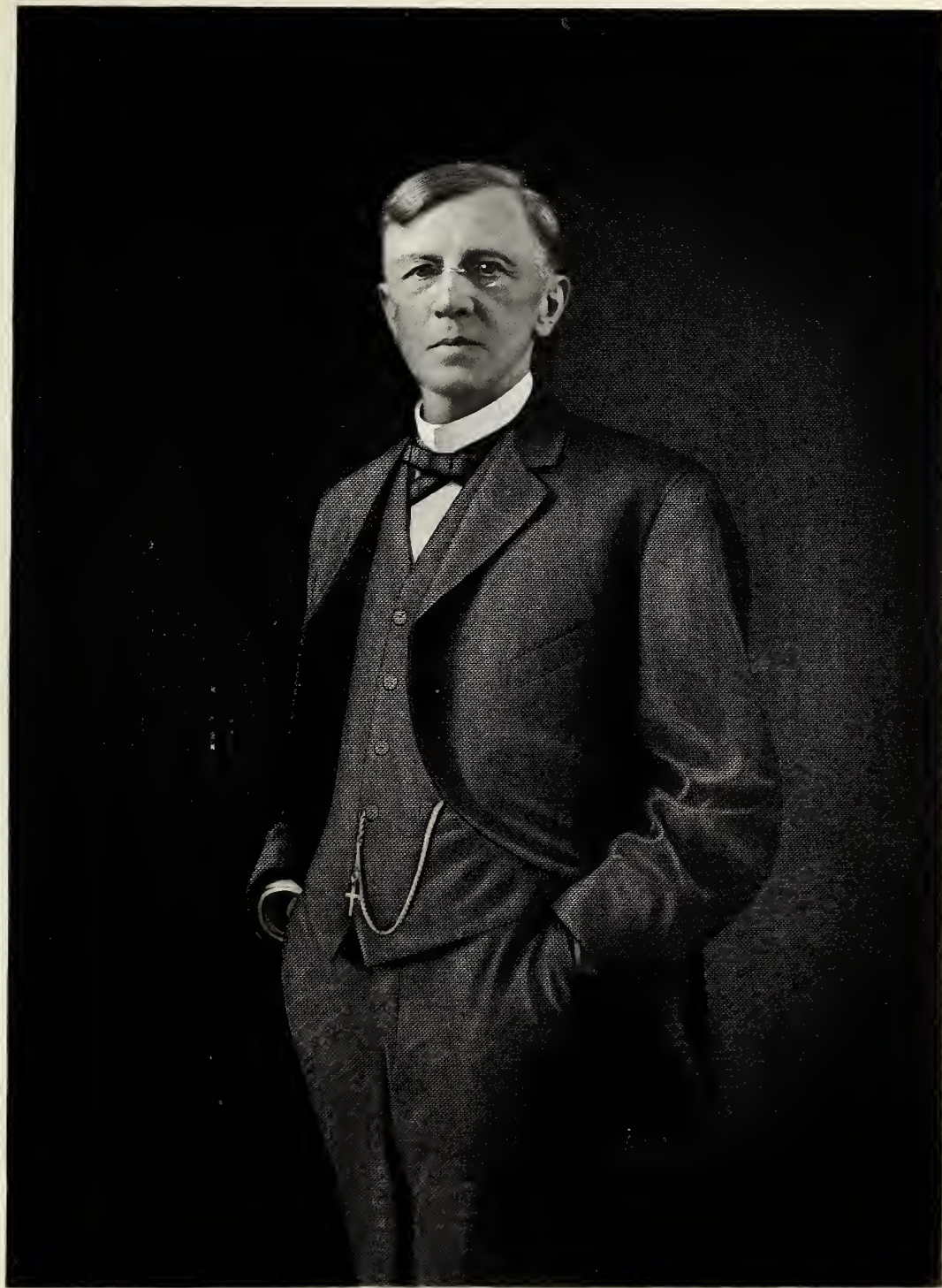
Western States, and in the spring of 1904 he became associated with his father, under the present firm name. He holds membership in Bethlehem Lodge, No. 283, F. & A. M.; Ezra Chapter; Bethlehem Council; Caldwell Consistory of Bloomsburg; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Pa.; the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity; and is closely identified with Alpha Roe Chapter of Lehigh University. He is a member of Salem Lutheran church and a trustee since 1908.

He was married Oct. 12, 1908, to Winifred M. Applegate, a daughter of W. M. and Amanda (Seip) Applegate, of Nazareth.

DR. DAVID DRY FRITCH, of Macungie, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, Feb. 4, 1848, and was reared on the old Fritch homestead situated near Mertztown. After receiving his preliminary education in the township school and at Reading and Collegeville, he entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania graduating in 1876. He engaged in the practice of his profession in the village of Longswamp with his brother-in-law, Dr. Peter Wertz, and continued in it for two years, but, preferring a business career, he and his brother Nathan engaged in the milling business at Macungie, Pa., which trade had been followed by the three preceding generations, the ancestor having been the first miller in his locality, having erected and operated a mill in Longswamp township in 1764 or 1765. The Fritch mill at Macungie has a daily capacity of 500 barrels, which includes spring, winter and rye flour. Mr. Fritch has the honor of manufacturing the first rye flour by the roller process. Their leading brands of flour are: "Triumph Spring Patent," "XXXX Fancy," "Eagle Star Spring," and "Keystone Rye." (See description and cut of mill under Macungie borough).

Besides directing the large and flourishing merchant flour mill at Macungie he has been engaged in extensive farming operations since 1899. He purchased a farm of 158 acres, situated partly within the western borders of the borough of Macungie. This land had been run down and was unprofitable, but by applying modern methods and intelligent management he soon realized an increase in production of wheat, clover, and potatoes, and in 1907 his crop of potatoes from forty-one acres amounted to 15,000 bushels. Naturally his remarkable success has given him a national reputation, and numerous letters have been written to him for advice in matters of agriculture. Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture in 1908, said: "Mr. Fritch, of Macungie, Pennsylvania, is the most competent person in the





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country to give advice on potato farming." He also has 1,500 acres of timber land in Huntingdon county, Pa.

Notwithstanding the great demands on his time in carrying on the milling business and farming operations he was prevailed upon to take part in local government and the development of local enterprises. He officiated as chief burgess of Macungie for four terms; served in the town council for two terms, and assisted in establishing the silk mill at Macungie, acting as president of this successful company from the start until the present time.

Upon locating at Macungie in 1878, Dr. Fritch became a member of the Grace Lutheran congregation, and he has always manifested a deep interest in the welfare and progress of the church and Sunday school, serving in the council of the church since 1878 and as superintendent of the Sunday school in a most efficient manner since 1888, a continuous period of twenty-six years. His activity in the church led to his prominent identification with the Theological Seminary of the Lutheran Church at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, which he is a director since 1899, and with Muhlenberg College at Allentown, which he is serving as a trustee since 1900; also as a member of the executive committee, and of different sub-committees in the successful management of the institution.

Dr. Fritch was married in 1878 to Sarah Weiler, daughter of William and Rebecca (Yerger) Weiler, of Longswamp township, and they had three children, viz: Luther W., Minnie I., and Marie. (Minnie I. died when six years old.)

Jonathan Dry, Dr. Fritch's grandfather on the maternal side, was born May 22, 1787, in Rockland township, Berks county, and died Nov. 23, 1872, married Susan Romig, b. Jan. 16, 1788, d. July 26, 1857, and had nine children: George, Moses, Jonathan, Joseph, David, Mary, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Judith.

LUTHER W. FRITCH, son of Dr. D. D. and Sarah (Weiler) Fritch, was born March 13, 1879. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from Muhlenberg College in the class of 1899. Since that time he has been associated with his father as assistant manager in the milling business. He is prominently identified with the Masonic Fraternity of Lehigh county, and holds membership in the following bodies: Lehigh Lodge, No. 326, F. & A. M., of Trexlertown; Allen Chapter, No. 203; Allen Council, No. 23; and Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar, all of Allentown; the Philadelphia Consistory; the Red Cross of Constantine; and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Pa.; also Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. E.,

of Allentown; I. O. O. F., of Macungie; the Lehigh Country Club, and the Livingston Club at Allentown.

Mr. Fritch was the organizer and first president of the Macungie Fire Company, and was instrumental in securing the fire apparatus for it, and he has also membership in the Liberty Fire Company, at Allentown; and in the Lehigh Valley Motor Club.

On Oct. 17, 1901, he married Cora Hagenbuch Clauser, daughter of Alfred and Elizabeth Clauser, of Allentown. They have two children: Sara Elizabeth, and Mary Clauser Fritch.

John G. Fritch, son of John and Miss (Glessmeyer) Fritch, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, Pa., March 21, 1847. He received his education in the public schools. About 1877 he removed to Allentown, becoming the colporteur for the American Tract Society and has been engaged in the book business ever since. Politically he is a Republican; and a member of the Royal Arcanum. He belongs to the Lutheran Church, which he served as deacon, and for more than twenty years has taught the German Bible class in St. Paul's Lutheran church. In the Spring of 1878 he was married to Sarah, daughter of Abraham and Sarah Moyer, and there were born to them: Robert R.; Bessie, married to Fred G. W. Runk, of Allentown; William M., deceased; J. Warren, teacher in the high school of Allentown, married to May Helfrich; Harry A., residing with his parents at 231 North Fourteenth street, Allentown.

PROF. ROBERT ROLAND FRITCH, son of John G., is a native of Allentown, where he was born Sept. 10, 1879. In 1896 he graduated from the high school with first honor. Thereupon he entered Muhlenberg College from which he graduated with first honor in 1900, receiving the degree of A. B. and in 1903, the degree of A. M. From 1901 to 1907 he taught in the Allentown high school, and since then has served as assistant instructor in the German department and Bible History of Muhlenberg College. Since 1909 he has taken up post-graduate work in German at the University of Pennsylvania. In politics he is a Republican, a member of the Lutheran Church, teaching the Young Ladies' Bible Class for thirteen years, served as organist of St. Paul's Lutheran church for seven and a half years, and is organist of Ebenezer Evangelical church at Seventh and Turner streets, for fifteen years. For ten years he has been chairman of the Religious Work committee of the Y. M. C. A. On June 30, 1904, he wedded Carrie M., daughter of Rev. C. K. and Annie (Stahl) Fehr, from which union were born Dorothy A., and Charles T. He resides at 1232 Turner street, Allentown.

## FULLER FAMILY.

The ancestry of the family can be traced back in direct line to Robert Fuller, whose eldest child, Edward Fuller, was the founder of the family in America.

Edward Fuller, the eldest son of Robert Fuller, was baptized at Revenhall, Norfolk, England. About the year 1607 or 1608 he fled to Holland with his brother, who was a physician and deacon. The name of Edward Fuller appears as the twenty-first signer of the compact drawn up on board the "Mayflower," previous to the landing of her passengers at Plymouth Rock, in November, 1620. He had two children: Matthew, who died at Barnstable, Massachusetts, 1678; and Samuel.

Joseph Fuller, a great-grandson of Samuel, was married Aug. 10, 1752, to Zerviah Hill. He bought land in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, from the Indians, June 19, 1767. Later he emigrated to Pennsylvania and his will is recorded at Wilkes-Barre. To him and his wife were born nine children: Joshua, born July 11, 1754; Benajah, born June 4, 1756; Lydia, born April 23, 1758; Joseph, born Dec. 19, 1760; Jehiel, born Dec. 15, 1763; Abigail, born May 16, 1766; Ruth, born Sept. 3, 1769; Zerviah, born May 24, 1774; and Jeremiah, born Feb. 24, 1776.

Jehiel Fuller, son of Joseph and Zerviah (Hill) Fuller, was born in Sharon, Connecticut, Dec. 15, 1763. In 1769, he accompanied his parents on their removal to Stockbridge, from whence he came to Pennsylvania, settling at a place now called Centermoreland, where he died. He married Hannah Hill, who after his death went with her children to Illinois, dying at Elmira, that state, about six years later. Their children were: Chauncey Day, born June 20, 1799; Arin; Ambrose; Harry; Jehiel; Malinda; and Hannah.

Chauncey D. Fuller, the grandfather of James W. Fuller, during his later years made his home in Lehigh county and for a number of years served as justice of the peace. His death occurred Oct. 5, 1870. His wife Sara (Abbott) Fuller, bore him the following children: James W., Orlando, Charles D., George W., and Abbott.

James W. Fuller, father of James W. Fuller, 2d, was born at Forty Fort, Pennsylvania, Aug. 22, 1821, and died at Catasauqua, Nov. 22, 1872. He married Clarissa Miller, who was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, a daughter of Henry Miller, who was of German descent. Their children were: James W., Orange M., Clarissa C., Abbott F., and Clinton. During the Civil War, he became prominently identified with the political and military affairs

of Pennsylvania, and was so recognized by Andrew G. Curtin, governor of the Commonwealth.

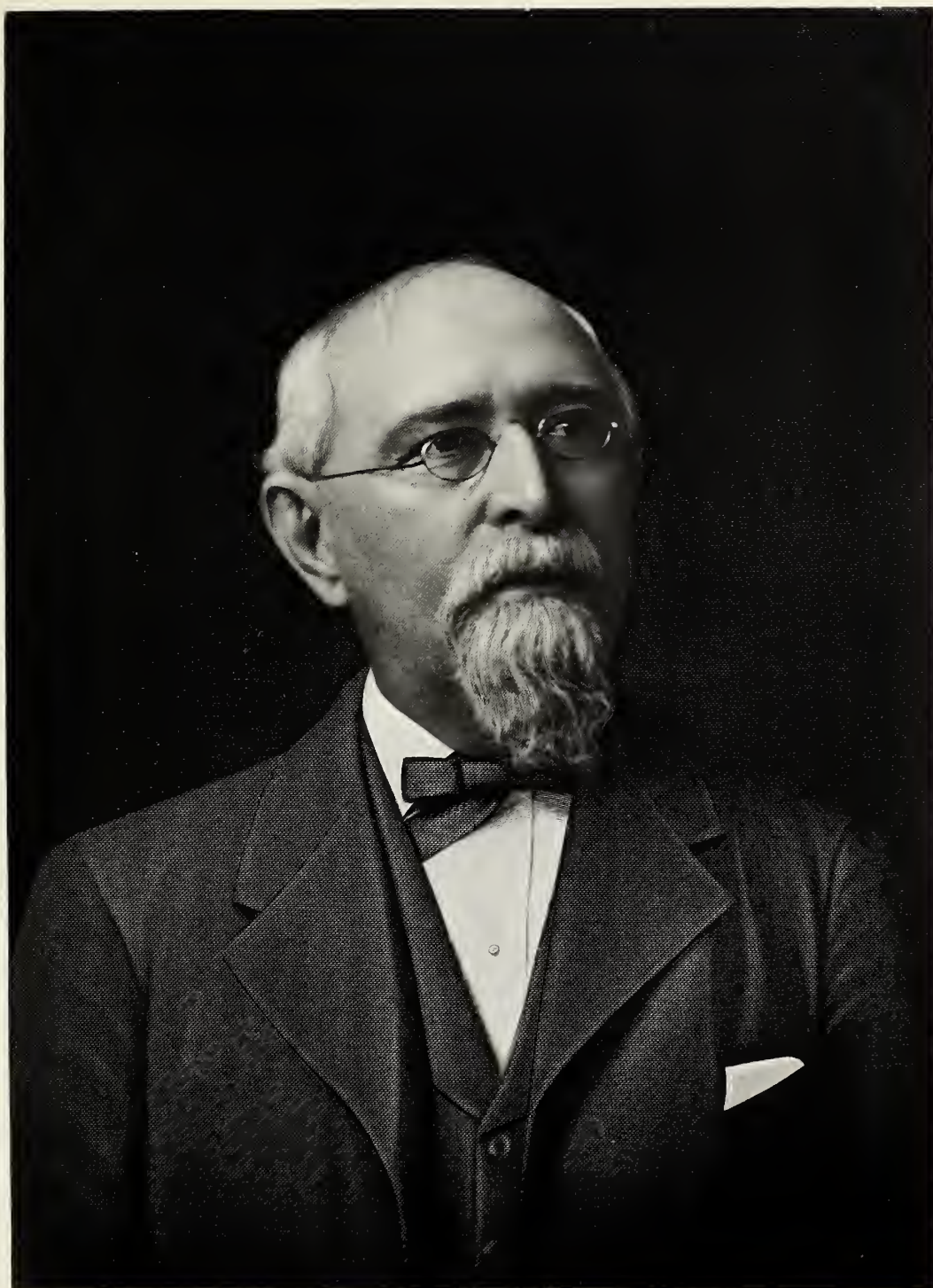
## JAMES W. FULLER, 2D.

James W. Fuller, 2d, was born March 16, 1843. He attended the public schools of town and private schools at Weaversville, Norristown and Kingston, Pa. At the age of eighteen he enlisted in the Union Army as a member of Company F, 47th Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, under the command of Captain Henry S. Harte. He was promoted to sergeant Aug. 30, 1861. On October 30th of the same year he was elevated to the rank as adjutant. After a protracted illness which overtook him during the first winter of the Civil War in Virginia, he was honorably discharged from the army and returned to his home.

In 1867 he organized the firm of McKee, Fuller & Company, proprietors of the Car Wheel & Axle Works. Beginnings of the plant had been made during the year preceding by Charles D. Fuller, an uncle, and William R. Thomas. The capacity of the shop at this time was fifteen car wheels per day. The new firm at once commenced to enlarge the plant. They bought the defunct concern of Frederick & Company, built a forge and added an axle department. Since then the firm was known as the Lehigh Car, Wheel & Axle Works, and developed an enterprise of much benefit to the business prosperity of the community.

The town of Fullerton was laid out by Mr. Fuller in 1870, and was named in his honor. So devoted was he to his charge that he made his daily trips to the works, personally superintended the mixing of irons for the casting of the wheels, and made the rounds among his men in whose individual welfare he was vitally concerned. His advice was sought in many spheres and his opinions were valued. He was president of the Catasauqua Manufacturing Company, a director in the Thomas Iron Company, the Wahnetah Silk Company, and the Ironton Railroad. At the time of his death he was vice-president of the Empire Steel and Iron Company and a director in the Lehigh Foundry Company. He had a wide acquaintance and large personal influence with prominent men in the Commonwealth. He inherited from his father personal magnetism and an alert mind, grasping a subject almost intuitively; had an excellent knowledge of men and had that peculiar ability in a great degree possessed by men of large affairs, in selecting men for positions of responsibility and trust, and attach them to him by strands of steel. From his mother he inherited a wiry constitution, love of





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rural scenes, of animals and a rapid manner of speech.

He was married in 1864 to Miss Kate M., daughter of Hopkin and Catharine Thomas. Five children came to grace their happy home: George Llewellyn, who died at the age of twenty-one; Maud, the wife of J. S. Elverson; Blanche, married to Dr. L. A. Salade; Mary Louise, married to H. D. McCaskey; and Lieut. Colonel James W. Fuller, 3d. He died Jan. 15, 1910, at the age of sixty-seven years, and is buried in Fairview cemetery.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL JAMES W. FULLER, JR.

The subject of this sketch is the son of the late James W. Fuller, of Catasauqua, prominently identified with several industries in the Lehigh Valley. Colonel Fuller is the third of this name, and is the grandson of James W. Fuller, prominent in Pennsylvania state affairs during the Civil War. By inheritance, Col. Fuller is qualified for membership in the Loyal Legion.

Colonel Fuller was born in Catasauqua forty-one years ago; received his early education in the schools there, and then prepared for college at the old Haverford Grammar School, Haverford, Pa., prior to entering Haverford College. He left, however, the latter to assist his father in the Lehigh Car, Wheel & Axle Works, and served his apprenticeship throughout the practical departments of these works.

Some fifteen years ago, he was made general manager of the company, and served in this capacity until the death of his father in January, 1910, when he was made president of the company.

Colonel Fuller is president and director of the Lehigh Car, Wheel & Axle Works, vice-president, general manager and director of the Allentown Portland Cement Company, president and director of the Fuller Engineering Company, president and director of the Lehigh Foundry Company, director of the Empire Steel & Iron Company, Crane Iron Works and the Railway Steel Spring Company.

The grandfather of Colonel Fuller, James W. Fuller, first of this name, was a close friend of Governor Curtin, of Pennsylvania, and served as a private in a company recruited by him at Catasauqua, Pa., and mustered into service with the three month men prior to the battle of Gettysburg.

Another member of the family participated through the Civil War, namely, George W. Fuller. He served as lieutenant, his company being sworn in on Sept. 19, 1861. George W. Fuller died later at Dry Tortugas from injury sustained during the war. Lieutenant George W.

Fuller was a brother of James W. Fuller, first of this name, and a great uncle of Colonel Fuller.

The father of Colonel Fuller, namely, James W. Fuller, the second of this name, enlisted as a private in the Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Infantry in 1861, and was later promoted for meritorious conduct to sergeant, and a short time later was made adjutant of the regiment.

The George W. Fuller Grand Army Post is name in honor of Lieutenant George W. Fuller, above referred to, and James W. Fuller, father of Colonel Fuller, was commander of this post at the time of his death in January, 1910.

CLINTON H. FULLER.

Clinton H. Fuller, late a prominent citizen of Allentown, was born at Catasauqua, July 24, 1858, son of the late James W. Fuller, First. The subject was educated in the schools at Catasauqua, and in 1871 and 1872 he attended Muhlenberg College, at Allentown. Sometime after the completion of his education, Mr. Fuller became the proprietor of the Globe Metal Works, and the sole manufacturer of Globe bronze and the Viola and Crane Anti-Frictions Metal. In 1883 he established yards at Fullerton, erected three large buildings and engaged in the scrap iron business, buying second hand boilers and engines. In 1889 he disposed of his Fullerton plant and with his brother, Abbott, he established a successful furnace at Catasauqua. The five furnaces he operated by electric motors. In the following year he purchased his brother's interest in the works and conducted a profitable business until in 1900, when fire destroyed his entire plant. It was then that he organized the Fuller Oil and Supply Company, in Catasauqua, which proved to be a most successful enterprise under the able direction and management of Mr. Fuller. He continued to conduct this business up to the time of his death on June 19, 1909, which occurred at his fine colonial residence, at the northwest corner of Eighteenth and Turner streets, Allentown. He is buried on the Fuller plot at Catasauqua.

His widow continued the oil business in a successful manner until 1912, when she sold it to the present owner; and she continues to occupy the Fuller mansion, at Allentown, which they erected in 1904. Mr. Fuller did much to develop the West End of Allentown, which is the residential section of the city.

He was prominently identified in Masonic circles, and had membership in Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M., of Catasauqua; Catasauqua Chapter; Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar, of Allentown; Philadelphia Consistory, 320; Lulu Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.,

Philadelphia. and Allentown Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. Elks. While a resident of Catasauqua he was a member of the borough council and in politics he was a Republican.

On Nov. 5, 1893, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma B. Bortz, daughter of David and Mary (Fegley) Bortz, of Shamrock, Pa., and granddaughter of Jacob Bortz and his wife, Susan Hiestand. Mrs. Fuller, was married, second, on Nov. 29, 1913, to Mr. Leonard G. Sefing, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume.

#### GABLE FAMILY.

Peter Gable (Gabel) from Germany, came to Pennsylvania in 1702 and settled in Bucks county. His wife, Christiana, bore a number of children, one of whom was Peter. The federal census in 1790 records the names of two Peter Gabels as heads of families in Philadelphia county. Jacob Gable, a descendant of the pioneer, was born July 27, 1778, and settled near Cherryville, Northampton county, Pa. He was a farmer. His wife, Elizabeth Freese, was born Feb. 13, 1778, died Feb. 24, 1856, aged 78 years and 11 days. He died March 8, 1842, in his 64th year. Both are buried on the St. Paul's church graveyard, at Cherryville. Their children were: Daniel, Mary, Sophia, Aaron, Tobias, and Lucy A., married to Peter Miller.

Daniel Gable, son of Jacob, born in Bucks county, Pa., Sept. 18, 1805, was a farmer and carpenter, which occupation he followed all his active life. He died on August 26, 1886, aged 81 years. His wife died July 1, 1897, aged 87 years. Their children were: Edwin, Charles and James, deceased; Sally A.; Thomas M.; and Rev. Zenas H., who was born in 1842, and after a useful life in the Lutheran ministry, died in 1909, at Reading, Pa., where he had lived since 1873. His first charge was at Scenery Hill, and other charges he served faithfully were at Gibraltar, Birdboro, Geigertown, Alleghenyville and Gauglersville.

Aaron Gable, son of Jacob, was a carpenter and lived at Walnutport, Pa. His wife, was Sallie Miller. They were Lutherans and are buried at Cherryville. Their children were: Mary, Priscilla, Helena, Sarah, Christiana, Amandes, Benjamin, Josiah and Aaron.

Amandes Gable, of Catasauqua, was born in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Nov. 28, 1842. He followed the carpenter trade for a short time and in 1881 he began farming and continued until 1909, when he moved to East Catasauqua. He is the janitor of the St. Paul's church. He married (first) Sabina Bartholomew, a daughter of George and Hannah (Dan-

ner) Bartholomew. Their children were: Sylvanus, of Bethlehem; Calvin, of Allentown; Erwin A.; Meda, m. Samuel Keim; and Cora, m. Reuben Knipe. After the death of Mrs. Gabel in 1886, he married (second) Annie Bearinger, in 1888. They have two children: Clarence A. and Annie M.

ERWIN A. GABLE, son of Amandes, the owner and proprietor of the hotel at Shoenersville, Pa., was born June 24, 1871. He worked upon the farm until 1905, and for a period of twelve years farmed the Thomas Woodring tracts, near Hanoverville. In 1904 he purchased the hotel stand to which belong 3½ acres of land, taking possession of it in 1905. He is a dealer in implements since 1891. He is a Democrat and served Hanover township as a school director since 1890. For eight years he was the treasurer of the board. He is a charter member of Seemsville Council, Jr. O. U. A. M. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. On July 11, 1891, he was married to Amanda Woodring. They have these children: Meda M., Eva M., and Mamie C.

#### GABRIEL FAMILY.

John Gabriel, the first of line here under consideration of whom we have information, was born and died in Germany. He married a Miss Stephens, who bore him three children, namely: 1. Wilhelmina, married to a Metzger, a butcher by trade in Germany, and who later followed this line in the United States; children: Henry, Jacob, Elizabeth, Janette, Ernestine, Louis, who died at the battle of Gettysburg in 1861. 2. Elizabeth, married Mr. Piscator, of Allentown. 3. Henry, of whom further.

Henry Gabriel, son of John Gabriel, was born at Herborn, Dutchy of Nassau, Germany, May 12, 1812. After acquiring a practical education in the schools of his neighborhood, he traveled extensively in Germany and neighboring countries to obtain all possible knowledge regarding the woolen and cotton industries. In 1836 he emigrated to the United States, and three years later established a woolen mill at Macungie, Lehigh county, Pa., where he introduced the Jacquard Loom, weaving figured goods, coverlets, quilts, flannels, etc., for the farmers of the neighborhood who supplied the wool. This mill is said to be the "great-grandfather" of all the similar industries located in this section of the state. In 1850 it was removed to Allentown, Pa., and was known as the Allentown Woolen Mill. Here the equipment was the finest procurable and the business was successfully conducted until August, 1873, when the plant was burned to the ground. Mr. Gabriel soon erected new





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buildings and installed new machinery, being better equipped than formerly for the successful conduct of business. At the Centennial Celebration in 1876 in Philadelphia, Pa., his goods were awarded first premium and a medal. During the early years of his manhood Mr. Gabriel cast his vote for the candidates of the Democratic party, but later became more independent in his political policies. He was at one time second lieutenant of Millerstown, now Macungie Washington Guards, a volunteer company attached to the One Hundred and Fifth Rifle Regiment of Militia. He served as a trustee of Allentown Academy and was a progressive and influential citizen of that city. He died and his remains were interred in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Gabriel married (first) Dec. 22, 1839, Aura C. Eggert, daughter of Matthew Eggert, of Bethlehem, Pa. Children: 1. William, enlisted Aug. 1, 1861, in Company C, Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and later in the Twenty-second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was mustered out at Philadelphia, Dec. 28, 1864; he is now associated with the Coopersburg Hosiery Company; unmarried; resides with his brother, George R., at Allentown. 2. Ellen Theresa, a graduate of Luthersville Seminary and Maryland College, and since 1867 a teacher in the public schools of Allentown; she resides with her brother, George R., at Allentown. Mr. Gabriel married (second) Sophia Gaumer, a widow, of Millerstown, who died and is buried in Fairview Cemetery. Children: 3. George R., a resident of Allentown. 4. Sarah S., born Feb. 18, 1851, died Oct. 24, 1902; married Charles C. Lodger, of San Francisco, Cal.; children: Harry G., Benjamin Franklin Lodger. 5. Anna M., born May 27, 1852; married Elias Helwig; children: John R., George A., Harold C. 6. Milton Stephen, of whom further. 7. Mary Alice, born Jan. 21, 1855, died in 1882; married George W. Deeths; no issue. 8. Henrietta P., born 1856, died 1886. 9. Emma W., born 1858, died 1912. 10. John Oscar, born Dec. 1, 1859, married Katie Guiley, of Easton.

Milton Stephen Gabriel, son of Henry and Sophia (Gaumer) Gabriel, was born at Allentown, Lehigh county, Pa., Oct. 13, 1853. He was educated in the public schools at Allentown and also attended the Pennsylvania Military School at Allentown and the Excelsior Normal Institute, in Bucks county, Pa. After his education was completed he assisted his father, and became a salesman, traveling through the Central and Middle States, and conducted a successful business for several years. In 1875 he was admitted as a partner in the business established by his father with his brothers, William,

George, and John, and the business was then conducted under the style of Henry Gabriel and Sons, which continued until the death of the father in 1887. Milton S. Gabriel had charge of the retail department until his father's death, when he assumed full charge of the entire business. In 1890 George and John Gabriel withdrew, and H. W. Goundie, brother-in-law of Milton S. Gabriel, came into the firm, and the business was then conducted under the style of Henry Gabriel's Sons until 1902, when Milton S. Gabriel purchased the interest of his brother and brother-in-law, and conducts business under the name of Henry Gabriel's Sons, or "The Allentown Hosiery Company."

The old firm was the pioneer in the United States in the manufacture of seamless stockings, which found a universal sale throughout the various states of the Union. The plant is finely equipped and the ground on which the mill stands was originally the property of the Allen family, for whom the town was named. It passed from them to a Mr. Frey, then to a Mr. Fink, from whom it was purchased by Henry Gabriel, father of Milton S. Gabriel. It has one of the two water powers on the Little Lehigh in the city of Allentown.

Milton S. Gabriel removed from Allentown to Coopersburg in 1905, and installed a knitting mill there, which is equipped with the latest improved machinery, and gives employment to many hands, thus making it one of the principal industries of that borough. During his residence at Allentown, he was and still is connected with St. John's Reformed church and was very active in church and Sunday school work, and since 1912 has served as superintendent of the Sunday school connected with St. John's Union church at Coopersburg, which has a membership of about 400. He is an Independent in politics. He is a member of Pilgrim Lodge, No. 189, F. & A. M.; Commander-in-Chief of Gomer Council, No. 13, Ancient Scottish Rite, at Philadelphia; is a life member of the Regional Grand Lodge, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Spanish Orient, of Madrid, Spain; St. Albans Commandery, No. 46, Knights of Malta; Allentown Castle, No. 55, Knights of the Golden Eagle; Lecha Monk Tribe, No. 201, Improved Order of Red Men.

He married, May 13, 1875, Annie Apple Goundie, daughter of George H. and Matilda (Kleckner) Goundie, of Allentown, and granddaughter of John and Hannah (Apple) Goundie and of John and Emma (Diebert) Kleckner. George H. and Matilda Goundie were the parents of the following named children: Annie A., aforementioned; Eliza, married Allen

Lichtenwalner; Margaret, unmarried; Emma, unmarried; Harry W., married Emma Kalbach; Matilda, deceased; Ella, deceased; Paul, married (first) Ella Litzenberger, (second) Elizabeth Mitchell; Jacob, unmarried; Benjamin, unmarried. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel: 1. Evelyn, married J. Edward Werner, of Bangor, Pa., a mechanical engineer. 2. Matilda, married Raymond A. Young, member of the Gabriel Hosiery Co. 3. Marguerite, married Robert D. Barron, cashier of First National Bank, of Coopersburg, Pa. 4. Miriam, deceased. 5. Sadie, a graduate of the Coopersburg High School in 1906; graduate of School of Elocution and Expression at Ithaca, N. Y., in 1908; teacher of Elocution and Physical Culture in Allentown Female College and also a student of Neff College, Philadelphia. 7. John, deceased. 6. Henry, deceased.

In February, 1914, there was formed in Coopersburg, an association called Coopersburg Neighborhood Association Company Board of Trade, Civic Committee, Recreation Committee, Home and School Committee, and Publicity Committee. Mr. Gabriel was one of the foremost promoters of same, and was elected its first president.

#### GACKENBACH FAMILY.

Among the pioneer families of Weisenberg township were the Gackenbachs. The record of Ziegel Church situated in that district records that John Gackenbach was a Lutheran elder in the year 1750. Doubtless he was the same Joh. Heinrich Gackenbach who emigrated to America on the ship "St. Andrew," which qualified (landed) at Philadelphia Oct. 7, 1743. Among the list of taxables in 1762 of Weisenberg are the names of John and Henry Gackenbach who paid federal tax of 10 and 12 pounds respectively. In 1781 the tax list records the names of John and Charles Gackenbach.

John Gackenbach, a grandson of the ancestor, lived at Trexlertown, and had three children: Joseph, James, and Mrs. John Bortz.

Joseph Gackenbach, son of John was a mechanic and made plows in South Whitehall township where he lived many years on a tract of thirty acres of land which is now owned by Solomon Fries on Walbert's Pike. Joseph Gackenbach was best known as an auctioneer, a profession he followed for twenty years.

He married Caroline Gorr, a daughter of Jacob Gorr. They are buried on the Jordan Reformed Church cemetery. Their children follow: Mary (m. Oliver Steckel); John J.; Henry J.; Ellen (m. Henry Remaly); Charles, of Sieg-

fried; and Ida, deceased, was the wife of John Murtaugh, of Siegersville.

JOHN J. GACKENBACH, a well-known auctioneer of Lehigh county, resides at Hoffmansville, in South Whitehall township. He was born Feb. 27, 1854. At the age of twenty years he learned the trade of blacksmith but he has not followed it. He engaged in farming as a tenant in 1888 and has followed it for fifteen years. From 1906 to 1910 he was the proprietor of Walberts Hotel; since then he conducts a temperance house at Hoffmansville. During 1911-12 he was the assistant foreman in the construction of the state road from Guthsville to Schneeksville.

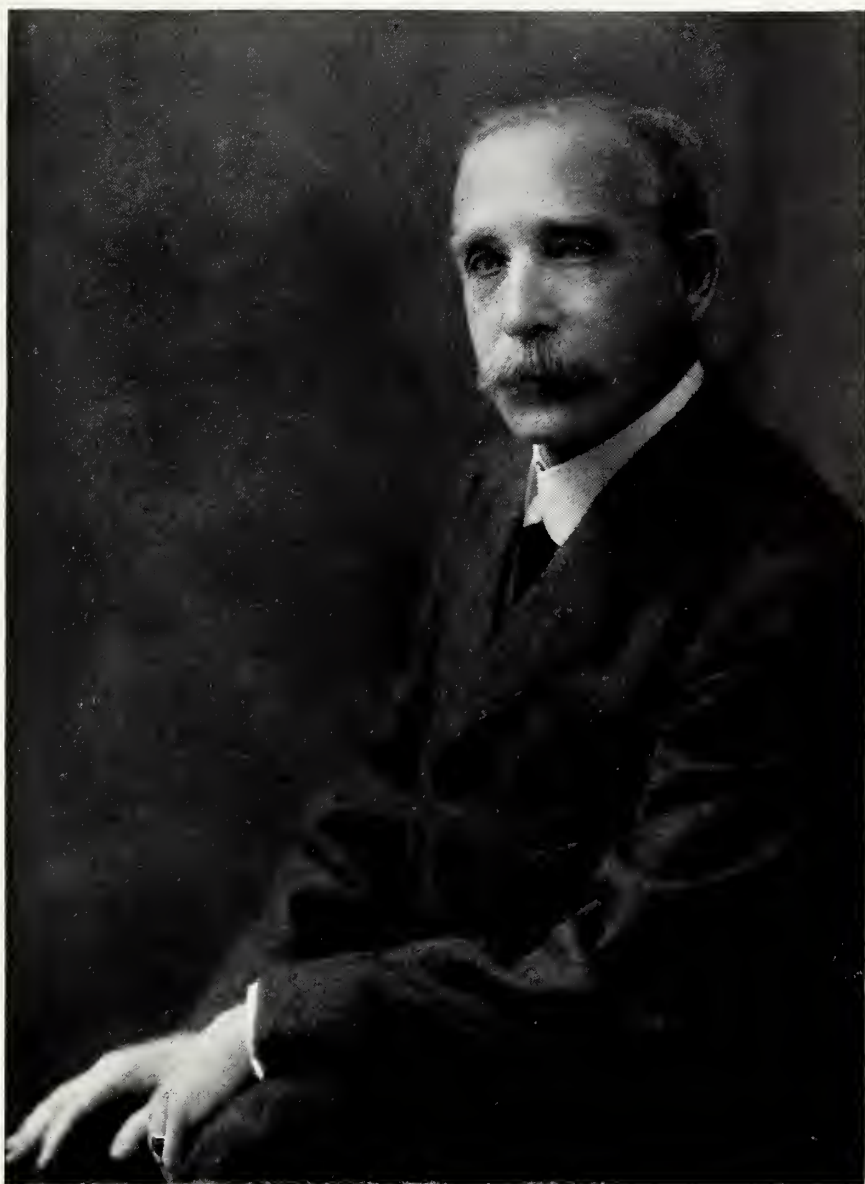
Mr. Gackenbach is an auctioneer since 1885, and he has cried more than 1,000 sales. In 1901 he cried thirty-two sales in that many consecutive working days. He has strong lungs and is a fluent speaker. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church, and for a period of thirty-two years Mr. Gackenbach sang bass in the choir at Mickleys Church.

He married on March 11, 1876, Ellen Frankfield, a daughter of Benehue F. and Magdalena (Scheirer) Frankfield, who lived and died in South Whitehall. Their children are: Charles T., married to Amanda Schmoyer. They reside in Allentown. They have a son—Paul; J. Claude died in 1909, aged 32 years; Clinton F. who is at home; and Maude C., married to Elias Grim; they live at Mickleys.

Henry J. Gackenbach, son of Joseph, was born Feb. 28, 1855. He removed to Allentown in 1884 from Chapman station where he had followed a clerical pursuit. He was deputy recorder from 1884 to 1887 under J. C. Rupp, his brother-in-law, and in the latter year he was nominated and elected to the office of recorder of deeds of Lehigh county, serving the office for three years. From 1890 to 1895 he was engaged in the grocery business at 1005 Hamilton street, and afterward he was engaged in the wholesale green grocer business at Allentown. After M. W. Ritter became the recorder of deeds he became a clerk and afterward his deputy. At the close of Ritter's term of office Mr. Gackenbach again engaged in the green grocer business until he was elected to the office of city assessor. He resides at 34 North Tenth street since 1887. He is an official member of the vestry of St. Michael's Lutheran Church.

He married in 1876 Mary E. Rupp, daughter of Hon. Herman and Julia (Haas) Rupp. Their children are Blanche, married to W. H. Bitting, a clerk in the postoffice at Bethlehem; Mame; Stella (m. Charles H. Hartung), of Allentown; Joseph R., married to Nancy Jones. He is employed with Gomery Brothers, at Allentown.





*Milton S. Gabriel*





Charles Gackebach, a grandson of the ancestor, was a farmer near Trexlertown, where he died early in life. He was a Lutheran member of the church at Trexlertown and is buried in the cemetery at that place. He was married to Catharine Wenner and their children were: Reuben; Charles was married to Mary Gernert and they lived at Trexlertown. Their children were: Maria, Eliza, Elvina, and Charles married to Jane Schneck. They lived in Kansas and have two children, Annie and Fowley.

Reuben Gackebach was born at Trexlertown, Jan. 10, 1815, died on July 15, 1887, aged 72 years. He is buried in the Union cemetery, in Allentown. He was a farmer, and iron ore contractor and hauled much iron ore from Hoffmansville and Siegersville to Hokendauqua and Catasaqua. He hauled ore for twenty years and had in use many horses and mules. He was engaged in mining ore in Upper Macungie and Maxatawny townships, employing large forces of men. In connection with his various enterprises he conducted his own farm of 101 acres located near Siegersville.

In his mining operations Mr. Gackebach had as his associates Nathan and Uriah Biery, and later J. N. Schrader who now resides at Breinigsville. He was one of the organizers of the Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Trexlertown and served it efficiently as a director for many years. He built an addition to the stone-house and erected all the other buildings upon the farm now owned by Thomas Sherer in North Whitehall; built the house on the farm now owned by the estate of John Sieger; built the residence now owned and occupied by Dr. Joseph N. Mertz, of Siegersville. He possessed great business ability and was a most useful citizen in his community. He removed to Allentown in 1871 and occupied the residence No. 32 North Tenth street until his death. This homestead is now owned and occupied by his daughter, Kate. He was first a member of the Jordan Lutheran Church but later he joined the United Brethren Church, taking active interest in the church, serving it in various official capacities and lived an exemplary life. He frequently helped others to his own financial injury and his kindness of heart was a dominant characteristic of his useful life.

He was married to Maria Helfrich who was born Sept. 18, 1816, died on Nov. 21, 1887. Their children are Daniel H., and Kate, who was married and has one daughter, Estella C., the wife of Harry T. Moyer. They occupy the homestead on Tenth street, Allentown.

Daniel H. Gackebach, son of Reuben, was born Aug. 18, 1836, died on July 9, 1909, on his farm in North Whitehall, and was buried in the

cemetery at the Jordan Lutheran Church. In his earlier life he hauled iron ore from Siegersville to Hokendauqua and Catasaqua. Later he succeeded his father to the ownership of the Thomas Sherer farm which he successfully operated until he died.

He was married first to Sarah Morey who was born May 26, 1840, died on May 3, 1870. They had Charles A., Richard R., of Bath, Maine; Nora (m. Isaac Levan of North Whitehall); Howard, a tinsmith of New Tripoli; and Robert of West Catasaqua.

He was married (second) to Jane Keiper. Their children were: Maggie, William, Minnie, Kate, Reuben, of New Castle, Pa.; Edwin N., whose history follows; and Annie. Daniel Gackebach had sixteen children by his two wives but four died young.

Charles A. Gackebach, son of Daniel H., was born in North Whitehall, Oct. 11, 1859. In 1886 he began farming in his native township as a tenant farmer, and in 1897 he purchased the William Litzenberger homestead of 21 acres. But his present property consists of 35 acres. Mr. Gackebach had followed trucking for a number of years but of late he is a general farmer. He and family are members of the Evangelical Church of Schnecksville.

He married Jan. 14, 1886, Amelia H. Wotring. They had one son—Wayne A. Mrs. Gackebach died Feb. 14, 1904, aged 43 years. He married (second) Nov. 14, 1906, Rosa Arner, a daughter of Edward and Mary (Semmel) Arner, of North Whitehall.

EDWIN N. GACKEBACH, of Allentown, was born at Siegersville, Lehigh county, Nov. 25, 1887. He was educated in the public schools and lived upon the farm until he was nineteen years old. He came to Allentown in 1906 and accepted a position with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., as agent. One year later he resigned this position to become the assistant superintendent of the Colonial Life Insurance Co., at Reading. The following year (1909) he accepted a responsible position with the Travelers Insurance Co., Hartford, Connecticut, with the Allentown Branch Office, and in this connection he handled real estate about Allentown until in 1910 he resigned his position with the Insurance Co. to devote all his time to the real estate business. He organized the Secured Realty Company, which has a capitalization of \$200,000. He served as the secretary and treasurer until in 1911. The following year he was elected vice president and treasurer and he served these offices until in May, 1913, when he became the president. He also chartered the Wenz Marble Co., of Kutztown, which has a capitalization of \$200,000.

This company located its works at Allentown in the spring of 1913, and they employed sixty men. He is the secretary of this company. Mr. Gackenbach, though young, has displayed great foresight and marked business and executive ability, and the corporations with which he is connected are successful.

He was married on Jan. 25, 1908, to Louisa M. Wehr, a daughter of Ludwig and Annie (Keiser) Wehr, a farmer of South Whitehall. They have one son—Russel L. D. Gackenbach.

David Gackenbach, born April 11, 1820, died on July 8, 1882, was a shoemaker at Allentown. He and his wife, Mary A. Romig, were members of the Evangelical Church. They are buried in the West End cemetery. Mrs. Gackenbach was born in 1822 and died in 1890. Their children follow: Francis, Henry, Oscar, George D., James, Hiram, Mary J. (1864-1879), and Ida, deceased.

George D. Gackenbach, of Allentown, was born in 1855. He is a cigar maker by trade but is the night watchman for H. Leh & Co., for some years. He married Ella Holland. Their children follow: Harry G. W., Harvey, Robert, Edgar, Eva, Mabel, and Hattie.

#### GANGEWERE FAMILY.

Jacob Gangewere emigrated from Germany to America on the ship "James Goodwill," which landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 27, 1727. The name has been variously spelled as Gangwehr, Gangwer, Gangawer, Gangewer, Gangaware, and Gongaware. The name of Jacob Gangwehr appears in the list of persons who qualified, thus evidencing that he was of the Reformed faith. He is said to have been a soldier before leaving Bavaria. After his arrival in Philadelphia he acquired title to a tract of several hundred acres of land situated in what was then Northampton county, now Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county. The original dwelling house was a log cabin, but later a stone house was erected, and this is still standing, a cut of which is herewith produced. The ancestor followed the occupation of farming. He was a man of unusual vitality, being fifty years of age when he arrived here in 1727, and died in 1779 at the age of one hundred and two years. The change in the form of the name is shown by the fact that he signed his name to a petition of the German immigrants in Bucks county in 1734 as Jacob Gangwer, and among the list of communicants at the Blue church in Upper Saucon in May, 1750, we find Jacob Gangewehr and son, Christopher. The name of his wife is not on record, and the names of his children may not be given in correct order, as dates of birth are not recorded. As nearly as may be ascertained they are Michael, of further

mention; Andreas (or Andrew), of further mention; Christopher, of further mention; Jacob; Matthaas, of further mention; John George; Henry, although it is not quite certain whether he was a son of this Jacob or another immigrant of a similar name, of further mention; and several other children.

Michael, son of Jacob Gangwehr, was born in 1730, and died Oct. 26, 1826. He removed to Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, where his descendants still live. He married Catharine, and had children: John and Philip.

Andreas or Andrew, son of Jacob Gangwehr, was born in Upper Saucon, Sept. 15, 1747, died July 10, 1844, and was buried in the cemetery at the corner of Tenth and Linden streets, Allentown. He was a tailor by trade. He served in the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and drew pension. In his letter of application for pension, dated February, 1833, he states that he resided with his children at Easton, Pennsylvania, for ten years prior to that date, and gives the following history of his services: In July, 1776, he enlisted in the "Flying Camp," under Captain Henry Hagenbuch, Colonel Käckline commanding, going to South Amboy, New Jersey, while the British were occupying Staten Island. After returning from a visit to New York City and Fort Washington, he met his company on its way to Long Island, and obtained permission to return home. From January, 1777, he served two months as first lieutenant in Captain Francis Roth's Company, Majors Balliet and Young having the commands, marched to Farmers' Mills, now "Pennypacker's Mills," twelve miles north of Philadelphia, thence to Washington's headquarters at Morristown, New Jersey. In May, 1777, he was sent by Commissary Brittan, with Jasper Weaver and Jacob Gangewer, to South Carolina, to buy a drove of cattle. In October, 1777, he marched as lieutenant with Captain Mority, under Colonel Siegfried, to Flourtown and Farmers' Mills, remaining there about two months. In 1778 he was ordered by Captain Geiger to collect a guard to convey a number of Tories to Reading for trial, after which he was sent by Quartermaster Destoly to Valley Forge with articles for the use of the army, and soon after, in 1778, he was ordered by Colonel Hooper to convey money from Reading to Easton. In the latter part of July, 1782, he was ordered out as lieutenant under Colonel John Jones, and Colonel Hebner, and marched in an expedition against the Indians beyond the Blue mountains in Northampton county, and was stationed at Brinkers, a place between the Delaware and Susquehanna rivers. He married Mary Montaigne, and had children: Solomon, of



further mention; Anthony; George; Abraham; Jacob.

Solomon, son of Andreas or Andrew and Mary (Montaigne) Gangewere, was born in 1779 and died in 1857. He was for many years engaged in the lumber and hotel business in Allentown, Pennsylvania. He married (first) Sarah, born in 1784, died in 1821, a daughter of Henry Gangewere; (second) Mary, a sister of his first wife. By the first marriage he had: Catharine, of further mention; Sarah, who married W. S. Young, and had a son, W. S. Young, Jr., now living in Chicago. By his second marriage he had: Charles, who never married; Matilda, who married Mifflin Hannum, and had a daughter, Mary C., who married Professor E. D. Shimer, of New York City.

Catharine, daughter of Solomon and Sarah (Gangewere) Gangewere, was born Aug. 30,

Oct. 28, 1838; N. Catherine, born Nov. 9, 1840; Harriet, born March 28, 1843. One of the Erdman daughters married the late Alfred J. Breining, of Allentown.

Anthony Gangewere, son of Andrew, was born in 1783 and died in 1871. He was recorder of deeds of Lehigh county from 1839 to 1845 and served in the War of 1812. Among his children were: Joseph; Maria, married John D. Lausterer; and George A., born 1819, died 1907.

George Gangewere, son of Jacob, the immigrant, was born July 20, 1756. He settled in Whitehall township, and on Jan. 13, 1776, enlisted in Capt. Thomas Craig's company of Col. St. Clair's Second Penna. Battalion, as a fifer. The company saw service in Canada and was mustered out Nov. 25, 1776. He subsequently served two enlistments in other companies. He died March 2, 1852, aged 95 years, and is buried at Egypt. He married Christina, daughter of Valentine Clader. She was born in 1750 and died Oct. 16, 1828. George Gangewere kept the tavern at what is now Meyersville and owned considerable land in that vicinity. He had eight children: William; Charles; Thomas; Catharine, married Peter Meyer; Nancy, married John Hoffman; Magdalena, married Abraham Hermany; Rebecca, married George Meyer; and Hannah, married John Meyer. Charles was born in 1787 and died in 1832. Thomas died in 1850, leaving a son, David.

William Gangewere, son of George, lived at Meyersville, in South Whitehall, where he was a farmer and hotel-keeper. He and his wife Elizabeth had children: James, born 1808; Anna; Magdalena; Maria; Horace; Abraham; and Charles.

Horace, born 1827, died Sept. 30, 1899, was a coachmaker and carpenter, but later removed to Allentown, where he conducted the Lafayette, Pennsylvania and Rising Sun hotels, and also a butcher shop. Charles removed to Mercer county; and James also settled in the West.

Abraham Gangewere, son of William, was born in South Whitehall, Sept. 25, 1828. He became a carpenter and as a young man removed to Allentown, where he was engaged in business as a contractor and builder until his death in 1893. He married Susan, daughter of Martin and Catharine (Rieb) Schwenk. She was born Aug. 30, 1830, and died Jan. 6, 1905. Their children were: William H.; and Josephine, married Jefferson Diehl.

WILLIAM H. GANGEWERE, son of Abraham and Susan (Schwenk) Gangewere, was born in Allentown, Oct. 10, 1858. He acquired his education in the public schools, supplemented by a course of instruction in Blackman's Business Col-



GANGEWERE HOMESTEAD IN UPPER SAUCON TOWNSHIP.

1805, and died Aug. 1, 1863. She married, May 22, 1832, Isare Erdman, and had children: William Jacob, born April 28, 1834, who married, and removed to Reading, where he lived many years. He had sons: Rev. William J. Erdman, D.D., a graduate of Hamilton College, New York, was located in succession at St. Paul, Minnesota; Jamestown, New York; Chicago, Illinois; Asheville, North Carolina; and is now located at Germantown, Pennsylvania. Two of his sons were graduated from Princeton University, New Jersey. Rev. Albert Erdman, D.D., has been the pastor of a Presbyterian church at Morristown, New Jersey, for more than a quarter of a century; Amelia Deborah, born June 2, 1836, married Rev. A. L. Marden, and has one son, William E., also in the ministry; Albert, born

lege, and at the age of sixteen years entered his father's employ and learned the trade of carpenter. Upon becoming of age, in 1879, he was admitted into partnership and the firm became Abraham Gangewere & Son. They did an extensive business in Allentown and vicinity, erecting dwellings, churches and business buildings. Among the principal buildings erected by them were the Y. M. C. A. building, Young building, American Steel and Wire Company buildings, Presbyterian church, and remodelling the German Catholic church and St. John's Lutheran church in 1888. Since the death of his father, Mr. Gangewere has conducted business under his own name. He built the Young and Ramsey residences and over twelve hundred other homes in the city, as well as many in the surrounding counties. His office is in the Allentown National Bank building. He has for many years been prominently identified with the affairs of the city, having been a councilman and a member of the water board. In politics, he is an active Republican, and stands high in the councils of the party. He is a director of the Allentown National Bank, a trustee of the Phœbe Deaconess Home, a member of Salem Reformed church, and a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Bloomsburg Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; I. O. O. F.; and B. P. O. E.

Mr. Gangewere married, in 1890, Mary Craig, daughter of William Craig. She was born in 1857 and died in 1912. Her mother died when she was but five years of age, after which she was reared by her grandfather, Jacob Geisinger. She was an active member of Zion Reformed church and possessed a kind disposition, which induced her to perform many acts of charity. They had one daughter, Irene, who resides with her father.

Christopher, son of Jacob Gangewere, is recorded as being a communicant member of the Blue church, Upper Saucon, in 1750. Sept. 23, 1778, there were appointed as administrators of his estate, Michael and Catherine Gangewere, he being mentioned as late of Salisbury township, this proving that he possessed property at the time of his death. He had children: Elizabeth, over fourteen, chose Michael Heller as her guardian; Sevilla, Daniel and David, being under fourteen years of age, had Philip Bahl appointed by the court as their guardian.

Daniel Gangewere, son of Christopher, was born in 1767 and died in 1856. He was a farmer in Hanover township, where he owned a 68-acre farm near the bend in the Lehigh river. His wife, Barbara, was born in 1773 and died in

1854. They had two sons: Joseph, born 1803, died 1828; and Paul; and eight daughters: Maria, married John Strassburger; Elizabeth, married Leonard Schweitzer; Mrs. Susanna Reinhard; Rebecca, married George Schaeffer; Barbara, married Solomon Bieber; Hannah, married William Saeger; Mary Barbara, married Charles Keck; and Catharine, married Joseph Clader.

Matthaus, son of Jacob Gangewere, was a wheelwright and carpenter by trade, and removed from Northampton county to Schuylkill county at an early date. Very little is known of him. Some of his descendants are located around Weatherly, Pennsylvania, among them being Samuel Gangewere, of that town, who is advanced in years.

Henry, in all probability a son of Jacob Gangewere, was born June 7, 1765, and died Nov. 2, 1849, and was buried in the burial ground adjoining the Friedensville church in Upper Saucon. He was a farmer on the old Gangewere homestead, which was divided during his lifetime, two of his sons, Solomon and John, each receiving a portion on which they built homes. Upon the part retained by Henry Gangewere and that of Solomon, iron ore beds were discovered, which were worked for many years by the Thomas Iron Company and the Bethlehem Iron Company. For the last ten years the Bingen Brick Company has been engaged in manufacturing brick from the dirt that had been washed from the ore. A part of the tract taken by John Gangewere has been cut up into building plots, and the village of Spring Valley (Saucona) has arisen. Numerous large and never-failing springs are located there. Henry Gangewere married Elizabeth Kale, born May 2, 1770, died May 27, 1826. Children: Jacob, of further mention; Tobias, born Aug. 16, 1794, died Jan. 11, 1848; Solomon, of further mention; John, of further mention; Philip, born Oct. 6, 1806, died March 18, 1881; David, born July 16, 1808, died Dec. 31, 1841; Samuel, born in 1810; Elizabeth, born Aug. 24, 1812, died March 11, 1839; Joseph; Catherine; Daniel.

Jacob, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Kale) Gangewere, was born Feb. 8, 1790, and died Feb. 5, 1860. He succeeded to the Gangewere homestead, was a prosperous farmer, and had a large income from the iron ore mine. After his death the property remained undivided for the benefits of the heirs until recent years. He married Barbara Mory and had children: Henry, who married Sonia Handwerk; John, married Elizabeth Gehris; Julia, married Stephen Oldt;



Kate, married Reuben Fenstermacher; Elizabeth, married John Harvey.

John, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Kale) Gangewere, was born May 30, 1804, and died Feb. 19, 1884. Practically his entire life was spent on the old homestead, as the new home which he erected on his portion of the original tract was only about five hundred yards from his childhood home, and divided from it by the Saucon creek. He was also a farmer. He married Elizabeth Jacoby, born Nov. 8, 1809, died March 31, 1898. Children: Charles, married Lucy Kendig, and died shortly after his marriage; James, a carpenter, died recently. He married Elemina Gross, also deceased, and had: William, unmarried; Mary, who married Wilson Dimmick. Henry, a carpenter, in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company many years. He married twice, and of his five children, the only one living at this time is Clara, who married, and lives at Richlandtown, Bucks county, Pennsylvania; Lyetta, married Reuben Wimmer, and has a number of children.

Solomon, son of Henry and Elizabeth (Kale) Gangewere, and twin of John, died upon his portion of the Gangewere homestead, Oct. 23, 1862. He was a member of the Reformed Church and was buried at Friedensville. He lived in the city of Allentown some years after his marriage, during this time building a home on that portion of the Gangewere homestead which had been allotted him, and later lived there. He married Sarah, a daughter of Captain Abraham Gangawer, of Allentown, and had children: Sybilla, married Aaron Young; Walter Francis, died in infancy; Tilghman Jones, never married; Cecelia Elizabeth, married Tilghman Eisenhart; Edwin G., of further mention; Moses William, married Harriet Reichard; Amelia, died in infancy; Emma Sarah, never married; Margaretta Christiana, married Sylvanus Beidelman; Augustus Solomon, married Ellen Warmkessel.

Edwin G., son of Solomon and Sarah (Gangewere) Gangewere, was born Jan. 3, 1835, and died June 11, 1892. In 1859 he purchased the old Weierbach farm about one mile south of Friedensville and spent the remainder of his life there. He was struck by a railway train while crossing the tracks about one mile from his home. He was a member of the Reformed church at Friedensville. He married, May 11, 1856, Marietta Kessler, who died April 12, 1912. Children: Eugene I., of further mention; Harvey S.; William H.; Morris A.

Eugene I. Gangawer, son of Edwin G. and Marietta (Kessler) Gangewere, was born Feb. 22, 1857, on his father's farm, and in that section attended the public schools. This education was

supplemented by attendance at the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, Pennsylvania, after which he engaged in teaching in Upper Saucon township, a profession he followed there for twenty-seven consecutive terms. In 1904 he removed to Nazareth, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where he has since that time held lucrative positions with several cement mills. He is a member of the Reformed church at Friedensville, and has always taken an active interest in church and Sunday school work. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, at Saucona, and of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, at Center Valley. He married, Nov. 29, 1879, Deidama Minerva Miller, and has children: Ivan W., and Robert E., of further mention; Stella W.

Ivan W., son of Eugene I. and Deidama Minerva (Miller) Gangewere, was born March 2, 1881. He was educated at the public schools of Upper Saucon township, and was graduated from the South Bethlehem Business College in 1899. He has been connected with the Guerber Engraving Company at West Bethlehem since its organization. When quite young he took a deep interest in Sunday school and church work, joining the Reformed church at Friedensville, transferring to the West Bethlehem church in 1913. He is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, at Saucona, and of the Knights of the Golden Eagle at Center Valley, in each of which he is a past master. He married, Sept. 17, 1903, Jennie Kramer, and has one child, Marion Stella.

Robert E., son of Eugene I. and Deidama Minerva (Miller) Gangewere, was born Nov. 19, 1883. Was educated in the public schools of Upper Saucon township, and was graduated from the South Bethlehem Business College, since which time he has held clerical positions with the following concerns: The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, at South Bethlehem; Guerber Engineering Company, at South Bethlehem; Penn Allen cement mill, near Bath; and has now been for the past seven years with the Fuller Engineering Company, of Allentown. He owns a home at Rittersville, where he has established himself in the poultry business. He is a member of the Reformed church at Friedensville, and of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Bethlehem. Mr. Gangewere married, in 1907, Annie Werley, and has a son, Floyd Victor.

Horace Gangewere, son of William, married Elizabeth, a daughter of William Hangan, and had children: Geo. W.; Peter W.; Harry McClellan; Edward, married Myra Stout, and has children: Edward and Arthur; Annie, married Albert Bogh, and has: Mamie, Fred, Harold and Helen; Clinton, deceased, who married (first)

Alice Heist, (second) Rosa Eichler, and (third) Theresa Sweitzer, and had: Charles and Lillian; and Charles.

George W., son of Horace and Elizabeth (Hangan) Gangewere, was born in Allentown, Lehigh county, July 24, 1857. At the age of sixteen years he was apprenticed to Deifer Brothers to learn the butcher's trade, and remained with this firm seven and one-half years. For a time he was then employed in Bethlehem, and in September, 1881, he associated himself in a partnership with his brother, Peter W., the firm name becoming Gangewere Brothers. They established themselves at the corner of Ninth and Walnut streets, Allentown, and they have conducted their business there uninterruptedly up to the present time, enjoying a large and well deserved patronage. They have a large number of people in their employ. Mr. Gangewere married, Sept. 17, 1882, Elizabeth B., a daughter of Paul and Mary (Hartman) Ballet, late of Allentown. They have had children: Mary Elizabeth, who died in infancy; Grace M.

Peter M., son of Horace and Elizabeth (Hangan) Gangewere, was born in Allentown, Feb. 17, 1859. After he had learned the trade at Deifer Brothers, he became associated with his brother, George W., as mentioned above, and in 1884, their younger brother, Harry M. was admitted to partnership, but later engaged in business for himself. The slaughter-house is located at No. 1372 Lawrence street. He and his family are members of the Christ Lutheran church. Mr. Gangewere married, April 14, 1888, Nora, a daughter of Christian and C. Schmidt, both natives of Germany. They have one child, Gertrude A., a graduate of the Allentown Female College in the class of 1908.

Harry McClellan, son of Horace and Elizabeth (Hangan) Gangewere, was born in Allentown, Sept. 10, 1862. He also learned the butcher's trade under the auspices of Deifer Brothers, and continued with them until he became the partner of his brothers in 1884. He remained thus associated until 1887, when he withdrew from the firm and purchased his present place of business at No. 534 Walnut street. He deals largely in cattle fattened for the market, and in dairy cows, and has as his associate, I. S. Roder, the firm name being Gangewere & Roder. Their headquarters are at Hosensack, Pennsylvania, and they handle hundreds of high grade dairy cattle annually. Mr. Gangewere is very public spirited, and has become a man of influence in the councils of the Democratic party. He has served as county treasurer from 1905 to 1908. He was one of the incorporators of the *Allentown Democrat* in 1909, and served as president of this corpora-

tion for one and a half years. He has been one of the directors of the Allentown Ice Company since 1913, and was its vice-president, but is now treasurer. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church and his fraternal affiliations are as follows: Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, Free and Accepted Masons, and has been steward of this lodge fifteen years; Knights of the Macca-bees; Knights of the Golden Eagle. Mr. Gangewere married, in 1885, Susan, a daughter of William and Caroline (Dorward) Maxwell, of Laury's Station, Pennsylvania, and have had children: Dorothy May; Harry M., who is an assistant to his father in business, is married to Clara E. Grow; Holmes Stanley, clerk in the Merchants National Bank since July, 1911, is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 623, F. & A. M.; Dallas Samuel; Margaret, who died at the age of two years; Caroline Elizabeth.

Charles Gangewere married and had children: Jeremiah S. and Anaman J., of further mention.

Jeremiah S., son of Charles Gangewere, was born at Center Valley, in June, 1845. At a suitable age he learned the trade of tinsmithing, and has followed this ever since, having been in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company for a period of fifteen years. He and his family are members of the Friedensville church, in which he is a deacon and elder. Fraternally he is a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, both of Center Valley. He married Araminta Border, and they have children: Harry G., of further mention; Claude J.; Ida A., married Stephen Smith; Lillie, married Frank Hartzell.

Harry G., son of Jeremiah S. and Araminta (Border) Gangewere, was born in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Dec. 4, 1869. He was educated in the public schools of South Easton, then learned the tinsmith's trade, which he followed twelve years in Easton as an employee of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. He held the position of inspector for this company for a period of two years at Jersey City, New Jersey. In 1898 he removed to Egypt, Pennsylvania, where he engaged in business for himself, making a specialty of corrugated work, his contracts covering all parts of the United States and Canada. He also does all the work for the Lehigh Portland, the Penn Allen, and Whitehall cement companies. He is a member of the Egypt Reformed church, has served as deacon and trustee, and was chairman of the building committee when the present church building was in course of construction. Fraternally he is a member of the Free and Accepted Order of Masons, Improved Order of Red Men, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Royal Arcanum. He has always been a strong



Republican and served Whitehall township one term as a commissioner. Mr. Gangewere married, in 1891, Emma M., a daughter of Jacob and Ellen (Weber) Scheck, and they have had children: Ellen A.; Clifford J.; Janet R.; Rodney W., deceased; Ray O.; J. Harry.

Anaman J., son of Charles Gangewere, was born in Center Valley, Lehigh county, in 1855. Upon the completion of his education, which was obtained in the public schools, he learned the trade of tinsmithing under the supervision of his father, in whose employ he remained for a number of years. He then accepted a position with a cornice company of Philadelphia, then found a position in the machine shop of the Bethlehem Steel Company, in which he remained until his retirement from an active business life in 1894. He has always given his political support to the Democratic party, and served as supervisor of Springfield township, Bucks county, for a period of four years. His religious affiliations are with the Lutheran Church and he has served in the church councils. He married Jane, a daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Henn) Kilpatrick, of Center Valley, and they have: Victor J., of further mention.

Dr. Victor J. Gangewere, son of Anaman J. and Jane (Kilpatrick) Gangewere, was born in Center Valley, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, April 13, 1880. His preparatory education was acquired in the public schools and the Millersville State Normal School, from which he was graduated. He then taught school for two terms in Springfield, Bucks county, after which he became a student at the Perkiomen Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1903. Matriculating at the Medico Chirurgical College, at Philadelphia, he was graduated from this institution in the class of 1907. He was then engaged for a time in the performance of special work in the Medico dispensary, after which he purchased the practice of Dr. R. B. Klotz, at Rittersville, in August, 1907. He is devoted to his profession, and the ability he has displayed has gained him a large and lucrative practice. He has always been greatly interested in the cause of education, and in 1909 was prevailed upon to accept the Democratic nomination for school director, and was re-elected as a director of Hanover township in 1911; he has served as president of the Board of Education since 1909. Dr. Gangewere married, Nov. 28, 1909, Cora E., daughter of Josiah and Amelia (Frey) Weierbach, of Pleasant Valley, and have children: Chester W.; Woodrow Wilson, born July 1, 1912, the first child in the United States named after the present President. Mrs. Gangewere was graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, and taught school

three terms. They live in their fine residence, which they erected in 1912, opposite Central Park.

Horace Gangewere, son of William, was born in North Whitehall, and spent his early days on the farm. He then learned the trade of a carpenter, and subsequently engaged in business as a butcher on North Seventh street, between Linden and Turner, in Allentown. He later became proprietor of the Lafayette Hotel, after which he kept the Rising Sun Hotel at Tenth and Hamilton streets. In later years he kept a candy and fruit store on Union street, near Eighth. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and a Democrat in politics. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Hangan, of Sigmund. He died in 1901.

CHARLES CONSTANTINE GANGEWERE, son of Horace, was born in Allentown, Jan. 20, 1874. He was educated in the public schools and Allentown Business College, after which he worked for a time in Kleunter & Yeager's furniture factory. He then entered the butchering business with his brother Harry, for three years, after which he was a butcher and meat cutter for Thomas Bradley, of Philadelphia, for four years. He then returned to Allentown and was three years in the sausage business. In 1909 he became a salesman for Schwartzschild & Sultzberger, with whom he still remains, the firm name now being Sultzberger & Sons Co. Mr. Gangewere is a member of Lecha Wonk Tribe, No. 201, I. O. Red Men, Liberty Fire Company, Lehigh Democratic Club, and is a Democrat in politics. He married Rose Eichler, daughter of Augustus and Mary Eichler, and they reside at 535 Union street, Allentown.

#### GEARY (GERY) FAMILY.

The Gery (Geary) family of Eastern Pennsylvania, claims as its progenitor, Jacob Gery, who was born May 9, 1721, and died Feb. 23, 1808. He came to this country from Switzerland landing in Philadelphia, Sept. 3, 1739. He was a "Redemptioner" and to pay for his passage across the ocean he served a number of years with Valentine Griesemere, of Hereford township, Berks county. In later years like his Biblical namesake, he married his master's daughter, Gertrude Griesemere, who was born May 15, 1728 and died February, 1802. Jacob Gery purchased 600 acres of land located partly in Montgomery and partly in Berks county. The original parchment deeds bearing dates 1725, 1748, and 1762 together with Jacob Gery's passport are in the possession of Jesse B. Gery, of Allentown. Mr. Gery sold a part of his tract and clearing and upon the remainder erected the nec-

essary buildings and cultivated a large part of the tract.

The original dwelling was used until 1803 when the house now standing on the tract was erected. The old dwelling served as a school house for a number of years. Jacob Gery understood the art of making tile and erected a hut and kilns for manufacturing the same. On this account the place was known as "Gery's Tile Hut" or "Zuegel Huette." To Jacob Gery and wife the following children were born: Jacob, John Adam, John, Peter, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Anna, Maria, and Catharine.

Jacob Gery, son of Jacob and Gertrude was born Feb. 11, 1754, in Montgomery county, and died Sept. 28, 1828. By occupation he was a farmer, owning a large farm. He was married the first time to Elizabeth Lauer, with whom he had four children: 1. Jacob. 2. Peter. 3. Sarah. and 4. John. His second wife, Anna Treichler, 1763-1792, bore him one child, that died in infancy. He was married a third time to Elizabeth Treichler, 1768-1851, a sister of Anna. With her he had children as follows; 5. Elizabeth. 6. Michael. 7. Joseph. 8. David. 9. Maria or (Polly), and 10. Julia.

1. Jacob, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Lauer) Gery was born in 1782; married Elizabeth Gregory and died in 1828, leaving two sons and two daughters. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

2. Peter, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Lauer) Gery, was born in 1783, married Elizabeth Hallman, and died in 1868, leaving five sons and three daughters.

3. Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Lauer) Gery, was born in 1785, and died in 1853; was married to Peter Marsteller, leaving two daughters.

4. John, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Lauer) Gery, was born in 1787, and died in 1873. He was married to Catharine Graber, with whom he had four sons and eight daughters.

6. Michael, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Treichler) Gery, was born Feb. 22, 1795, died Aug. 17, 1870, buried at Huffs Church. He lived in Hereford township, Berks county, where he had a tract of land which he cultivated at the same time he conducted a store and hotel. In 1852 he was elected county commissioner of Berks county. He was one of the organizers of the Goshenhoppen Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He was twice married, first to Sally Nuss, born March 7, 1795, died July 25, 1844, they had a family of twelve children: Daniel, Ephraim, David (1820-1884), Charles N., Polly, Elizabeth, Judith, Sarah, Franklin, Carolina, Matilda and Michael. By his second wife,

Elizabeth (Moll) he had two sons, Milton M. and Jacob M.

7. Joseph T., son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Treichler) Gery, was born on the old homestead, Jan. 22, 1801, married in 1827 to Anna, a daughter of Frederick Hillegas, of Upper Hanover. She was born Jan. 27, 1809, and died Dec. 16, 1878. Mr. Gery died March 11, 1879. They had five children: Lydia A., Jesse H., born July 20, 1831, rendered his country gallant services in the rebellion after which he and his unmarried sister resided with their aged father until the latter's death. General Gery was one of the most honored and respected citizens of the community in which he resided; Mary A. died in infancy; Thomas H., mentioned later; Joseph H., born June 10, 1839, married Elizabeth Baughman. They lived in the West and had four daughters: Kate, Anna May, Mary, and Louisa.

Thomas H. Gery was born May 21, 1837, on the old homestead near Palm. He followed farming. He died March, 1907, and is buried at the Pennsburg Reformed Church. He was married to Mary, a daughter of Thomas Burkholder. She died in 1895. They had the following children: Edwin, Alfred, Jacob, Ida, Alice, William, Mary, Washington, Jesse B., and Daisy.

JESSE B. GERY, proprietor of the Berwin Auto Company, Allentown, Pa., was born near Palm, Montgomery county, December 5, 1876. He was educated in the Public schools of his district, the Perkiomen Seminary, Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, from which institution he graduated in 1893, and he attended Muhlenberg College two years and graduated from Ursinus College in 1897. In that year he entered the employ of G. C. Aschbach, music dealer, Allentown, and continued in his employ seven years.

In 1905, he organized the Berwin Auto Company of Allentown, of which he is the enterprising proprietor. In the same year he erected the present fire proof structure at 128-130-132 North Eighth Street, which is four stories high, 50 x 120 feet. He employs sixteen men and is one of the successful automobile dealers in the county. He has many valuable books and documents bearing on the genealogy of his family. He is a member of Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. & A. M.; Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. E.; the Clover Club; and St. Leger Club, all of Allentown. In 1905 he was married to Nellie Kramer, daughter of Harry and Emma J. (Bowlby) Kramer, of Allentown. They have one son, Thomas K.

8. David, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Treichler) Gery, was born in 1804. He was married to Maria Mollhower. They are the





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parents of these children: William, Jacob, Nathaniel, Elizabeth, Edwin, Emma, and David.

9. Maria (or Polly), daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Treichler) Gery was born in 1806. She was married to Peter Hillegass. They had one son and two daughters.

10. Judith (or Julia), daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Treichler) Gery, was born in 1813. She was married to John Berger. She was married the second time to Michael Hersh.

Michael Gery, another branch of this family, also lived in Hereford township. He is buried at the Goshenhoppen Church. His wife was Anna Maria Nuss. They had these children: Joseph, Samuel, Jonathan, John, Henry, Julia, and Maria.

Henry Gery was born Aug. 19, 1833, in Hereford township, Berks county. He was the owner of an eighty-five acre farm. He died in 1865. He was married to Susanna Kreitz. She died Dec. 5, 1882. Issue: Charles, Nathan S., Edwin W., of Lansdale, Matilda, married to George Weidner, of Emaus, Maria, married Stephen Weidner, Elizabeth, married William M. Molk; Susanna, Sophie, and Rieden J., died small.

Nathan S. Gery, of Allentown, Pa., was born Oct. 8, 1851. He learned the carpenter trade with Nathan Gery of Zionsville. He followed the trade in Macungie to which place he came in 1872. Here he married Elenora Bastian, a daughter of Daniel Bastion, of Half Way House. They had children as follows: Adeline S.; Elizabeth; William H.; Flora M.; Ellen M.; Nathan; Hermon D.; and Edwin S. Mrs. Gery died Jan. 16, 1890. Mr. Gery was married the second time on Sept. 17, 1892 to Sarah Handwerk, born April 29, 1866, died June 3, 1895. The result of this union was two children: Mabel L. and Fred P. Mr. Gery was married the third time to Susan E. Frey, a daughter of Martin C. and Hannah (Rauch) Frey. Her maternal grandparents were Michael and Sallie A. (Kostenbader) Rauch. Issue: John, Edwin, Susanna, Sallie, Maggie, Emma, Amenda, and Martin C. In 1892 Mr. Gery moved to Allentown and is employed in a planning mill. Socially he belongs to the I. O. O. F., P. O. S. of A., and Knights of the Mystic Chain. Mr. and Mrs. Gery are members of St. Andrew's Reformed church.

Charles Geary, son of Henry, born April 13, 1838, lived for some years in Philadelphia, where he conducted a hotel. Later he lived in Reading and still later in Allentown, where he died. He was married to Lovina Willauer, a daughter of Jesse Willauer. She resides at 1015 Chestnut Street. Issue: Rosa, married to Jerome Lentz;

Henry A.; Orlando, of New York, and Hattie, married to Theodore Bleam.

HENRY A. GEARY, coal and ice dealer of Allentown, was born April 25, 1866, in Pennsylvania, Pa. He came to Allentown when quite young and has resided there ever since. He worked in the Allentown Rolling Mills for nine years and for six years he worked at cabinet making. He worked for Butz and Reiff in the coal yards, later he became a member of the firm of James F. Butz & Co., the largest coal dealers of the valley. They also deal in ice and building supplies. They have their office at the corner of Gordon and Jordan Streets. They run four double and one single team and employ twelve men. Mr. Geary is a Republican and for many years he has been active in the party's welfare. He is a member of the K. of F. since 1885, having filled all the offices in the order. He is also a member of P. O. S. of A., and the Senior American Mechanics. He is a member of the Columbia Fire Company and the Pioneer Fire Company, of which he was one of the organizers; Nest of Owls No. 72; the Lehigh Consultory, No. 4, O. K. of F.; and the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Geary is a member of Ebenezer Evangelical Church. He was married in 1886 to Emma J. Butz a daughter of Willoughby and Sarah (Nagel) Butz. To Mr. and Mrs. Geary the following children have been born: Warren W. C. who is a jeweler at South Bethlehem, and Ruth G. The family resides at 937 Tilghman Street, Allentown, Pa.

#### ALFRED R. GEARY.

Alfred R. Geary, chief engineer of the Buehler Furniture Company, at Allentown, was born March 19, 1866, in Hereford township, Berks county. He attended the public schools and worked on a farm until he became eleven years old, after which he was employed about the iron ore mines for four years, and as engineer at the Bittenbender mines for eight years. In 1893 he removed to Allentown and after working there for a time for the L. V. Traction Company, he went to the Atlas Cement Works, at Northampton, and continued there until 1897; then he entered the employ of the Buehler Furniture Company, at Allentown, as an engineer in the factory, where he has since remained, now filling the position of chief engineer. He is a member of the American Order of Steam Engineers, and of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church, of which he has been treasurer and class-leader. In politics he is a Democrat.

He married Emma, daughter of Jeremiah and Sallie (De Long) Reitenauer, and they have nine children: Frank; Wayne, superintendent of the

American Dye Works, at Pottstown; Perry, a machinist; Jeremiah; Irene M., wife of Asher H. Silfies; Mabel, wife of Floyd T. Schick; Beulah, wife of Raymond H. Rutman. Two children died in infancy.

Michael Geary, his father, is a retired farmer of Hereford township, residing near Siesholtzville, nearly 80 years of age. He married Sallie, daughter of Christian Reeser, and they had nine children: Alfred R.; Emma, wife of Charles Roeder; John; Horace; Ella, wife of John Conrad; James; Howard; and two died in infancy. He has been a Democrat in politics and filled the office of supervisor of roads for twenty years. His grandfather was also named Michael, and conducted a hotel at Harlem, in Hereford township, Berks county, for many years.

#### GEHMAN FAMILY.

We know that two centuries ago Gehman families lived in the Palatinate on the Rhine, and that even now citizens of that name live in Germany and Switzerland. The first Gehmans who came to America were Christian, Benedict, and a brother. They landed at Philadelphia Aug. 11, 1732, coming to this country to obtain civil and religious liberty. They were Mennonites.

Christopher Gehman settled in Hereford township, Berks county, before 1737, and owned 300 acres of land, which tract has since been divided into three farms, all owned by descendants. In 1759 Christopher Gehman paid a federal tax of ten pounds in Hereford township.

It seems that the Gehman who located in Brecknock township (now in Berks county), was Christian Gehman. His name appears in the tax list of 1759. The same abbreviation ("Christ") was often used for Christian and Christopher; hence there has been some difficulty in determining their identity. The name Gehman, is variously spelled: Geman, Geeman, Geyman, and Gayman.

Christopher ("Christ") Gehman of Hereford township had three sons and several daughters.

Abraham Gehman, the oldest son of Christopher Gehman, owned a farm near Telford, Bucks county, occupied later by Rev. Abel Horning.

Rev. Johannes Gehman, second son of Christopher, was a Mennonite preacher. In 1767 he bought a tract of land in Hereford from Andrew Maurer. This tract later included the farms of Jacob Greiss, John B. Gehman, Jacob Gehman, and eighty-six acres of Joel M. Gehman's farm. Rev. Johannes Gehman married Anna Stauffer of Colebrookdale township. She died young. Both are buried in the Old Menno-

nite Cemetery, at Zionsville, Lehigh county. Their children were: David, who for many years was a merchant of Hosensack; Lydia, m. to Samuel Weinberger; Elizabeth, m. to Jacob Stauffer; Heinrich; and Johannes.

Heinrich Gehman, son of Rev. Johannes Gehman, was born in Hereford township. He was a farmer, owning an eighty-six acre tract on which his father had built a large barn in 1824. Near the present farm-house still stands a very old, small home. Heinrich Gehman married Elizabeth Bechtel. They were Mennonites and are buried in the Upper Milford cemetery of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ. Their children were Lydia, m. to Isaac Oberholtzer; John B.; Susan, m. first to Joseph Kriebel, then to Rev. Lewis Taylor; Elizabeth, m. to Rev. Joseph L. Romig; Bevy, who died small; and Catharine, m. to Abraham Musselman.

John B. Gehman, son of Heinrich, was born on his father's farm, Dec. 18, 1829, and died July 4, 1901. He was a farmer all his life except six years, during which he and his cousin, Solomon Gehman, conducted Kriebel's Mill in Hereford. He married Mary Oberholtzer in 1861. Their children are: Alvin O., a hardware merchant at Coopersburg; Charles J., a plumber of Allentown; Henry A., a carpenter, living in Allentown, m. to Rosa Wendling; Anna, who died in her second year John O., of Pennsburg; Katie, m. to Francis Hoffman, of Reading; and Franklin B., a farmer, living on the old homestead with his aged mother. The father (John B. Gehman) is buried in the Upper Milford Cemetery of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ. About 1870, shortly after he became the owner of the old homestead, valuable iron ore was discovered on the farm, and the Gehman mines, with the adjoining Bittenbender mines, near Seisholtzville, were famous for twenty years. Thousands and thousands of tons of good ore were mined, making the owners rich while they slept. For some time the ore of both mines was shipped to Red Lion on an elevated ropeway with trolleys, the filled suspended buckets going down the line on one side and the empty buckets coming up the other. This way of shipping was however, not a perfect success. It was discontinued and a railroad built, the terminus being near John B. Gehman's home, the stopping place being called Gehman's. After the mining ceased the railroad was not used much and was finally abandoned.

The most prominent of the Gehmans in Lehigh county is Rev. William Gehman, living near Vera Cruz. He is the founder of the church of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ (see history of this church). He is very old but still very



well preserved for his age. His wife, Nancy, *nee* Musselman, died many years ago. They lived almost their whole life time on the farm where Rev. Gehman is still occupying one of the homes. They had a large family: Menno, who was killed a few years ago on a railroad crossing near Emaus; Amanda, wife of Rev. George Lambert, of Elkhart, Ind.; Henry, of Allentown, a local preacher; Sarah, deceased, who was married to Aaron Hassler; Mary, m. to David Taylor; Francis, a farmer; Hannah, m. to Horace Heist; Allen, a farmer; and William, a preacher and presiding elder in the church of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Another very prominent Gehman is William M. Gehman, who for many years has been a feed, coal, and farm-implement dealer at Centerville, near Macungie. He has been one of the leading lay-members in the old Mennonite church for many years, and also the president of the Gehman family reunion since its organization. The only son, William, Jr., is a banker, in Philadelphia; one daughter is married to Rev. Wagner; another daughter, Elizabeth, was married to Rev. George Walbert, deceased; the youngest daughter is married to a native of Germany, Prof. Augstein, where they have resided for years. She has sung on many of the stages of Europe. The mother of these children was a music teacher and Mrs. Walbert and her daughter pursue this work. A few years ago both Mr. and Mrs. Wm. M. Gehman visited their daughter in Germany, and met native Gehman families, both in Germany and Switzerland. Other members of this well-known Lehigh county family have taken trips abroad.

#### GEHRINGER FAMILY.

Nicholas Gehringer, the pioneer of this family was born in Alsace, June 29, 1729, and was a son of Jost and Abolonia Gehringer, of French descent. They were Huguenots. Nicholas Gehringer came to this country in 1750, and was sold to Michael Fisher of Berks county as a redemptioner. He afterwards worked for Mr. Fisher for wages. On May 18th, 1781, he bought the farm called "Partnership," containing 186 acres, from Michael Fisher, who had obtained it by virtue of a warrant dated Dec. 6, 1753. Nicholas Gehringer married Maria Schuarm, and had eight children, viz: Peter, Elizabeth, John, Andrew, Sebastian, William, Maria and Regina. Nicholas Gehringer and family were Lutherans. His sons, Peter, John, Andreas, and William, are buried at Grimville, and they have tombstones to mark their graves. On April 14, 1794, Nicholas Gehringer, sold his property to his sons, Peter and John.

Peter Gehringer, whose name on his tombstone is spelled *Geringer*, was born April 27, 1765, was a farmer in Weisenburg. He married Eva Catharine Batts, who was born in 1771, and died in 1849, in her 78th year. He died April 8, 1844, aged 79 years, 11 months, and 11 days. They had three children, namely, John, Elizabeth married Henry Kramlich, and Catharine, married Charles Long.

Nicholas Gehringer's daughter, Elizabeth, married a Wagner.

John Gehringer (son of Nicholas) was born Dec. 16, 1771. He married Maria Herring, who was born in 1772, and died in 1842. They had no issue. John Gehringer and his brother, Peter had the homestead as well as another farm in partnership. John died Feb. 17, 1847, in his 77th year.

Andrew Gehringer and his brother Sebastian settled across the line into Berks county. There they were married and died. Andrew was born Aug. 4, 1772, and departed this life Dec. 12, 1838, in his 66th year. He married Elizabeth Lautz, and their children were: John, Augustus, Paul, Jacob, Polly, and Elizabeth, who was married to John Shipe. They moved to Sunbury, Northumberland county, Pa. Sebastian Gehringer lived in Greenwich township, Berks county, near Roth's school house, there he owned the farm later owned by Chester Derr. His wife was a Bennighoff. Their children were: Jonas, Lydia, married Henry Yeager, and Rachel, married to George Laudenstein.

William Gehringer, who was locally known as "Willum," an abbreviated form of Wilhelm, the German of William, was born Oct. 12, 1784, and died Jan. 22, 1864, in his 80th year. He was a farmer in Weisenburg and their homestead is now owned by Joseph Gehringer. His wife was Elizabeth Snyder. She was born April 10, 1793, and died June 22, 1875, in her 83rd year. Their children were: Jonas, John, Joseph, William, Henry, Joel, Daniel, Maria, married Jonas Herber, Elizabeth, married to Gideon Schneck, and Juliana, married to Aaron Moyer.

Joseph Gehringer was a retired farmer, at Seiberlingsville, where he died early in 1912 of old age and heart failure. The deceased had spent all his life at Seiberlingsville, where he resided on the farm which he had bought from his father. He was a faithful member of the Grimsville Lutheran Church. His wife preceded him in death about thirteen years ago. He is survived by six children: Chester, of 231 North West street, Allentown; Edwin, wholesale confectioner, at Ruppssville; Granville, at home; Milton E., manager of the Prudential Insurance office at Emaus; two daughters, Mrs. William Werley, of Zieg-

el Church, and Mrs. Edwin Kuhns, of 1144 Turner street, Allentown.

Henry Gehringer, a retired farmer, widely known, died on Friday, April 25, 1913, at his home in Weisenburg township, of heart failure, aged eighty-one years, eight months and twenty days. He is survived by his wife, a son, Henry A., of Weisenburg township, and a daughter, Mary, at home.

Daniel Gehringer was a farmer and distiller of Weisenburg, and died in 1899, aged 72 years. He was married to Flora Anna Peter, daughter of Jacob and Maria (Riedy) Peter, of Lowhill, and they had four children: Amanda, John P., and two died young. His wife died in 1871, aged 34 years.

JOHN P. GEHRINGER, farmer of Weisenburg, was born on the homestead, July 28, 1868, where he was educated and brought up to farming. He assisted his father until his father died in 1899, when he became the owner of the farm of 120 acres by devise, and he has since been successfully engaged in farming operations. He is a member of the Independent Order of Americans, Pioneer Camp at New Smithville, and he has served as a school director for four terms, filling the position of treasurer.

In 1890 Mr. Gehringer was married to Ellen Kline, daughter of Peter, of Greenwich township, in Berks county, and they have one child, Mary (who is married to Andrew Wisser and they have a son Marvin). They are members of the church at Grimsville, in Berks county.

John Gehringer (son of Peter) was born July 30, 1797, and died upon his farm in Weisenburg, Oct. 2, 1881, aged 84 years, 2 months and two days. He was married to Sarah Greenawald, born in 1796 and died in 1867. They are buried in the graveyard adjoining the Grimsville church. Their children were: Daniel, Jonas and Sarah, who married Jacob Hartman.

Augustus Gehringer (son of Andrew) lived in the Stony Run, in Berks county; there he had a farm and he was a stone mason by trade. He was a tall and strong man of industrious habits. He died May 17, 1902, aged 78 years, 11 months and 13 days. He married Elizabeth Gildner, who died Feb. 4, 1905, aged 78 years, 2 months and 9 days. They are buried in the cemetery at Grimville. Their children are: Reuben, deceased; Susan, married John M. Frey; Amanda; Maria, married George Ruff; Sarah, married Daniel P. Bittner; Stephen (1862-1910) and Katie, of Allentown.

Jacob Gehringer, son of Andrew, was born in 1816 and died at the age of sixty-three years. His wife, Polly Hantz, died three years after him, while living along the Shochary in Lynn. They

were buried at the Ziegels Church, of which they were Lutheran members. He was a stone-mason and for a number of years lived at Stein's corner, later at Seiberlingsville, and from there he moved to Haafsville, where he died. He and his brother, Augustus, were exceptional stone-masons. They helped to build the Lehigh county jail, also a number of churches and other buildings. Jacob Gehringer was also a stone-cutter and he dressed the stones for a large part of the front wall of the jail in Allentown. His children were: Amelia, married Nathan Weaver; Sarah, married Charles Moyer, deceased; and Daniel.

Jonas Gehringer, son of William, was a farmer near Seiberlingsville, and the farm upon which he lived was about 70 acres, besides he had two other small farms. He and family were Lutheran members of the church at Seiberlingsville, where they are also buried.

His wife was ——— Fenstermacher, and they had these children: Daniel, Jonas, William, James, Sarah (m. Charles Danner), and Charles, of Wisconsin.

Daniel A. Gehringer, son of Jonas, was born in Weisenburg township, and for thirty-five years followed the blacksmith trade at New Smithville. His wife, Mary Saul, was a daughter of Monroe Saul, of Mertztown. They had the following children: William J., and Minnie C., the wife of Prof. C. E. Behler, a teacher, at Passaic, N. J.

WILLIAM J. GEHRINGER, grain and lumber merchant at Siegersville, Pa., was born in Upper Macungie, November 12, 1875. He attended the public schools in Weisenburg township, where his parents moved when he was a mere child. At the age of twenty years he became a clerk in the general store at New Smithville for Peter Christman, being employed there for two and one-half years. In March, 1898, he came to Siegersville, and was employed as clerk in the store of A. V. Diefenderfer for three years, then became a partner with W. B. Newhard under the name of W. B. Newhard & Co., dealers in grain, feed, flour, coal, lumber, cement, sand and fertilizer. The firm continued until May 1, 1912, at which time Mr. Gehringer purchased the interests of his partner. He employs several men and enjoys an increasing trade. Politically a Democrat, Mr. Gehringer served North Whitehall as a member of the school board and was also one of the auditors of the township. He was a deacon of the Jordan Lutheran congregation. He was married in 1900 to Jennie A. Sieger, daughter of George and Amanda (Merkel) Sieger, of Siegersville. They have these children: Mary A., Elizabeth G., and Helen P., twins.

Daniel Gehringer, was born in Greenwich,







*Jos. F. Gehrminger*



June 21, 1844. At the age of sixteen years he learned the saddler trade in Weisenburg, and this he followed six years. The following sixteen years he was employed in the ore-mines in Upper Macungie township, working all this time for Jacob Lichtenwalner. In 1885 he moved to Allentown, where he lives at 423 Liberty Street. He is a laborer.

In 1865 he married Louisa Braucher, a daughter of Stephen and Justina (Krause) Braucher, of Albany. They have these children: Thomas E., Irene, married Clinton Furl, Edwin, Llewellyn, deceased; Achilles; George; Mary A. L., deceased; Frank; and Chadwell P.

THOMAS E. GEHRINGER, of the firm of Gehring Brothers, Allentown, was born in Albany township, May 20, 1866. At the age of eleven years he came to Lehigh county and hired to one F. S. Lichtenwalner, after which he worked in the ore-mines for five years. When he was eighteen years old he went to Reading and there worked upon a truck farm which now has been cut up into building lots and is a part of that city. Later he learned the carpenter trade and this he followed about twelve years, mostly in Allentown.

In January, 1897, he and his brother, Edwin, engaged in the restaurant and saloon business at No. 533 Hamilton Street, and they have continued there to this time. This place of business is known as the "Gehring Bros. Lokal."

Mr. Gehringer, for a number of years has been connected with the Allentown Band. He plays the slide trombone. Earlier he was a member of the Pioneer Band; also of several orchestras.

He is a member of these Masonic bodies: Past Master, Barger Lodge No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter, R. A. M., No. 203; Allen Commandery, K. T. No. 20; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Pa.

He was married in 1898 to Sallie Wolle, daughter of Isaac and Caroline (Sell) Wolle, of Allentown.

EDWIN GEHRINGER, the other member of the firm of Gehring Brothers, Allentown, was born at Stein's Corner, Pa., Feb. 20, 1869. He was employed upon the farm for about five years and in the ore beds in Upper Macungie for two years. After his parents had moved to Allentown in 1885, he learned the ribbon weaving trade, which he followed with the Adalaide silk-mill for twelve years; then he and his brother, Thomas E., engaged in their present business. They also have extensive real estate holdings in and about Allentown. Mr. Edwin Gehringer helped to promote South Allentown, Fullerton, and the West End.

He is a member of Barger Lodge No. 333, F.

& A. M., Allen Chapter, R. A. M., No. 203, and Allen Commandery, K. T. No. 20.

In 1893 he was married to Cora A. Huff, daughter of Irwin Huff, of Allentown. They have an only daughter, Beatrice, who is accomplished in music.

Alois Gehringer, Sr., a son of John George Gehringer, was born in Absgund, in Wurtemberg, Germany, on Aug. 16, 1841. He attended the parochial schools for eight years, then worked at a forge hammer in a government iron works at Vassaralffingen until 1872, when he emigrated to the United States. He located at Allentown and there he has since resided.

From 1872 to 1879 he was employed as a puddler in rolling mills, then he became the proprietor of the hotel at 6th and Union streets, and he conducted the business until 1884, when he purchased the hotel property at No. 612 Linden street, and this stand he has carried on in a successful manner until now, a continuous period of thirty years.

In 1866 he was married to Crescentia Reck, and they had seven children: Mary, Joseph F., Alois, Jr., Frances, Charles (deceased), Waldburga (m. William J. Hauke), and George. His wife was a daughter of Joseph Reck, and was born at Guntzburg, Bayern, June 11, 1841, and died at Allentown, Pa., on June 18, 1908.

JOSEPH F. GEHRINGER, vice-president and manager of the Daeufer Brewing Co., at Allentown, is a native of Vassaralffingen, Oberamt Aalen, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany and was born Oct. 18, 1868. He emigrated to the United States with his parents in March, 1872, and they located at Allentown. He attended the parochial and public schools and the Allentown Business College, and then learned the trade of upholsterer, which he followed as a journeyman for two years at Philadelphia and for one more year at Chicago. In 1889 he returned to Allentown and embarked in the furniture and upholstering business for five years—two years with Theo. J. Notter and three years with Wm. Berkemeyer, the last place of business having been at No. 819-21 Hamilton street. Mr. Gehringer then converted the premises into a cafe and he carried it on under the name of the Windsor Cafe for twelve years in a successful manner. He then lived in retirement for four years, until 1911, when he became the manager of the Daeufer Brewing Co., and he was also the vice-president of the corporation and has since filled these positions.

Mr. Gehringer is a director of the Citizen's Deposit and Trust Co., and of the Mechanics' Building and Loan Association; is a member of

the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, B. P. O. E., Sængerbund and Goodwill Fire Co. In politics he is a Democrat and he served as a representative from the 4th ward in the Common Council for eight years.

In 1891 Mr. Gehringer was married to Mary T. Hoke, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Reichenbach) Hoke, natives of Baden, Germany. They have the following children: Annie M., Florence H. and Helen M.

Alois Gehringer, Jr., proprietor of the hotel at 5th and Gordon streets, was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, on Feb. 2, 1870, and when two years old, his parents emigrated to America. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown until he became fourteen years of age, then he learned the trade of printer and worked as a journeyman printer in the German newspaper offices at Allentown until 1894, and for one year at Wilkes-Barre. On April 1, 1895 he became the proprietor of the hotel at 5th and Gordon streets and this he has since conducted. He is a member of the Foresters of America, and the Keystone Athletic Association.

In 1895 he was married to Josephine W. Roder, a daughter of John and Margaret (Hoffman) Roder, and they had six children: Margaret, Alfred P. (deceased), Marie M., Paul and Frances (twins, the former being deceased), and Josephine (also deceased). He and the family are members of the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

John George Gehringer, the grandfather of Frank, Joseph and Alois Gehringer, Sr., of Allentown, was a native of Absgund, Wurtemberg, Germany, and there he died and is buried. He was married and had the following children: George, Josephine, Frank J., Alois Sr., and Lucinda. Frank J. and Alois Sr., came to the United States, both settling at Allentown. The history of Alois and his descendants appears elsewhere in this volume.

Frank Joseph Gehringer was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, Feb. 18, 1839, emigrated to America in 1871, on the ship "Herman," after being on the ocean for sixty days. He immediately proceeded to Allentown, Pennsylvania, after his landing at New York City. In his native country he had worked in the rolling mill, and upon coming to Allentown he accepted employment in the Allentown Rolling Mill, where he worked continuously until 1893, when he engaged in the hotel business in the Sixth ward. After conducting different hotels in Allentown, he retired in 1902. He was twice married (first) to Francisca Herbitier, a native of Austria. She died young, survived by one son,

Frank, besides her husband. Frank Gehringer was born Jan. 8, 1863, and is in the service of the government Indian school in Nevada. He married (second) in 1867, to Helen Eck, born May 19, 1844, in Wurtemberg. They have the following living children: Louis, born Dec. 27, 1868; John, born Feb. 27, 1874; William A., born April 13, 1878; August L., born May 28, 1880; Edward, born Dec. 27, 1884.

Twelve children were born to the second union, three of whom died before the family emigrated to America, and four died and are buried at Allentown. The four brothers Lewis, William A., August L. and Edward, are connected in the above named dye works, while John, is a machinist employed in the Allentown Spinning Company.

WILLIAM A. GEHRINGER, the president of the Jordan Silk Dyeing Company, was born April 12, 1878. At the age of thirteen years he went to work for the Allentown Spinning Company. Afterward for six years he was employed at the Schneek furniture factory, Allentown. In 1902, he bought his father's interest in the hotel located at Front and Liberty streets, Allentown, and he conducted it until 1907, but during a part of this time he had already been interested in several dyeing establishments. The Laurel Hill Dye Works he sold to the Lehigh Dyeing Company. In the fall of 1913 he established his present enterprise, known as the Jordan Silk Dyeing Company, located on Sumner avenue and Jordan street. He erected two buildings, one of which is one-story high, 120x40 feet, while the other is two-story building, 40x20 feet in dimensions. He employs sixty-five people, and has a strictly local trade. The officers of the company follow: William A. Gehringer, president; Edwin F. Gehringer, secretary and treasurer; and August L. Gehringer, vice-president.

William A. Gehringer is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and the Lehigh Saengerbund. He was married in 1902 to Pauline Oberdoester and their union is blessed with these children: Pauline, Robert, Joseph, and Leona.

#### GEIGER FAMILY.

Andreas Geiger, a son of Joseph A. Geiger, was born in Wittenberg, in 1799, and died February 12, 1854. He was married to Maria Weaver, who was born in 1803, and died in 1884. They were the parents of the following children: Barbara, Mary, Theresa, Josephine, Marguerite, Moritz, Joseph and John. The parents never came to America, but all the children emigrated, of whom only three are now living, Josephine, Moritz and John.

John Geiger, of West Catasauqua, was born in Wittenberg, Germany, June 22, 1842. He



came to America Nov. 9, 1863, and a few days later came to Catasauqua, where he has since lived, excepting from 1864 to 1868, when he lived in Crawford county. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. In 1865 he was married to Otilia Conely, who died in November, 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Geiger had three children, of whom two died in infancy and Theodore J. survives. Mr. Geiger married the second time Anna Wooddock, and had 12 children: John; Oliver, deceased; Peter; Sylvester; Annie; Lizzie; Otilia, deceased; Marguerite; Mary; Josephine; Henrietta; Barbara and Carrie.

Theodore J. Geiger, son of John and Otilia (Conely) Geiger, proprietor of the Eagle brewery Hotel, Catasauqua, was born in that borough, July 25, 1866. He learned the tinsmith trade with Hersh Bros., Allentown, and followed it for 14 years. In 1897 he took charge of the business in which he is now engaged. He is a member of the St. Nicholas Beneficial Society and the Fullerton Beneficial Society. In 1892 he married Mary Englert, daughter of Ludwig and Pauline (Schreck) Englert. They are the parents of five sons: Leo, Leonard, Stephen, Eugene, and Theodore, Jr.

PETER GEIGER, son of John and Anna (Wooddock) Geiger, proprietor of the American Hotel, Catasauqua, was born in Meadville, Pa., October 23, 1876. In 1880 his parents moved to Catasauqua, where he attended the public schools. He learned the tinsmith trade with Hersh Bros., Allentown, and worked at this trade 10 years. In 1903 he became the proprietor of the Cottage Inn, West Catasauqua, which he conducted four years. In December, 1906, he purchased the American Hotel, located at Front and Race streets, Catasauqua, which he conducted until 1912. He is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Politically he is a Democrat. He is a member of the Loyal Order of Moose. He was married, May 12, 1896, to Mary M. Schell, daughter of John and Emma (Heeb) Schell, of Bally, Pa. Issue: Vincent J., born March 23, 1897; died September 3, 1909; Marguerite M., born August 13, 1901, and Anna F., born January 6, 1904.

#### GEISSINGER FAMILY.

Philip Geissinger, a native of the Palatinate, Germany, where he was born June 22, 1701, immigrated to America about 1725 and settled in Bucks county. In 1731 he was naturalized by act of assembly. He settled on a tract of 372 acres near the "Blue Church," in Upper Saucon township, which he purchased from William Allen. In 1761 he deeded land to the Lutheran

congregation, whose land adjoined his tract. He died July 31, 1791, and is buried at the old Mennonite church near Centre Valley, of which congregation he was an active member. His wife, Mary, was born in 1711 and died March 29, 1779. They had eleven children: Philip, Jacob, Henry, Daniel, John, Samuel, David, Abraham, Anna, Elizabeth and Barbara.

Of Philip Geissinger's daughters, Anna married Christian Baer and had ten children; Elizabeth, born October 23, 1746, died May 6, 1813, married Rudolph Kauffman, and had seven children, and Barbara married Isaac Bauer and had seven children. One of the eight sons of Philip, named David, died in infancy.

Philip Geissinger, Jr., his eldest son, was born March 14, 1732, and died August 21, 1808. In 1785 he was the owner of 230 acres and was a farmer and distiller. He had no children.

Jacob, the second son, was born in Upper Saucon, September 19, 1733, and died February 29, 1816. He was a weaver by occupation. His wife, Mollie, was born January 28, 1729, and died September 1, 1785. They were married in April, 1760, and had five children.

Henry, the third son, was born in 1737 and died in 1817. He was a farmer and in 1785 owned 200 acres of land. He and his wife Barbara, had seven children: Jacob, who died before his father; Samuel; Abraham; Joseph; Henry; Mary, wife of David Bachman, and Susanna, wife of Jacob Stauffer.

Jacob Geissinger, son of Henry, (?) moved to Canada in 1800, where he died in 1805. His widow, whom he married October 5, 1785, was born August 19, 1767, and after his death removed to Ohio, in 1817, to Wadsworth, Medina county, residing with her daughter, the widow of John Long, where she died, July 9, 1867, aged 99 years, 10 months and 20 days. She had eight children, of whom five were present at her funeral, the eldest 81 and the youngest 68 years of age.

John Geissinger, fourth son of Philip, Sr., was twice married. His first wife, Anna, had ten children, and his second wife, Anna, one child. As early as 1772 he had a grist-mill in Upper Saucon and farmed a 279-acre tract of land.

Daniel Geissinger, another son of Philip, Sr., and his wife Elizabeth, had eight children. Samuel, sixth son of Philip, and his wife, Anna, had four children.

During the Revolution, as the religious principles of the Mennonites forbade their bearing arms, the personal property of Henry, John and Abraham Geissinger, sons of Philip, Sr., was confiscated and sold and their families suffered many hardships as will appear in the petitions presented

to the assembly published in the history of the Revolution.

Abraham Geissinger, youngest son of Philip, Sr., was a farmer in Upper Saucon, where he owned 200 acres of land. He died in 1825 and left his homestead of 120 acres to his son Henry. Abraham and his wife, Mary Barbara, had six children: Mary, wife of Henry Meyer; Philip, Jacob, Abraham, Anna and Henry.

Henry Geissinger, son of Abraham, had three children, Ephraim, who received the homestead; Mary, wife of David Stover, and Elizabeth, wife of Israel Walter.

Jacob Geissinger, son of Abraham, had three sons: Rev. John, Jacob and Abraham.

Abraham, son of Abraham, had four sons: Samuel, David and Jacob, of Centre Valley, and Abraham, of Loucust Valley.

Philip Geissinger, son of Abraham, was born in Upper Saucon, May 14, 1774. He was a farmer, weaver and distiller, and about 1805 removed to Upper Milford township. The log building built by him in 1825 for his weaving looms still stands on the farm of his grandson, Henry B. Geissinger. He married Veronica Hiestand, daughter of Abraham Hiestand, born June 9, 1748, died January 3, 1832, and his wife, Anna, born November 7, 1758, died February 1, 1839. She was born March 4, 1786, and died April 14 1864. Philip Geissinger settled on the Hiestand tract and died February 2, 1836. He and his wife are buried in the Mennonite cemetery, near Zionsville. His widow afterwards married Henry Meyer. He had only two children: Abraham and Mary.

Abraham Geissinger was born in January, 1807. He married Anna Bechtel, daughter of Abraham and Rosina Bechtel, of near Bally, Berks county.

HENRY BECHTEL GEISSINGER, son of Abraham and Anna Geissinger, was born in Upper Milford, March 25, 1842. He attended schools in the vicinity taught by the late W. B. K. Johnson and Chas. F. Schantz, and has all his life resided on his farm of 118 acres which he received from his father, and upon which he was born. The house on the farm was built in 1851 and the log building in the rear was built by his grandfather in 1825. The portion built first was the spring house, with the weaving shop overhead, and later an addition was made in which the distillery was located. This land was first warranted on October 3, 1740, by Frederick Notes, when 104¾ acres were surveyed. Henry Schleifer obtained possession of the land, November 16, 1745, as well as an adjoining tract of 112 acres on June 11, 1745. Schleifer secured a patent for the land on June 28, 1765, and on March 2, 1796, sold

the two tracts, containing 217 acres to Abraham Hiestand.

Henry B. Geissinger married Dec. 23, 1871, Mary Ann Shelly, daughter of Levi and Barbara (Shelly) Shelly, of Steinsburg. They have seven children: Abraham, a grocer on N. 61st street, Philadelphia, who married Minnie Young and has one son, Armond; Emma, a nurse, who lives at home; Henry, of Allentown, who married Irene Showalter; Daniel, of Upper Milford; Mary, wife of William Hiestand, a farmer of near Sigmund, who has seven children; William, who attends school in Hereford township and Monroe, telegraph operator at East Macungie, who married Annie Stichter and has a son Harold. A daughter of Henry B., named Lizzie, the youngest child, died at the age of twelve years.

Mr. Geissinger is a member of the Mennonite church of Upper Milford, and is treasurer of the Sunday school. He is a Republican in politics, and stands high in the estimation of the citizens of the township.

JOHN B. GEISSINGER, of Upper Milford, son of Abraham, was born in that township Jan. 18, 1848. He attended the township schools and a high school at Wadsworth, Medina county, Ohio. For two years and a half he was employed in a mill at Perkiomenville, after which he travelled for three months in the west, and in 1875 settled on the fine farm of 115 acres on which he still resides. He married in 1874, Rebecca, daughter of John Gehman and his wife Lydia Moyer, of Hereford township, Berks county. They have five children living: Abraham, a farmer of Hosensack, who married Katie Stauffer and had two children; Anna, at home; John, night watchman at the Edison laboratories, at Orange, N. J., and Alfred and Clarence, at home. Mr. Geissinger is a member of the Mennonite church near Zionsville, and is treasurer of the congregation and one of the trustees. He is a Republican in politics. He holds a one-half interest in the general store at Zionsville and is a man of influence in the community.

Menno Geissinger, son of Abraham, was born in Upper Milford April 20, 1852. He attended the township schools and after farming for a time learned the printer's trade, at which he was employed in Milford Square and Quakertown. Later he became the proprietor of the store at New Zionsville, and for two terms was postmaster there, having been appointed as a Republican by Presidents Harrison and Roosevelt. He was instrumental in securing rural mail delivery for the community and was also one of the organizers of the Emaus bank. He resides on a farm near Zionsville.



Mr. Geissinger married in 1887, Emma, daughter of David Siesholtz, and his wife Sarah Yeakel, of Hereford township. She died July 20, 1904. They had eleven children: Katie, a nurse in a Washington, D. C., hospital; Frederick, carrier on Rural Free Delivery Route No. 2; Francis, employed as a distributor of the milk of 150 cows on a dairy farm at Somerville, N. J.; James, foreman of a farm at Plainville, Mass.; Nancy, at home; Frank, employed on a farm at Fogelsville; Harvey, on a farm in the vicinity; Howard, at home; Mary, in school at Philadelphia; Sarah, who lives with Abraham Geissinger at Hosensack, and Lucy, at home.

Mr. Geissinger married the second time in 1910, Mrs. Mary Fair, of Philadelphia, daughter of Simon Gibbons, of York county. She has two children from a former marriage with Samuel Decker, of York county, Lucy Decker, of Texas, and Charles Decker, of York, yardmaster for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. Her second husband, Robert Fair, was an artist in oils, and a native of England.

Jacob Geisinger was born at Centre Valley, and buried at the Mennonite meeting house, between Centre Valley and Coopersburg. He was a miller, and owned and operated the Geisinger mill, at Centre Valley. His wife was Mary Funk. They had seven children: Clayton; Newton, deceased; James; Lycurgus A.; Edwin J. (died January 8, 1912); Jacob, and Emma, married to Rev. J. H. Ritter, of 830 Union street.

Lycurgus A. Geisinger, merchant, of Allentown, was born in Salisbury township, February 20, 1855. He received a common school education and learned the milling trade from his father, which he followed for 18 years. He moved to Iowa, where he resided for 9 years, then to Montana, 2 years; at which places he engaged in the milling trade. In 1898 he engaged in the grocery business at 937 Hamilton street, remaining there 9 years. In 1907 he located at the corner of Tenth and Hamilton streets. He is a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran church and Sunday school, where he serves as an official of the Sunday school, treasurer of the church, and member of the orchestra. He is also a member of the Centre Valley band.

In 1876 he married Josephine Hiller, who was born in Illinois, and raised in Iowa. They have one child, Pearl M.

Edwin J. Geisinger was born July 14, 1858, and died January 8, 1912. Mr. Geisinger was a man of active spirit, and was a member of the firm of Geisinger Bros. In his earlier years he was employed as a miller in the Geisinger mill at Centre Valley. He also lived in the west for

some years. He was a member of St. Michael's Lutheran church, and of St. Matthew's Sunday school orchestra. He married Lizzie Eisenhard, who lives at 958 Jackson street, Allentown. They had three children: Edwin D., who died in infancy; Joseph M., a graduate of the Pierce School, and who took a two years' special course in chemistry at Muhlenberg College, and

WARREN J. GEISSINGER, who is a graduate of Allentown high school, class of 1909, and of the Pierce School, Philadelphia, class of 1910. He worked for the West Jersey and Seashore R. R., from July 11, 1910, to March 1, 1912, and then took his father's place in the store of Geisinger Brothers.

Daniel Geisinger, farmer, of Lower Saucon township, is buried at Springfield Mennonite church. He had 164 acres of land, which is now divided into two farms. The one farm, on which are the old buildings, is owned by George Nicholson, and the other by his grandson, Jacob M. Geisinger. He was married to a Miss Ott, and had three children: Noah O.; Elizabeth, married Jacob Schleifer, and Catherine, married Abraham G. Moyer.

Noah O. Geisinger was born on the homestead of the family, March 14, 1843, and died January 16, 1907. He is buried at Springfield Mennonite church. He was a life long farmer and was active in church work. His wife was Anna Y. Moyer, daughter of Abraham Moyer, and is still living. Their children were: Daniel; Sallie, died in infancy; Mary, married John Weikel; Jacob M.; Katie, married Daniel Yoder; Abraham M.; John M., and Isaac M.

Jacob M. Geisinger was born October 25, 1874. He occupies the homestead and occasionally follows butchering during the winter. He and family are members of the Springfield Mennonite church. He married Elsie Reiss, daughter of Frank W. Reiss. Their children are: Charles B., born June 15, 1902, and died February 24, 1911; Annie Netta and Margaret.

ISAAC M. GEISINGER was born October 2, 1882. He learned the butcher trade when a young man, and in April, 1906, engaged in that business, at Richlandtown, Bucks Co., and continued until July, 1907, when he came to Allentown and began working for Arbogast and Bastian, and is employed there ever since. He and family are members of St. Michael's Lutheran church. He married April 21, 1906, Ella Keiser, daughter of Edwin Keiser. They have one son, Stanley.

Joseph Geisinger, a farmer, who lived between Center Valley and Coopersburg, married a Miss Bachman and had four children: Jacob; Molly,

married John Bowman; Elizabeth, married Michael Groman, and Rebecca, married Henry Bergenstock. After the death of his wife he removed to near Warsaw, Kosciusko county, Indiana, where he married again and had several children. At his death his large real estate holdings came into the possession of the children of the second marriage, and his death was not known by the children of his first marriage until after four years.

His eldest son, Jacob Geisinger, was a miller, and lived some years in Williams township. He died May 1, 1875, aged 76 years. He married Salome, daughter of George Schaffer, who died in 1879, aged 76 years. They had eight children: George, died young; Elizabeth, born May 22, 1825, is the widow of George Hoffman; Mary A., married Reuben Lynn; Matilda, married Isaac Gangawere; Catharine, married Edwin Reichard; Joseph, who died unmarried; Celia, married Samuel Roth; and Jacob H., who died young.

John Geisinger was born in 1794 in Hanover township, Montgomery county. He married Pauline Slotterer and had eight children: William; John; Philip; Jesse; Sophia; Elizabeth; Rebecca, and Sarah.

William Geisinger, son of John, was born in Hanover township, Dec. 30, 1816. He was a miller but later in life farmed a 70 acre tract at Nyantic, where he died in 1899 and was buried at the Reformed church, of which he was a member. He married Sarah, daughter of George Weller, and had eight children: Elias, of Zieglersville; Diana, married David Reinert; Loretta, married Levi Weller, of Bally; Henry, of Spring Mount; William W.; George, of Nyantic; Sarah, married Horace Latshaw, of Pottstown, and Adam, died young.

WILLIAM W. GEISINGER, a contractor and builder of Allentown, was born at Nyantic, March 14, 1860. He learned the carpenter trade at the age of nineteen and was employed at it as a journeyman near his home for some years and from 1889 to 1906 at Allentown, when he engaged in business as a contractor. He has employed as many as 35 men, and has erected the P. O. S. of A. hall, Owen Fatzinger and Oscar Stine residences at Catasauqua; the Eugene Long store and residence at Egypt; the Butz Bros. wholesale produce house, and J. K. Himmelwright residence, as well as other dwellings in Allentown. He is a member of the Reformed church and of Greenleaf Lodge No. 257, Knights of Pythias, and James Allen Council No. 835. I. O. A.

Mr. Geisinger married Rosa A., daughter of

James and Sophia (Ackerman) Steyer, and they had eleven children: Charles S., a letter carrier of Allentown; Elva, died, aged 18; Jennie, died in infancy; Eva, married Morris Backen-toe; William S., Jr.; Helen; Lottie; Edgar, died in 1908, aged 8 years; Erma, and Frederick T.

Jacob Geisinger, who was probably a nephew of Philip, Senior, was born about 1729. In 1764 he purchased the Jennings farm along the Lehigh for £1,500, which was in the possession of his descendants for nearly 150 years. A stone barn, built by Solomon Jennings, who died in 1757, with an addition built by Geisinger in 1791, is still standing. Jacob Geisinger died in 1815. He married a Miss Boehman, and had four children: Susanna, married a Mr. Hartman; George; Jacob, born Feb. 27, 1772, died July 20, 1858, who settled in Lower Saucon; Catharine, born Dec. 9, 1774, died March 6, 1845, married Anthony Boehm.

On the Geisinger farm were buried 10 or 12 Revolutionary soldiers, who were cared for there when the hospital at Bethlehem was overcrowded. Their graves were known until the flood of 1841. In 1789 George Sinclair, the head of a band of robbers, with a companion, attempted to rob Mr. Geisinger and was captured, with his son's help, and taken to jail at Easton. The flintlock musket he carried is still in the possession of descendants. Sinclair escaped from jail but was again captured and taken in chains to Philadelphia, by Sheriff Graff, where he was confined for ten years.

George Geisinger, son of Jacob, was born in 1758, and died in 1822. At the time of his death he owned 561 acres of land along the Lehigh. He married Christiana Hartman, who was born Aug. 17, 1767, and died Dec. 8, 1851. They had six children:

David, born in 1789, who died in the Juniata valley.

Maria Magdalena, born Oct. 9, 1794, died March 26, 1883, married in 1813, Jacob Deily.

Jacob; George, born 1800, died 1851; settled in Hanover township and married Mary Nonnemacher. Mrs. Owen Mack was a daughter.

Elizabeth, married (1) Dr. Stine, (2) Jacob Reichard.

Catharine, born Aug. 1, 1809, died April 22, 1900, aged 90 years. She married, in 1825, Solomon Ueberroth, and had children: Solomon; George; Tilghman; Thomas; William, and Matilda.

Jacob Geisinger, son of George, was born July 3, 1798, and died Feb. 9, 1890, on the homestead, which he farmed all his life, and which



amounted to over 700 acres at his death. He built, in 1832, a brick house on what was later called the upper farm, and in 1859 another a short distance below. He was a member of Zion Reformed church and was buried in Allentown cemetery. He married, in 1830, Clarissa Schwenk, who was born in 1803, and died in 1889. They had three daughters: Mrs. Robert Yost, who received the lower farm; Mrs. William Craig, who received a farm in South Allentown, and Eliza, wife of Wm. E. Horlacher, who received the upper farm. Mrs. Horlacher was born May 22, 1835, and died Aug. 14, 1901. She had one son, Harvey G., whose children are Mattie, wife of Prof. Myron J. Luch, of Lehigh University, and William.

SAMUEL P. GEMMEL.

Samuel P. Gemmel, councilman from the first ward of Catasauqua, was born at Easton, Pa., May 6, 1864. He is a son of the late John Gemmel of Catasauqua. The father of John, and grandfather of Samuel, died at sea, while on his way to America. His widow, Anna, *nee* Geiser, after landing, proceeded to Northampton county, where she gave birth to her son, John. She had a half-brother, Samuel Geiser, who also resided in Northampton county. His mother once paid him a visit from Germany. Anna Gemmel, the mother of John, died in Northampton county and lies buried at the Stone church.

John Gemmel was born in the month of August, 1836, in Northampton county. His early life was spent at Beersville as a merchant. Later he was the salesman for the Pollock Brush Co., of Easton. At the time of his death, which occurred May 5, 1901, he was agent for the Prudential Life Insurance Co., and resided with his son Samuel P. He was married to Ellen R. Keiser, a daughter of Dr. Peter H. Keiser. He was born Sept. 22, 1810, in Perry county and was married to Anna Guth. She was born in Lehigh county July 20, 1813. They had three children, Samuel P., John J., and Annie M., married to Robert Bachman. They reside at 100 Watson Ave., Orange, N. J.

John J. Gemmel, brother of Samuel, was twice married, the first time to Sarah Mack, of Easton. To them were born three children: Mary, the wife of Joseph Kleppinger; Ellen, deceased, and Franklin. He died at Ashley in 1909, leaving a widow and four children. The following year the widow also died. He was married a second time to the widow of Henry Flory, who by her first marriage had one son, Llewelyn, of Ashley, Pa.

Samuel P. Gemmel at the age of 16, learned

the trade of tinsmithing. He worked at Top-ton, Ashley and Reading. In 1885 he came to Catasauqua, where he has resided ever since. In 1891 he engaged in business for himself on Front street and in 1900 built his present place of business at 315 Second street, where he, in connection with his work, has also conducted a variety store. Mr. Gemmel takes an interest in municipal affairs, and in 1911 was elected councilman from the first ward. He is a member of No Surrender Council, No. 103, J. O. U. A. M., Royal Arcanum, No. 1110, of Catasauqua, and David Thomas Chamber, K. of P., No. 74. He is a member of Salem Reformed Church, where he since 1911 conducts the primary department. On the 16th of April, 1893, he was married to Edith I. Younger, a daughter of William and Isabella (Kurtz) Younger. This union is blessed with one child, Ellen Isabella.

DANIEL G. GERHART.

Peter, Abraham, Jacob, and Barbara Gerhart emigrated to America between 1730 and 1735, from Alsace, a province of Germany, bordering on the Rhine. They all settled in Franconia township, Montgomery county, Pa.

Peter Gerhart founded the German Reformed church on Indian creek, near what is now Telford, Montgomery county. He had a large family of children, one of whom was Isaac Gerhart, who married Miss Burger. He was born at the above named place and died there in his 56th year. He had a son, Peter B. Gerhart, born in 1799, in Franconia township, Montgomery county, and died at Philadelphia, March 4, 1845. He was educated in the common schools and taught school for several years, then became a miller, buying a mill at Hagersville, Bucks county, on New Haven creek. He married Rebecca Gabriel, daughter of Peter and Margaret (Wagner) Gabriel, natives of Hilltown township, Bucks county.

DANIEL G. GERHART, son of Peter B. and Rebecca (Gabriel) Gerhart, was born July 6, 1838, at East Rockhill, near Bristol, Pa. He was educated in the common schools of his neighborhood and at Philadelphia. He learned the trade of cigar-making with his uncle, Thomas Gabriel, at Norristown, Pa., remaining there two years. He then worked at his trade in Newark, N. J., and New York City. He removed to Allentown in 1787, taking a position as cigar packer with Ruhe & Company, and other concerns, and later became foreman for Weaver Brothers. In 1880 he engaged in business on his own account, with factory and store at Tenth and Hamilton streets, continuing there several years. He then was for ten years at Hamilton and Lumber streets, then

removed to his present location. He employs about 20 hands, and the output is upwards of 300,000 cigars per year.

At the breaking out of the Civil War, Mr. Gerhart enlisted on Aug. 30, 1861, in Co. B, 47th Regiment, Penna. Volunteers, as a private, from Allentown, to serve three years, or during the war. On Oct. 9, 1863, he was discharged from the service at Key West, Florida, by reason of re-enlistment as a veteran volunteer. He accordingly enlisted in January, 1864, to serve three additional years, or during the war, in the same company and regiment. On Oct. 16, 1865, he was promoted to corporal, and on Dec. 25, 1865, he was honorably discharged at Philadelphia, by reason of close of war.

Mr. Gerhart is president of the Regimental Association, composed of survivors of the regiment. Mr. Gerhart holds membership in the following organizations: E. B. Young Post, G. A. R.; Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F.; Union Veterans Legion; Allentown Lodge, No. 90, K. of P.; Lehigh Saengerbund; Beethoven Maenorchor of Bethlehem; Washington Republican Association, of South Bethlehem; Lehigh County Humane Society; and was confirmed a member of Zion's Reformed church. He has held the offices of school director and city councilman. In 1878 he was the Republican candidate for mayor, but was defeated by only a small majority.

Daniel G. Gerhart married Aug. 5, 1857, Elmina Haas, who died in 1908, daughter of John and Sarah Haas, of Allentown. Issue: Eugene and David, both died young; Ella J., the widow of Oliver S. Henninger, who lives in Allentown; and Edwin S., married May Roberts.

#### HARRY E. GERHARD.

Harry Edgar Gerhard was born June 30, 1880, at Macungie, where he was raised. He received his education in the public schools, Kutztown Normal School and Allentown Business College. He early decided to study medicine, but financial matters caused him to change his plans.

He held a position with the Hazleton Machine & Supply Company, for one year, and later with the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, and located at Mitchell, Indiana, for a few years, after which he entered the carriage business with his father at Macungie, and later at Allentown, where he had charge of the ware-rooms, and built up the business with his father until 1910. He then engaged in the hotel business at Stroudsburg, and later returned to Allentown, where he conducted the Allentown Horse Bazaar for a year. In 1912 he started prospecting in various parts of the surrounding counties for a stone quarry, fi-

nally locating at his present site, where he leased 60 acres of land from John Schmidt and erected the necessary machinery, office and fixtures. The plant is operated by electricity and gasoline engines, and employs from 30 to 35 men.

The business is known as the J. W. Gerhard Stone Quarries, of which he is superintendent and a large stockholder.

On July 4, 1900, he married Estella Dech, daughter of Reuben and Maria (Lichtenwalner) Dech. Dorothy, Grace and Jonas Alfred are their three children. Ruth, Katie A., and an infant died in infancy.

In politics, Mr. Gerhard is a Republican and a member of the Masonic Fraternity, 32°; Elks; Owls; Knights of Golden Eagle; Catasauqua Club, and Emaus Club.

His father, J. W. Gerhard, was the son of Hezekiah Gerhard, of Coopersburg, Pa.

#### GERMAN FAMILY.

Adam German, an immigrant ancestor, settled in Heidelberg township, and there one mile west of Saegersville, on the Berks & Lehigh Railroad, seven miles west of Slatington, thirty-five miles east of Reading, Pa., and three miles south of the Blue mountain, is situated the village of Germansville, which perpetuates the family name. The place was, previous to 1842, known as German's Mill. The mill had been erected by Adam German before the Revolutionary War. The original owner of the land on which Germansville is situated was Adam German, the pioneer. To him was granted on June 30, 1742, two hundred and fifty acres of land, and again on Nov. 16, 1784, warrants Nos. 106 and 107 for 14 acres and 101 acres respectively; and the third lot of land was taken out by warrants Nos. 177 and 178, on April 17, 1792, for 15 and 36 acres respectively. This made a total of 416 acres. He also bought other lands and had a total of about 700 acres. He was a Lutheran member of the Heidelberg church and there he and a number of later generations are buried. He had 7 sons and 4 daughters, as follows: Philip; Conrad; Abraham; Adam, Jr.; Henry; Jacob; John; Susanna, who married John Jacob Snyder; Eva, married Henry Peter; and Catharine, married Abraham Riedy.

The tax list of Heidelberg, in 1812, records the names of Conrad, Adam, Philip and Abraham German. The latter was born Oct. 6, 1789, and died March 29, 1831.

Philip German, -son of Adam, obtained the mill property at Germansville, and in 1814 added the dwelling part to the mill. He also built the present mill dam and race in the year 1809. Philip German died in 1819. His wife Eva bore



him these children: Adam, who was a miller by trade, died in 1840; Michael; Nathan; and Philip.

Conrad German, son of Adam, held the office of justice of the peace in Heidelberg until the year 1833, when he and his brother John moved to Adams township, Seneca county, Ohio.

Abraham, Adam, Jr., Henry and Jacob German, all sons of the pioneer, remained at Germansville or in the near-by locality, and there they died and are buried at the Heidelberg church.

Henry German, son of Adam, was born Feb. 9, 1793. He lived upon a large farm in what is now Washington township. He and family were Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church. He died June 4, 1836. His wife was Eva Neff and their children were: Henry, Jr.; Owen; Nathan; Mary, married Aaron Kern; Sabina, married David Snyder; Catharine, married a Peter; Flora, married Monroe Peter; Susanna, married (first) Jonas Buck, and (second) Charles Kern; and Harriet, married Silas Camp.

Jacob German, son of Adam, was a farmer in Heidelberg where he died May 1, 1879. He was a valuable citizen of his township and was a justice of the peace from 1857 to 1862. For a number of years he conducted a wool-carding mill situated on the Jordan creek, near Germansville, on the farm now owned by Henry Long. The old mill race is the only evidence of the once thriving industry at this place. He was married to Catharine Stemler. Their children were: Jonas; Enos; Reuben; Levi, Elizabeth, married Elias Bittner; Caroline, married William Mosser; and Sallie, married William Mohr. The four brothers owned adjoining farms in Heidelberg which were situated in a southwestern direction from Germansville.

Adam German, son of Philip, lived at Germansville, where he had much land and operated the mill. He was a Lutheran member of Heidelberg church, and there he is buried on the cemetery. His wife was Susanna Neff and they had these children: Adam; Daniel; Joseph; John, who left this section and was never heard from afterward; Susanna, married to a Lynn; Carolina, married Alfred Siegfried; Sallie, married Henry Fenstermacher; and Elizabeth, a maiden lady, died at Germansville in 1911 at an advanced age.

Adam German, son of Adam, was born March 31, 1811, and was a blacksmith in Heidelberg. He was known as the "Smith Adam German" to distinguish him from three other Adam Germans of the same locality. He was also a farmer, having a number of farms, and dealt largely in land.

He operated a gas plant at Tamaqua, Pa., for some years; a steam flour mill at Mahanoy City, and a distillery in Heidelberg. He was widely known as a man of sound judgment and excellent business ability. At Lehighton he owned a valuable hotel. During his lifetime he distributed among his children about \$60,000, and after his death, which occurred Nov. 8, 1881, his estate was appraised at \$90,000. During his lifetime he was the wealthiest man of his community. His wife, Elizabeth Snyder, was born Jan. 1, 1819, and died April 18, 1895. Their children were: John; Daniel; Harrison; Edwin; Nathan; Henry; Susanna, married Frank Remaly; Amanda, married Dennis Nothstein; Mary, married Henry Ravert; Louisa, married Milton Keener; and Sabina and Leanna, both deceased.

Daniel German, son of Adam, was born at Germansville, Jan. 24, 1819. He was a farmer and had the homestead at Germansville. He lived retired for some years at Wannamakers, Pa. His wife, Rebecca Werley, was born March 27, 1823, died March 9, 1861. She was a daughter of Sebastian and Lydia (Bittner) Werley. Daniel German died Feb. 20, 1907, at the age of 88 years and 27 days. They are buried on the Union cemetery, at Slatington. They had two sons and two daughters, to wit: Elias; Leanda, married Leon Peters and they have the German homestead; Rev. Jonas P., a Lutheran minister at Allentown; and Amelia, the wife of Frank Fetherolf, proprietor of the hotel at Wannamakers, Pa.

Joseph German, the third son of Adam, was born March 12, 1822, and was a farmer in Washington. He was a member of the building committee that erected Frieden's church, which he also served as an elder. He died May 29, 1894. Catharine Remaly, his wife, was born Feb. 12, 1826, and died March 2, 1895. Their children follow:

Polly, born April 22, 1844, died 1868; William, born Aug. 15, 1846; Lafayette, born Dec. 22, 1844, died 1868; Amanda J., born Aug. 25, 1858, died 1860; Joseph H., born July 24, 1860; James A., born Jan. 30, 1863; Emeline, born Jan. 30, 1865, died 1891; John F., born June 7, 1868.

Nathan German, son of Henry, was recorder of deeds of Lehigh county for two terms from 1848 to 1854. He was born in Washington township, Feb. 10, 1816. In 1842 he built the present store and hotel stand at Germansville and conducted the same until 1848 when he moved to Allentown. He was a very extensive owner of real estate in Allentown and throughout the county. In Allentown he owned the ground at Sixth and Chew streets, where the First Baptist

church is situated; also much ground on South Sixth street, including what is now the Lentz building at the corner of Sixth and Hamilton streets, and there he lived for some years; the west side of Fifth street from Walnut northward; the west side of Union street from Penn to Fourth and in a number of other sections of the city he had large holdings. In his time he was one of the most enterprising men of the county as well as one of the most popular citizens. He was generous and kind hearted to a fault. He was active in the erection of St. Paul's Lutheran church, of which he was a member. He was an Odd Fellow, and a member of the Democratic party, having been one of the party leaders for many years. He died Feb. 6, 1880, and was buried on his sixty-fifth birthday. He was married to Elizabeth Buck, a daughter of Jonas Buck. Their three children were: William E.; Mary A., married to P. H. Steltz; and Amanda, the wife of Prof. W. Grossman, of Allentown.

Jonas German, the oldest son of Jacob, was born 1823. He was reared upon the farm and had but little advantage to attend school and in large measure acquired the knowledge he possessed by self-education. He was an agriculturist in Heidelberg until the year 1868, then moved to New Tripoli and there engaged in the mercantile and hotel business. In 1893, purchased the grist-mill at that place and conducted the same for a number of years. He carried on a successful business at New Tripoli until his death, July 5, 1900. He was a useful and respected citizen; an honest, able and enterprising business man; and for many years was a director of the Allentown National Bank. In addition to the businesses aforesaid, Mr. German successfully conducted a 70-acre farm situated in Heidelberg.

He was married, in 1851, to Maria Harter, a daughter of Jacob Harter, of Heidelberg. She died in 1888. They were members of the Lutheran congregation of the Ebenezer church, at New Tripoli. Mr. German was a liberal supporter of the church and served it in various official capacities. In politics he was a Democrat. They had four children: Sophia, the wife of Frank P. Beck, who was postmaster of Lowhill for a number of years; Henry W., whose biography follows; and Louisa G., the estimable wife of Senator James A. Miller, who succeeded his father-in-law in the mercantile business at New Tripoli.

Reuben German, son of Jacob, for some years lived in Heidelberg, and later moved to Lynn. He was a carpenter, miller and farmer. His farm was situated near Germansville and is now owned by Lewis Fry. For a number of years he owned and operated the Diamond Roller

Mills, at New Tripoli, and there done an extensive business. He was an excellent mechanic and an able and successful business man. His wife was Leah Hausman, a daughter of Andrew Hausman. They had the following children: Wilson, who died small; Tilghman, Amandus, Willoughby, Osville R., and Albert A.

Enos German, son of Jacob, was born March 28, 1828, and died in Heidelberg, where he was a farmer, Aug. 17, 1898. His wife was Juliana Bachman. She was born in 1832 and died in 1896.

Elias German, son of Daniel, is the superintendent of the Union cemetery, at Slatington, Pa., where he resides since 1872. He was born at Germansville, June 20, 1844, working upon the homestead farm until he was seventeen years old, then was engaged as clerk in a store at Weatherly, Pa., for two years. On June 29, 1863, he enlisted in Co. G, 34th Regt., Pa. Militia, serving during the emergency period. After the war he accepted a clerkship in a store at East Mauch Chunk and later at Hickory Run, from which place he went to Slatington, where he purchased an interest in a store. In 1880, owing to ill health, he retired from the store business and purchased the Mahlon E. Thompson drug store on Lower Main street, Slatington, and conducted it for three years.

He is a Democrat and was elected a councilman in an overwhelmingly Republican district.

He was married, Dec. 1, 1867, to Maria L. Ross, daughter of David and Caroline Berke-meyer Ross. Mr. and Mrs. German are members of the Lutheran Church.

Edwin German, of Slatington, is the fourth son of Adam. He was born Sept. 21, 1849. He worked for his parents upon the farm until he was twenty-two years old. Later he was the proprietor of the Broadway House at Slatington for about five years, and the following fourteen years he was engaged in lumbering, employing as many as fifteen men. For four years he and his brother Daniel operated a slate quarry employing 45 men. Mr. German dealt in apples on a large scale for a number of years. He had as a partner for two years Eli German. They would buy apples in Lehigh and adjacent counties, and these they shipped to New York and other eastern cities. During a season he shipped as many as 25,000 barrels. He was the moving spirit in the reorganization of the rolling mill at Slatington in 1911, and is a large investor in the stock. He is a director and the president of the company. He is the wealthiest man in Upper Lehigh county, owning much railroad stock and successfully speculated in them upon the stock market. He married, May 28, 1877,



Carolina Kern, born Feb. 28, 1844. She is a daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Miller) Kern. They have one son, Oscar J., married to Abbie La Bar. He is the shipping clerk in the rolling mill at Slatington.

HENRY W. GERMAN, only son of Jonas, was born in Heidelberg, April 8, 1855. For a number of years he followed the agricultural pursuit in his native district and later assisted his father in the management of a large mercantile business and a hotel at New Tripoli. In 1900 he became the proprietor of the Diamond Roller Mills at New Tripoli, which he operated until his death, Feb. 3, 1904. He was aged 48 years, 9 months and 25 days.

In 1881, he was married to Lucinda S. Steiger, a daughter of Peter and Esther (Grim) Steiger, of Windsor township, in Berks county. The widow resides at New Tripoli in a residence which her husband erected in 1901. They have an only son, Stanley H.

ALBERT A. GERMAN, son of Reuben, of Slatington, is a watchmaker. He was born Nov. 9, 1865, and began working in his father's mill, where he was engaged until he moved to Slatington in 1893. He learned the watch-making trade from Henry A. German, of Heidelberg. His grandfather, Jacob German, was an old-time clock-maker, which is a family trade. He is also engaged in lumbering, and employs from eight to ten men. He is a member of Peter's Defiance Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., in Washington township; and for four years was a deacon in the Lutheran church at Slatington. In 1885, he married Mary Zellner, a daughter of Tilghman Zellner. Their children are: Jennie A., and Carrie E., both deceased.

William E. German, only son of Nathan, was born Jan. 7, 1836. He was an assistant to his father in the general store at Germansville until 1842 he learned the printing business with the Allentown *Democrat* under editor Mifflin Hanum. Ill health compelled him to discontinue his trade, and for many years he conducted a restaurant on South Sixth street. He was the assessor of the Second ward for three consecutive terms, and was an active Democrat. He was married to Annie E. Paules, a daughter of Henry and Henrietta (Shields) Paules. She died Sept. 21, 1909, aged sixty years, less two days. He died in October, 1905. Their children are: Edwin W., and Mary E., married to W. R. Crites.

EDWIN W. GERMAN, the register of wills of Lehigh county, was born in Allentown, June 18, 1875. He was educated in the Allentown high school and at the age of fifteen years became a clerk in the Allentown Gas Company's office and after serving there two years, he accepted a

position with the L. V. R. R. in their clerical department and was located at Perth Amboy, New Jersey. He was employed there for ten years. Malcolm W. Gross appointed him deputy register of wills and this office he served three years; then accepted the secretaryship of the water department. After one year he resigned this position to accept a position with the Novelty Hosiery Company, of Allentown, as foreman of the finishing and shipping department, and continued in that position until he entered upon his official duties as the register of wills. He was the committeeman of the Second ward for three years and is an influential Democrat, and is a member of the Lehigh Democratic Club, and the B. P. O. E., No. 130, at Allentown. On Oct. 15, 1903, he married Bertha M. Eckert, a daughter of George Eckert.

Lafayette German, of Slatedale, was born Dec. 22, 1849. For some years he clerked in his father's general store in Washington, and later he cultivated the homestead which was 80 acres. The town of Slatedale is now built upon this homestead farm, besides there are a number of slate quarries upon it. Our subject was engaged in the mercantile business at Slatedale for four years, and in 1893 he built his present home at Slatedale. He is a member of the Lutheran Church. He married, June 5, 1870, Caroline Hoffman. They have four children: Catharine, who died in infancy; Henry J., of Allentown; Ellen J., is the wife of Edgar Oswald, of Emerald, Pa.; and Gussie J., is the wife of Irwin Sensinger, of Allentown.

John F. German, of Slatedale, is a brother of Lafayette, and they are sons of Joseph, before-mentioned. He was born June 7, 1868. For a period of ten years he lived in the state of Kansas and there worked upon the farm. In 1891, he returned to Lehigh county and the following six years he worked in the slate quarry. In 1894, he began farming where he since lives. He has a small but valuable farm at the upper end of Slatedale. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and the I. O. O. F. In 1892, he married Olivia F. Dorward and their children are: Standa V., Lawrence J., Charles C., and Fred J.

Harrison German was born at Germansville in 1856. He was a well known hotel man, conducting at different times the Carbon Hotel, at Lehigh, Pa., and the Road House, at New-side, in Heidelberg. He was a charter member of the Odd Fellow lodge at Lehigh. He was married to Lydia, a daughter of Henry Bittner, of Weisenberg. Mr. German died in 1910. Their children were: Irwin; Clinton, who died small; Emma; Oliver H.; Charles, who died in 1910, aged 30 years; Robert; and Daisy.

Oliver H. German, proprietor of the Eagle hotel at Slatington, was born in Lynn, April 3, 1877. He became a clerk in the hotel and worked at Lehigh, Slatington and other places until in 1901, then became proprietor of the Indian Hotel and also the Broadway House, both at Slatington. Later he conducted the St. Elmo Hotel, at Weissport, Pa., and on April 1, 1910, he took charge of his present place at Slatington. He owned the Broadway House, at Slatington; also the St. Elmo Hotel, at Weissport.

He married Jennie Flyte in 1910. She is a daughter of James Flyte, of Berlinsville. They have a son, Guy.

#### GERNERD FAMILY.

The original spelling of this family name was Gernhardt, and from this form many others developed—Garnhardt, Gernhart, Garnhart, Gernardt, Garnett, Garnet, Gernet, Gerner and others.

Heinrich Gernhardt, the founder of the family in America, was probably born in the Palatinate, Germany, between 1740 and 1745, and died in the spring of 1820. He emigrated to America in 1765 and settled in the forest land of Northampton county, Pennsylvania, taking possession of a tract of land which he patented in 1790. In 1795 he sold his place in Lehigh township, and removed to Berks county, Pennsylvania, and finally he removed across the mountains to a new home on the West Branch of the Susquehanna. He obtained his deed for the one hundred and eighty-one and three-quarter acres, known as the Sinking Springs, in Turbot township, April 19, 1805, and in 1817 purchased an additional one hundred and sixty-two acres. He and his family belonged to the Lutheran Church.

Heinrich Gernhardt married, probably about 1769 or 1770, Rosina Fetterman, who died before her husband. Children: 1. Magdalena, born Feb. 6, 1771, died in Sparta, New York, May 8, 1834. She married, Feb. 11, 1794, Andrew Shafer, and had children: Henry and Elizabeth. 2. Jacob, born about 1773, died about 1813. Married (first) Anna Maria Kramer, (second) Mary Shetterly. By the first marriage he had: George, Jacob, Susan, John, Daniel and Clarissa; by the second: Lydia and Anna Maria. 3. Anna Elizabeth, born April 3, 1776, died, unmarried, July 8, 1854. 4. Philip, born March 1, 1779, died June 9, 1843. The name of his first wife is not on record, and he married (second) Mary Magdalena Bieber. He had Catherine by his first wife, and by his second: Rosena, Sarah, Andrew, David, Adam, Hannah and Maria. 5. John, of further mention. 6. Catherine, born Feb. 18, 1783, died

Sept. 3, 1840. She married, about 1805, Peter Fogleman, of Delaware township, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, and had: Mary, John, Elizabeth, Catherine and Peter. 7. Margaret, twin of Catherine, died June 12, 1836. She married, about 1806, John Litchard, of Sparta, New York, and had: William, David, John, George, Elizabeth, Mary, Catharine, Margaret, Henry and Benjamin. 8. Baltzer, born in August, 1785, died April 12, 1851, in Delaware township, Northumberland county, Pennsylvania. He married, about 1808, Anna C. Esbach, and had: Mary, John, Benjamin, Samuel and Daniel. 9. Anna Maria, born September 17, 1786, died April 8, 1862, at Pekin, New York. Married Charles Williams, and had: John, Rozanna, David and Charles. 10. Susanna, born Sept. 24, 1789, died Nov. 25, 1846, in Northumberland county. Married, about 1823, George Mottler, and had: Rubet, who died in childhood.

John, son of Heinrich and Rosine (Fetterman) Gernhardt, was born Oct. 21, 1780, and died in Upper Macungie, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, August 14, 1851. He changed the spelling of the name to Gernert. He was a chair maker by trade. His wife inherited the farm of her foster father, and he managed this so successfully that they later owned three fine farms. He married, August 20, 1805, Catharine Siegfried, adopted daughter of Heinrich Brobst, she was born Feb. 10, 1788, and died July 7, 1844. Children: 1. Hannah, born Nov. 1, 1806, died March 3, 1864. She married Benjamin Donmoyer, of Maxatawny, Berks county, and they settled on a farm in Union township, Lebanon county, Pennsylvania, in 1840. Children: Catharine, William, Anna Maria, Lewis, Benjamin Franklin, Isaac, Dusanna, Dudolph Wellington, Milton Taylor. 2. Catharine, born Feb. 8, 1808, died Nov. 12, 1881. Married, Feb. 27, 1827, Daniel Hinterleiter, of Maxatawny, Pennsylvania, and had: Jacob, Joshua, Maria E., Eliza, Fiana E., John G., Sarah A., William G., Daniel, Charles Alfred. 3. Jonas, of further mention. 4. Mary Ann, born July 25, 1811, died March 17, 1868. She married (first) 1834, Charles Gackenbach, (second), March 10, 1850, John Bortz. By first marriage: Maria A., Eliza A., Elvina, Charles W. By second marriage: Oscar M. 5. Nathan, born Jan. 1, 1813, died June 13, 1879. Married, Feb. 25, 1834, Salome Steininger, of Upper Macungie, and had: Anna Maria, James, Harrison Augustus, Sarah Eliza, George William, William Morris, Ellen Catharine, Hannah Martha, John, Milton Oscar. 6. David, born April 13, 1815, died Dec. 31, 1846. He married, 1835, Lydia Mohr, of Fogelsville, Pennsylvania, and had: Jeremiah M. M., who has written an



exhaustive history of the family. 7. Solomon, born Feb. 20, 1817, died April 22, 1887. Married, April 20, 1840, Annie M. Eisenhart, and had: Joseph H., Hiram, Susanna, Helen, Francis, Solomon Sylvester, George Albert, Elias, Milton J., Jeremiah. 8. Henry, born Nov. 6, 1818, died Nov. 1, 1860. Married, Feb. 18, 1841, Phœbe Eisenhart, and had: Matthias, Aaron, Anna Maria, John Henry, Caroline, Sarah Anna Catharine, George Alfred, Eliza. 9. William, born Jan. 30, 1821, married (first) June 16, 1844, Elizabeth Gross, (second), May 27, 1862, Saloma Gross. Eleven children by first marriage, one by second: Emena Catharine, Simon Franklin, Mary Ann, James William, Daniel Lewis, John Henry, Milton Jonas, Ann Elizabeth, Ellen Fianna, Sarah Jane, Charles Peter and Magdalena Almaretta. 10. John, born Nov. 7, 1822, died Dec. 2, 1900. Married, February 27, 1845, Hannah Straub, and had: Milton, Louisa, Amelia, Maria, Hannah, Albert Strauss, Morris. 11. Benjamin German, born July 30, 1825. Married (first), May 8, 1849, Caroline Gackenbach, (second), Feb. 21, 1863, Lucetta Sarah Eisenhart, and had by first marriage: Catharine Martha, Isabella Eleanor; by second: Selden Morris S., Addie Lora Manerva, Alvertie Carthagina. 12. Reuben, born April 17, 1827, died July 27, 1875. Married, July 3, 1849, Eliza Hinkle, and had: Revere, Emma C., Alice Amanda, Oliver H.

Jonas, son of John and Catharine Siegfried (Brobst) Gernert, was born Nov. 21, 1809, and died March 4, 1893. He resided in Upper Macungie, on a farm adjoining that on which he was born. He married, August 9, 1829, Lea Ziegler, who died Nov. 4, 1876. They had: 1. Jonathan, born May 25, 1830, died June 18, 1896. Married, Feb. 21, 1858, Lucy Lentz, and had: Frank, Mary Ida, Emma Caroline, Hannah Elmira, Harry C. 2. Sarah Anna Amanda, born July 17, 1832, died Dec. 23, —. She married, June 25, 1864, Jacob Gift, and had: Callie and Mary. 3. Anna Caroline, born Feb. 5, 1834, died, unmarried, Feb. 14, 1862. 4. Charles Alfred, of further mention. 5. Fianna Amanda, born Sept. 16, 1838. Married, Jan. 30, 1864, Joseph Holben, of Lyon Valley, Pennsylvania, and had: Albert Peter, Franklin Jonas, Milton Joseph. 6. Ellen Jane, born Nov. 17, 1840, married, Oct. 16, 1864, James M. Gift. 7. Catharine E. Josephine, born June 9, 1842; married, Oct. 26, 1867, Willoughby J. Bleiler, and had: Charles Jonas, Oscar W., Morris C. 8. Isaac Granville, born June 13, 1846; married, May 25, 1865, Hannah Louise Butz, and has: Annie Louisa, Mary Cecelia, George Milton, Ida Virginia, Sallie Ann Irene, Mabel Elmira, Jeremiah B., Ellen

Jane, Charles Alfred. 9. Cecelia, born Jan. 29, 1849, died August 18, 1852. 10. Maria, born Nov. 30, 1850, married, Sept. 12, 1876, John Fineaur, had ten children.

Charles Alfred, son of Jonas and Lea (Ziegler) Gernett, was born August 8, 1836, and changed the form of the family name to Gernerdt. He resided at Trexlertown, Pennsylvania, and his occupation was that of mining iron ore and farming. He married, April 8, 1858, Elemena Gackenbach, and had children: 1. Charles Wilson B., of further mention. 2. Harvey Americus, born Nov. 12, 1859. Married Annie M. Dieffenderfer. Has no children. 3. Christopher Peter, born Feb. 27, 1862, died in childhood. 4. Annie Leonora, born April 6, 1865. Married, June 14, 1888, Elmer Peter Werley, of Allentown, Pennsylvania, and has: Elmer Alden. 5. Joseph Alfred, born Oct. 12, 1866. 6. Jennie Atilla, born Dec. 12, 1869. Married, Oct. 22, 1896, Ernest Harry Baines. No children.

Charles Wilson B., son of Charles Alfred and Elemena (Gackenbach) Gernerdt, was born Sept. 5, 1858, and died April 24, 1913. From his early youth he engaged in mercantile pursuits and conducted stores at Trexlertown, Bethlehem and Allentown, Pennsylvania. He was the proprietor of the Allentown Duck Farm, which was known all over the country, and where he raised and sold from thirty to fifty thousand ducks per annum. It was located on Cedar creek, South Whitehall township, near Allentown, and it was the objective point of interest for many excursionists. He and his family were members of St. Michael's Lutheran church, of Allentown. He married, May 2, 1877, Ellen C., a daughter of Henry J. and Rebecca (Snyder) Schmoyer, born in Lower Macungie township, Lehigh county, and they had children: Frederick Benjamin, of further mention. 2. Jennie Mabel, born Sept. 21, 1880, married John R. Helwig, of Allentown. 3. Besie Rebecca, born Sept. 24, 1882, married Wayne C. Yeager, of Allentown.

FRED B. GERNERD, son of Charles Wilson B. and Ellen V. (Schmoyer) Gernerdt, was born in Lower Macungie township, Nov. 22, 1879. He received his early education in the public schools of Allentown; was graduated from the Allentown high school in the class of 1897. He then attended, in succession, Muhlenberg College, Allentown; Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia; and Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, being graduated from the last named institution in 1901. He then matriculated at the School of Political Science of Columbia University, New York, and was awarded his degree of Master of Arts in 1903. He was

graduated from the law department of the same university in 1904, and then spent one year in the offices of Bissel, Carey & Cook, of Buffalo, New York, of which firm Grover Cleveland was a member prior to his election as governor of the state of New York. Early in April, 1905, Mr. Gerner was admitted to the Lehigh county bar, and has been an active practitioner in the courts of Lehigh county since that time. He has taken an active interest in Republican politics since his maturity, has stumped the county in the various campaigns, and was elected district attorney of Lehigh county in 1907, served in this office four years, and was the first to be nominated under the State Primary system. Mr. Gerner conceived the idea of organizing a political club in the city of Allentown, and the John Hay Republican Club is the result of this thought and energy. He was elected the first president of this association and was re-elected for seven consecutive years. He is a member of the Livingston Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He has been connected with a number of leading civil and criminal cases that have been tried in Lehigh county. He is a director of the Citizens' Deposit and Trust Company, and president of the Lehigh Shoe & Rubber Company, which he organized in the fall of 1908. Mr. Gerner is one of the owners of the homestead of his grandfather, C. A. Gerner, which is reputed to be one of the most fertile tracts of land in the county, and consists of 240 acres, provided with good, substantial buildings, and is located in Lower Macungie township, between Trexlertown and Wescoesville.

#### GEORGE FAMILY.

The George's of Lowhill township, this county, and those of Greenwich township, Berks county were relatives. Jost Heinrich George, born about 1707, at Breidscheidt, near Herborn in Herzogthum, Nassau, Germany, was the father of Johann Heinrich George the ancestor of the Berks county family and of Heinrich George (who received his princely inheritance and lived at Harrisburg in a palatial residence, being the father of an only son), by tradition.

Yost George and George George were heads of families and property owners in Lowhill township in 1762. They paid a tax in that year of 6 and 5 pounds respectively. John George was assessed a single man in that year and doubtless was the son of one of the above named. In 1781, the tax list records Jost, George, John, Simon

and Lawrence George, as residents of Lowhill. The federal census of 1790 records the following heads of families in Lowhill: Elizabeth George (2 sons, 8 females); Henry George (3 males, 2 females); Lawrence George (3 males, 4 females); George George (3 males over 16 years, and 4 females); George George, Jr., (had a wife and one daughter); Simon George (had 2 sons over 16 and 2 under 16 years of age and 4 females). Branches of the Lowhill descendants follow:

Lawrence and Maria Christina George had two children born as follows: Maria Catharine born Nov. 21, 1774, and John Lorentz born Feb. 5, 1776.

John and Elizabeth George lived in Lowhill upon a farm. They were members of the Reformed congregation of Lowhill Church. Among their children were:

Peter, born .....Oct. 29, 1769  
 Anna Juliana, born..Sept. 11, 1771  
 Eva Margaret, born..Nov. 22, 1774  
 John, born .....May 4, 1776  
 Catharine, born.....  
 Elizabeth, born .....July 30, 1809

Catharine was married to John Shoemaker and Elizabeth was married to Joseph Bachman. She died aged 85 years and two days.

John George lived upon a farm near Lyon Valley in Weisenberg township. His home stead is now owned by Daniel Derr. He was a member of the Reformed congregation of the Lowhill church and there he is also buried. His wife, Polly Werley, was a daughter of Nicholas Werley. Their children follow: William, John, Penrose, Benneville, Caroline Fianna (m. Jeremiah Klotz), Amanda (m. Levi Smith, of Warren, Pa.), and Aaron (who lived at Plymouth, Pa.).

Benneville F. George was born in 1841 in Weisenberg. At nineteen he learned the saddler trade and following it at Lyons, Berks county, Pa., in Summit and Medina counties, Ohio, until in 1884, he came to Slatington, Pa., where in 1886 he built his present house. In the fall of 1903 he was paralyzed and has been an invalid ever since. In 1868 he married Helen Seibert, a daughter of Reuben Seibert, of Lowhill.

Simon George and his wife, Margaret, were members of the Reformed congregation of the Lowhill Church where they had these children baptized who were born as follows: Elizabeth, born Sept. 28, 1772, and Peter, born Feb. 12, 1775. Among their other children was a son, Daniel, born May 2, 1800. He was a farmer; member of the Evangelical Church; and died Oct. 27, 1882. He was married to Elizabeth Beidler, born in 1801 and died in 1882. They



are buried on the well-kept Evangelical Church cemetery at Cetronia. Issue: Edward; Daniel; Sabina, married Manasses Guth; Isaac; Eliza, married E. H. Blank; Tilghman; Nathan; and Elias George. Daniel, Tilghman, Nathan and Isaac served in the Civil War. Nathan was killed in the battle at Hilton Head, Va.

Edward George, the eldest son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Beidler) George was born, June 26, 1822, in South Whitehall township. He followed the trade of capenter all of his active life. Among the buildings he constructed was the Knappenberger school house in South Whitehall township, about the year 1862.

He was an active member of the Evangelical Church, being an exhorter for 30 years. He was a very pious man and lived a consistent life. He was employed at Catasauqua for some years and on Wednesday evenings walked to Cetronia, where he lived, and lead the weekly prayer meeting. In politics he was a Whig, then a Republican. He died on Oct. 2, 1906. Mrs. George died Dec. 5, 1906.

Edward George married Elizabeth Glick, born Dec. 18, 1821, daughter of John and Catharine (Schwander) Glick (1783-1850). Issue: Milton, died Jan. 21, 1911, aged 67 years; Clara, married Frank Krause; Amelia, married Edmund Guth; Elizabeth and Edward D (twins); Eliza, married Milton A. Flexer; and Tilghman, died New Year's eve, 1863, aged five years.

Edward D. George, son of Edward and Elizabeth (Glick) George, was born March 4, 1853, at Cetronia, Pa. He was educated in the public schools: the Allentown Academy; and with the Allentown Collegiate Cadets, located where stands the old Muhlenberg College. In 1901 he removed to Allentown and became a member of the firm of George & Flexer, coal merchants. In politics he is a Republican and for some years was a member of the town council at Coopersburg. He and family are members of the United Evangelical Church. He is a member of Grace U. E. church choir.

Edward George married Mary J. Gilbert, daughter of Augustus Gilbert. Issue: Clara, died young, and H. Gilbert died aged 6 years.

Jacob George, was born in Lowhill township. For almost 70 years he was owner and proprietor of the Leather Corner Past Hotel, an old landmark of that part of the state. He married Lydia Woodring. Issue: Reuben; Eli; Jonas; Elmina, (Mrs. Reuben Deihl); Elizabeth, (Mrs. Augur); Jemima, (Mrs. Menno Klutz); Lydia, (Mrs. Fenstermacher); Daniel, and George George.

Jonas George, son of Jacob and Lydia (Woodring) George, was born in Lowhill township.

He assisted upon the farm and in the hotel. When not needed on the farm he attended the public school until 18 years of age. He then removed to Allentown, and engaged in the tailoring business, then opened a restaurant on Hamilton St., continuing until 1898, when his son Alfred, succeeded to the business. He married Caroline Newhard. Issue: Alfred George.

Daniel George, son of Jacob George, was born March 6, 1832. After reaching manhood he conducted the following hotels in the order named: Siegersville, Wescoesville, Snydersville, (Hillside), Seiberlingsville and Seipstown. From 1892 to 1900 he followed farming, near East Texas and also near Fogelsville. He and family were Reformed members of Morganland church.

Daniel George married (first) Sarah A. Stettler. Issue: Richard T.; Joseph; Daniel M.; Myron E. and William who died in childhood.

Daniel George married (second) Alice Merkel, daughter of Jacob Merkel. Issue: Katie; Milton; John B.; Harvey C.; and Clarence J. George.

MYRON E. GEORGE, son of Daniel and Sarah A. (Stettler) George, was born June 10, 1865, near Balliettsville, in North Whitehall township. He was reared upon the farm, meanwhile acquiring his education in the public schools. At the age of 17 years he began to learn the tanning and currying trade, at Balliettsville. He followed this vocation for ten years. Subsequently he became a railroad brakeman and then a worker in the cement mill at Northampton. From 1902 to 1904 he was a tenant on a farm in North Whitehall township. In 1904 he settled upon the 48 acre farm where he now lives. This property he improved making it an up-to-date place. He and family are members of the Unionville Reformed Church, which he served as a deacon.

Myron E. George, married Aug. 15, 1887, Annie M. Kern, daughter of Nathan and Carolina (Scheirer) Kern. Issue: William D., married Hattie A. Nagle; Edwin J., married Stella Bloch; Albert R., married Annie Wotring; Kate S. A.; Nathan F.; Sadie C.; Helen A.; Lillie M., who died in infancy.

JOHN B. GEORGE, son of Daniel and Sarah Ann (Stettler) George, was born Sept. 16, 1880. He was reared upon the farm, and was educated in the public schools. He became a motorman for the Allentown and Reading Traction Co., continuing for 2½ years. He then became a bar clerk at the "Catasauqua House," at Catasauqua, Pa., of which he became proprietor in 1904. In 1907 he became proprietor of the present hotel at Breiningsville, continuing for three years. He then lived retired, at Allentown until April 1, 1912, when he became owner of the Golden Eagle

Hotel, to which he made many improvements. This hotel was built in 1800, by Mr. Breinig, and it is a land mark of the township.

He holds membership in the following named orders: I. O. O. F.; B. P. O. E. Moose; and F. O. E. of Allentown. He married in Oct. 1903, Edna L. Scharadin, daughter of Henry A. and Louisa (Gerner) Scharadin, of Allentown. Issue: Wesley S. George.

Peter George was also a farmer on the homestead, and here carried on a distillery. He served as one of the building committee in erecting the third Lowhill Church in 1858. He was married to Rosina Werley (who died in 1857, aged 63 years). They had ten children, four sons, Peter, John, Jonas and Phaon, and six daughters.

Peter George, son of Peter, was born on the homestead of 100 acres in 1826, and besides farming the plantation he carried on the distilling here (as the successor of his father) for twenty years, from 1865 to 1885. He lived in retirement on the place for a number of years until his decease June 3, 1913, at the advanced age of 87 years. He was prominently identified with the Lowhill church which he served as deacon, elder and trustee. He married Julia Greenawald, daughter of Daniel of Weissenberg township, and they had five children: Sarah (m. Wilson Peter), Alice (m. E. A. Wilt), Frank, Menno (m. Sarah A. Millhouse), and Moses (m. Agnes Peter). His wife died in 1900, aged 64 years. Frank P. George, farmer of Lowhill, was born on the homestead in the township near Bittner Corner, June 17, 1860, where he was reared and educated until he became eighteen years old. Then he learned milling under E. A. Wilt at Cedarville near Dorney's Park and continued there three years. He was afterward engaged in baking and milling for several years when he formed a partnership with his brother, Menno, and carried on the distilling business on the homestead as successors of their father until 1900 when the enterprise (which had been operated there for many years) was discontinued. In 1885 he purchased the property of 50 acres where he now resides, a short distance south of Bittner's Corner, and he has been engaged in farming until now, having given his attention from 1885 to 1900 to the distillery. He has served as a school director of the township, and is now filling the position of road-master in the upper district. He also served as a deacon and trustee of Lowhill church, and is now acting as an elder. In politics he is a Republican and as such frequently represents the district as a delegate to a county convention.

In 1878 Mr. George was married to Elvena Everett, of Lynn township, and they have four

children: Birdie (m. Albert Rauch), Mamie (m. Granville Bachman), Florence (m. Solon Newmoyer), and Arthur (who is at home with his parents).

William George was a farmer of Lowhill township located near what is now known as Bittner's Corner. He was married Dec. 8, 1795, to Catharine Shoemaker (daughter of Paul, and grand-daughter of Jacob, who emigrated from Germany in 1745); and they had seven children: Peter (m. Rosina Werley); John (who is next described in this sketch), Catharine (m. John Shoemaker); Mollie (m. Nicholas Houseman); Elizabeth (m. Joseph Bachman); Lydia (m. Jonathan Zimmerman). Catherine was born October 6, 1777, and died Dec. 3, 1871. The record of William's decease could not be ascertained. It is probable that he was a grandson of Heinrich George and a son of John George who were identified with the organization of Weissenberg church in 1747, and afterward with that of Lowhill church in 1769.

John George, second son of William, was born Jan. 26, 1804, in Lowhill on the homestead and was brought up there on the farm. He moved to Weissenberg and came to possess two farms, one of 102 acres, which he sold in 1870 to his son-in-law, Franklin Clauss (now the property of Oliver P. Fisher), and the other of 173 which he sold in 1877 to his son, John. He died July, 4, 1886, and was buried at Lowhill church. He was married to Maria (Polly) Werley, daughter of Andreas (see Werley Family). She was born Jan. 8, 1809, died July 7, 1878, and was also buried at Lowhill Church. They had eight children: William (m. 1st Lydia Werley, 2nd Mary Ann Kern), John, Caroline (m. Frank Clauss), Fianna (m. Jeremiah Klotz), Penrose (m. Anna Seibert), Benneville (m. Helena Seibert), Amanda (m. Seir Smith), and Aaron (m. Maggie ———).

John George, Jr., second son of John and Maria George, was born in Weissenberg, Dec. 9, 1829, and carried on his farm of 173 acres from 1862 until his decease April 24, 1907, when it descended to his two sons. In 1861 he was married to Sallie Klotz, daughter of Joel, farmer of Lowhill, and they had two sons, James F. and Oliver J. Since his decease the widow has continued her residence in the old home, with the elder son, James.

James F. George, farmer of Weissenberg, was born Jan. 18, 1862 on the place where he now resides, and where he was brought up and educated in the township school. He assisted his father in carrying on the plantation until 1907, when, by the decease of his father, he and his brother became the joint owners, and since then



they together have successfully conducted the farming operations. In 1900 he filled the position of enumerator of the township in supplying the particulars for the U. S. census.

He was married to Sarah Frey, daughter of Peter, of Lowhill.

Oliver J. George, farmer of Weissenberg, was born Dec. 12, 1869, also on the place and there brought up and educated in the township school, and like his brother James assisted his father until 1907 when he became a joint owner of the premises by the decease of his father, and since then he and his brother have cultivated the farm successfully, excepting three years when he carried on the farm of his father-in-law, Jonas Rex. He married Ellenora Rex, daughter of Jonas, and brother of Thaddeus Rex (whose sketch and ancestry appear under separate head). They have five children: Romas S. (graduated from township school in 1909, and given school as teacher in South Whitehall for 1913-14), Helen M. J., Ralph, Paul J., and Robert J.

JOSEPH H. GERSBACH.

Joseph H. Gersbach, proprietor of the 9th Ward hotel, Allentown, was born in the same city February 22, 1870. His grandfather, Jacob Gersbach, was a native of Canton Argau, Switzerland, where he was born July 10, 1801. He came to America in 1852 and located at Nazareth. Later he moved to Bethlehem where he lived some years after which he made his home with his son, John, in Allentown where he died July 6, 1880. His wife was Maria Haller who came from the same place in Switzerland. She was born December 17, 1803, died April 14, 1864. They had four children: Ida, Julia, John and Josephine.

John Gersbach, the father of Joseph H. Gersbach, was born in Canton Argau, Switzerland, February 23, 1843. He died in Allentown August 26, 1900. He came to America with his parents in 1852. He was a locomotive engineer for the North Penn Railroad Co., later for the Allentown Iron Works and still later he was the engineer for the Allentown rolling mills. In politics he was a Democrat and for 12 years he represented the Sixth Ward in the School Board. He resided at 438 Ridge Avenue since 1867 where his widow and several children still reside. His wife was Martha Quast a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Utsch) Quast. Peter Quast was born in 1827 in Herodorf, Prussia. He came to America in 1850 and settled in Allentown where he became very active in political matters having been a member of the City Council for many years. He was an active and prominent member of the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart of

Jesus. His children were Martha, wife of John Gersbach and Peter who died just before he was ordained to the priesthood. To John Gersbach and wife the following children were born, Edward, Joseph H., John, Mary, Peter, Frank, Elizabeth, Emma, Robert and three children who died in infancy.

Joseph H. Gersbach was educated in the parochial schools of Allentown. He learned the trade of furniture finishing and was foreman for R. Croll & Co. In April, 1896, he engaged in the saloon business at the corner of Front and Tilghman Streets where he continued for four years. In April, 1900, he became the proprietor of the 9th Ward hotel, No. 430 and 432 Gordon Street. Mr. Gersbach adheres to the principles of the Democratic party. In 1898 and 1899 he represented the Sixth Ward in Common Council. After he moved to the 9th ward, he was elected in 1901 to represent this ward and has been honored by being re-elected six times. He was chairman of Common Council for eight successive years. He was chairman of the Highway Department for ten years. In 1890 he was married to Mary Ebertz, a daughter of Nicholas and Gertrude Ebertz. This union was blessed with five children: Charles; Gertrude, deceased; Albert, Francis, deceased; and Frederick.

GEORGE T. GILBERT.

George Theodore Gilbert, chief engineer of the Merchants Ice Company, at Allentown, was born in Lehigh county, Sept. 27, 1863, and educated in the public school there. He was put to work at the iron ore mines when ten years old and he worked at different occupations until 1891. During that time he learned to run a stationary engine and he filled positions in this employment at various mines until 1899. Then he moved to Allentown and was engineer at B. F. Kriebel's, Lieberman's Brewery, Frederick's Brick Yard, and the Palace Silk Mill. With this experience he secured the position of chief engineer and assistant manager at the plant of the Merchants Ice Company, with fourteen men under his charge.

In 1881, Mr. Gilbert was married to Mary Boyer, daughter of Levi and Hettie (Werley) Boyer, of Longswamp township, in Berks county, and they had eight children: Levi F. (carpenter, married to Ella Eisenhart); Bella M.; Howard E. (head bookkeeper at the Neuweiler Brewery); Lulu M. (who died in infancy); Charles Alfred; Katie M.; E. Helen M.; and Raymond E. They are members of the Zion's Lehigh church. In politics he is a Democrat.

His father, Mathias Gilbert, was born in

North Whitehall township, where he attended the public school and learned the trade of carpenter. He followed it in the township for a number of years; then moved to Allentown and carried it on until he died at the age of 73 years. He was married to Mary Rink, daughter of Andreas Rink. She died at the age of 84 years. They were members of the Lutheran congregation at Zion's Lehigh church. They had ten children: Benjamin F.; Emma R., m. B. F. Kriebel; Francis; Sarah E., m. C. A. Miller; Oscar, (died in infancy); Louisa, m. Erastus Miller; George T.; Agnes, who died when thirteen years of age); Howard, and Cora, (who died in infancy).

#### GILDNER FAMILY.

The first American settler of this branch of the Gildner family was John Francis Gildner or Frantz Gildner, who emigrated from Rotterdam some time in 1738 on the ship Glasgow and landed in Philadelphia on September 9th, 1738. We know nothing of his ancestors or at what age he emigrated. The Pennsylvania Archives however show that at the age of 22 years one Frans Giltner took his oath of allegiance.

According to tradition John Francis Giltner married Catharine, or Kate Weber and that they resided in the township of Heidelberg, Northampton county, now Lehigh county. This is substantiated by 2 land warrants to Francis Gildner, the one under date of November 28, 1743, for 97 acres and a second warrant on November 21, 1766, for 109 acres. We have no record or evidence to show us when John Francis Gildner or his wife Catharine died.

There was born to John Francis Gildner or Giltner and Catharine or Kate his wife ten children, as the fruit of their marriage, namely: Bernard, Jacob, Tobias, Andrew, Francis, John George, or John Christian, Catharine, Magdalena, Margaret and another daughter who died in youth.

Andrew Gildner or Giltner, one of the sons of John Francis, also lived in Heidelberg township, on the farm owned at this writing by Charles Miller. He died some time between 1840 to 1850 and is buried in the old Heidelberg Church cemetery. He was a Lutheran in his religious faith, and a farmer by trade. With his wife, Christiana, *nee* Dengler, he had the following children, namely: 5 daughters, Sarah, intermarried to John Haring and after his death to John Ebert; Leah, married to one Xander; Polly, married to Jesse Schuck; Dianah, married to one Hilbert; Catharine, married to Daniel Wert, and three sons, Andrew, Jr., Peter and Stephen.

Peter Gildner the second son of Andrew, Sr., was born on Feb. 21, 1803, and died on May 25, 1856. He lived and died in Lynn township, Lehigh county, and is buried in the old New Tripoli cemetery. In his early manhood he was a shoemaker by trade but later in life a weaver of woolen and flaxen goods. He owned a small tract of land in Lynn township. In religion he was a Lutheran. He was married twice. The first time to Katie Werley on Oct. 25, 1820. With this union there were five daughters, namely: Brigitta intermarried with John A. Reitz, Catharine intermarried with Samuel Loch, Polly intermarried with Manasses Stoudt, Rebecca intermarried with Henry Allspach and Lydia intermarried with Jacob Stengley. Polly and Rebecca were twin sisters. There were also born to the first marriage four sons, namely, Jonas, John, Elias and Gideon.

On August 27, 1843, Peter Gildner married Katie Straub his second wife. This marriage resulted in the following issue, namely: Fianna, Mary married to Daniel D. Wertman, Matilda married to Lewis F. Wertman, Madina married to James Billig, Owen, David and Nathan both of whom died at the age of 6 months.

Jonas Gildner, first son of Peter Gildner was born Sept. 2, 1828, in Lynn township, 3 miles southwest of New Tripoli, on the farm now owned by Amandus Weaver. At the age of 16 Jonas learned the shoemaker's trade which trade he followed until 1872. In his time he made many new shoes and boots and taught many in the trade. He at the same time conducted his farm and huckstered to the towns of Tamaqua and Summit Hill for 20 years. In 1896 Jonas moved to New Tripoli where he now resides and is still following his boyhood trade as a cobbler at the age of 84 years. He has been a member of Ebenezer Lutheran Church of New Tripoli since confirmation and served as a member of the church council for 4 years. In politics he has been a Republican since the organization of the party and always took an active interest in politics. In 1860 when Lincoln was elected president he served as one of the election officers. The ballots were printed in German.

He was married in 1849 to Mary Ann Krassley, daughter of Peter Krassley. His wife died in September, 1895. The issue of their marriage are the following: Jonas, Elias K., James, Sarah A., Emma, Rosa and Mary A.

ELIAS K. GILDNER, a son of Jonas Gildner, was born Oct. 31, 1851, in Lynn township, Lehigh county, three miles southwest of New Tripoli. He was educated in the public school of Lynn township and during his boyhood days worked at the trade of shoemaking be-



fore and after school. This trade he followed as a livelihood from the time he left his home, at the age of twenty one years, until 1890. As a shoemaker he established himself in the village of New Tripoli with a few dollars in cash and one half side of sole leather. This trade afforded him a little more than a living and by saving was able to purchase a lot in the village in 1873 on which he erected a work shop. The following year he built the house which forms the main portion of the property he presently occupies as a home, a shoe store, a job printery and a barber shop.

In March, 1874, he was married to Mary Louisa, *nee* Snyder, a daughter of Jonas F. and Maria Snyder of near the village of New Tripoli. Five children were born to them, namely, two sons, Francis J. and Charles H., and three daughters, Ella J., wife of Clinton E. Leiby; Laura A., wife of Fred S. Sittler and Edna M., all of whom are living.

On January 25, 1882, Elias K. Gildner received the appointment as postmaster of New Tripoli and served in that office until October 30, 1885. This appointment came to him in recognition of his interest in Republican politics.

He has always been musically inclined, and in July, 1872, became a member of the Lynnvillle Brass Band which in its day was considered a good band, and remained a member thereof until 1879 when the organization disbanded. In 1880 he assisted in the organization of the New Tripoli Cornet Band and was its conductor for fifteen years. He was thus an active band man for 32 years.

In May, 1878, Mr. Gildner started his career as a shoe merchant with a stock of \$300. This stock has since been increased to such an extent that to-day he has a stock such as one seldom sees in a country village of the size of New Tripoli. In 1898 he took up job printing with Hon. James A. Miller and in 1908 purchased from Mr. Miller the printing outfit and is now, with the assistance of his son, Charles H., conducting in addition to his shoe store the job printing business, as well as a barber shop which is managed and operated by his son, Charles, in the enlarged quarters on the premises where in 1873 he started as a cobbler.

In fraternal organizations Mr. Gildner has taken an active part. He is a charter member of New Tripoli Grand Council No. 204 Jr. O. U. A. M., of New Tripoli, Pa., a member of Blue Mountain Lodge No. 249 I. O. O. F., of Steinsville, Pa., and a member of Jackson Castle No. 343 K. of G. E., of Jacksonville, Pa.

In his church Mr. Gildner has always taken

an active interest. He has been a member of the church choir for many years and is presently a member of the board of trustees of Ebenezer Lutheran congregation in his home town of New Tripoli.

FRANCIS J. GILDNER, a son of Elias K. Gildner, was born in the village of New Tripoli, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, on October 21, 1875. He received his boyhood education in the public schools of New Tripoli. In 1895 he started to prepare for college by receiving instruction from private teachers at his home. In the spring of 1896 he entered the Ursinus Academy at Collegeville, Penna., where he completed his preparation. In the fall of 1896 he entered the Freshman class at Ursinus College and graduated from the same institution in 1900. While at college Mr. Gildner took an active interest in all college activities and in its societies. He was a member of the Zwinglian Literary Society, the College Glee Club, the College Quartette and the College Orchestra.

After his graduation from Ursinus College he registered as a law student with the Hon. Marcus C. L. Kline and Hon. Arthur G. Dewalt. In the fall of 1900 he entered the law offices of Kline and Dewalt and continued the reading of law under Mr. Kline after the dissolution of the firm of Kline & Dewalt. In July, 1904, he passed the examination of the State Board of Law Examiners for admission to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. On September 21, 1904, he was admitted to the bar of Lehigh county and opened his law office in the city of Allentown. On December 5, 1910, he was admitted to the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, and on October 7, 1912, to the bar of Northampton county.

During the years 1906, 1907 and 1908 he served as deputy prothonotary, of Lehigh county under George G. Blumer, prothonotary. Since January 1, 1909, he has given his entire time to the practice of the law in the city of Allentown. He was one of the organizers of the Penn Counties Trust Company, of Allentown and is a director of the same institution. In politics he is a Republican and in religious faith a Lutheran.

On June 5, 1905, Mr. Gildner was married to Ida Minerva Smith, daughter of Theodore S. and Ruth A. J. Smith, of his native village, New Tripoli. Mrs. Gildner was an accomplished musician, holding a diploma from the New England Conservatory of Music, at Boston, Mass., as a violin soloist, and teacher in piano, theory of music and harmony. She was blessed with the rare gift of absolute pitch. Her musical ear was so true that she was able to name as many as twelve to fifteen keys struck on a piano at the same moment. She was able to play from

memory on both the violin and piano no less than two hundred selections. In 1898 she played for Eugene Ysaye the greatest living violinist, and as a remembrance he took from his violin which he used the night before to play a recital in Boston, the E string and presented it to her.

On November 26, 1906, Lorena Olivia Smith Gildner, an only child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gildner. On May 28, 1913, Mrs. Gildner died from the result of an operation.

CHARLES H. GILDNER, the youngest son of Elias K., was born at New Tripoli, Pa., Oct. 1, 1878. He was educated in the township schools and at an early age he learned the barber trade from his father. In 1906 he engaged in the barber business for himself and conducts an up-to-date tonsorial parlor, having two chairs. Mr. Gildner is also a printer, having assisted his father in the printing establishment and in the shoe store from his youth up.

He is a Lutheran member of the Ebenezer church upon which he performed much work in its erection from its foundation up to the steeple. He was first employed to carry the water for the laboring men and worked upon it for almost two years.

Socially he is a member of Council No. 204 J. O. U. A. M.

#### GILLESPIE FAMILY.

David Gillespie, a native of County Derry, Ireland, was born in 1832, and came to America when but sixteen years of age, locating at Catasauqua, where he secured employment with the Crane Iron Co. Later he became foreman for Morgan Emmanuel, by whom he was employed for a number of years. In 1867 he entered the mercantile business on 2nd street in Catasauqua, which he conducted until his death. He served two terms as councilman and two terms as school director in the borough of Catasauqua. He was prominently identified with Catasauqua Lodge, I. O. O. F., having filled all the various offices of the organization. He served many years as trustee and elder in the Bridge Street Presbyterian Church. His wife was Sarah Hazelett, who was born in 1832 and died in 1904. They had the following children: Mary, married J. Henry Leickel; Robert; Sarah, married Joseph Weisley; Maggie, married Charles Lawall, druggist, of Catasauqua; Lizzie; Martha; and David, who succeeded his father in the mercantile business.

ROBERT GILLESPIE, coal and feed merchant, of Coplay, was born in Catasauqua, February 24, 1861. After attending the public schools of his native borough he learned the moulding trade at the Union Foundry, which he followed three

years, after which he learned telegraphy, which he followed for 18 years in the service of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. During this time he also served as ticket agent, baggage master and yard master. During four years of the eighteen in the employment of this company he was located at Phillipsburg as train dispatcher. He was train dispatcher when the company built its third track between Greens Bridge and Canada. In 1898 he resigned to engage in the coal and grain business, which he conducted very successfully at Coplay. For eight years Mr. Gillespie was Republican committeeman of Catasauqua. He is a member of the Catasauqua Lodge, I. O. O. F. In 1889 he was married to Annie G. Lee, daughter of Armat W. Lee, of Allentown. To them the following children were born: Harold Lee, a chemist in the employ of the Atlas Cement Company; Armat L., assisting his father; Carl L.; Robert H. and Emily Hazlet, who died in May, 1912, at the age of four years.

#### THOMAS OLIVER GINKINGER.

Thomas Oliver Ginkinger, an aged citizen of Allentown, and a notary public for 50 years, is of German origin, his ancestor coming to America at an early date. The family have resided in Allentown for several generations.

Christian Ginkinger, born 1760, died 1828, for some years, carried the United States mail on horse-back weekly, between Allentown and Heidelberg. He married Mary C. Bischof, born 1762, died 1838, and had sons: William, James, Thomas and Samuel.

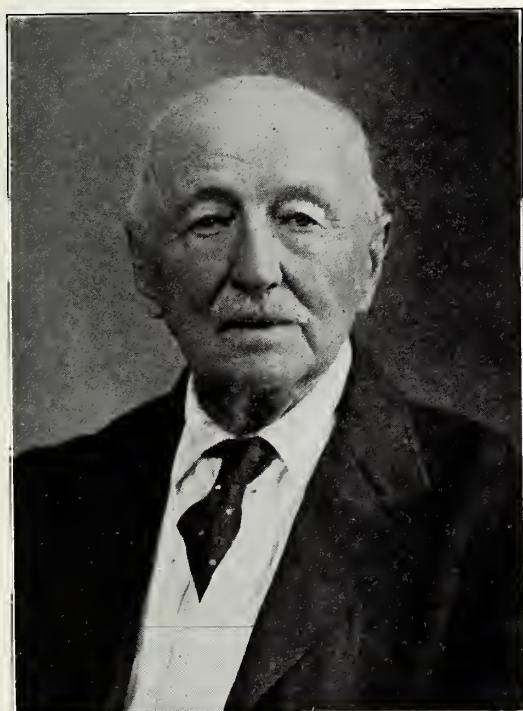
Thomas Ginkinger, son of Christian, was born in Allentown, where he learned the trade of tinsmith, then engaged in that business on his own account, dealing in stoves and other wares in that line. He was born in 1799 and died in 1851.

He married Veronica Miller, born in Germany in 1797, died in 1867. Children: Matilda (Mrs. Joseph Nonamacher); Thomas Oliver; Annie M. (Mrs. William Leh); Tilghman; Sarah and Henry, who died young.

Thomas Oliver Ginkinger, son of Thomas and Veronica (Miller) Ginkinger, was born Sept. 14, 1823, in Allentown. He attended the subscription schools and the old Allentown Academy, which was taught by a Mr Douglass, the village schoolmaster. When his school days were over, he learned the tinsmith trade with his father and later he took over his father's business, continuing it for four years, when he disposed of the same; and assumed control of the Penn Hotel, conducting it for four years. He resumed his old trade, and was in the employ of J. H. Bush and Company, upward of 5 years. He then formed a partnership with George T. Young,



and they conducted a stove and tinware business for four years, when the partnership was dissolved. In 1864 he was given a commission as notary public, by Governor Curtin, and has held the commission to the present date (1913). For nearly 70 years he has resided at No. 119 North Seventh street, in a brick dwelling, which is one of the oldest in that section. He is a well-known and respected citizen. He is called "The Grand Old Man" of Allentown, is yet hale and hearty at the ripe age of 90 years, and in full possession of all his faculties. In politics he is a Republican. His life motto has been the "Golden Rule."



THOMAS O. GINKINGER.

Thomas O. Ginkinger married May 13, 1842, Elizabeth Miller, daughter of Henry Miller, of Hanover township, Lehigh county. She died in 1897, aged 76 years, and was interred in Allentown cemetery.

There were born to them 9 children: Ellen Jane, widow of George Youse; Eliza Ann (Mrs. Edward Schlauch); Henry T., residing in Allentown; Emma F., residing with her father; Wilson T., also residing in Allentown; Harvey and Edgar, deceased; Estella B., widow of Daniel Dutt, Jennie Virginia (Mrs. Joseph Shiffert).

Estella B. has sons, Floyd and Willard Dutt. She resides with her father.

# GISH FAMILY.

Among the lists of early immigrants into Pennsylvania, Matthias Gisch appears as a passenger who crossed the ocean on the ship Pennsylvania-Merchant which landed at Philadelphia on Sept. 18, 1733; but on the original list his name is recorded as "Mathias Kish." And a Jacob Giss appears as a passenger one year earlier who landed at Philadelphia from the ship Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 1732.

There is a tradition in the family that three brothers had emigrated from the Palatinate, Abraham, Jacob and Matthias. Abraham had a son named Abraham; and Jacob also had a son by the same name who was buried in Mt. Joy township, Lancaster county, on a farm now owned by Jacob Stern, near Reeser's Meeting house on the road leading from Manheim to Elizabethtown.

The Abraham, son of Abraham, was a blacksmith by trade; born Feb. 4, 1775, and died Feb. 24, 1855; married to Anna Eshelman, a daughter of Jacob and Catharine (Stauffer) Eshelman; and they had eight children: Jacob, John, Abraham, Barbara, Catharine, Anna, Elizabeth and Michael,

He was married to a second wife, named Barbara Meyer (a widow, who died in 1864, aged eighty-nine years) but with whom he had no children. And the Abraham, son of Jacob, was married to Elizabeth Capp and they had five children: Christianna, John Abraham, Jacob, Anna Maria (married to Henry Bestoler), and Catharine (married to S. Brendel); all of whom lived to old age.

Abraham Gish, son of the second Abraham, was born Nov. 21, 1803, in Mt. Joy township, Lancaster county, and moved to Northampton county in 1827 when the Lehigh canal was being constructed. He followed a mercantile business for many years in connection with operating a farm of 120 acres, which is still owned by members of his family (William H. Gish and his sister). In 1833 he was appointed a justice of the peace by the governor; and in 1853 he established the postoffice at Berlinsville where he served as postmaster for a continuous period of twenty-seven years. He was greatly interested in school matters during the transition from the parochial or pay schools to the public-school system. He was one of the organizers of the Dime Savings Bank at Slatington and he served as a director of it until it was closed; and he operated a slate quarry for a number of years. He was married to Elizabeth Hummel and they had eight children, viz: Annie (who died unmarried, Oct. 13, 1898); Maria (married Rev.

William Yost, of Cleveland, Ohio); Ellen (married Dr. H. H. Riegel); William H.; Emma L. (married D. Z. Herr, of Cleveland, Ohio); and Martha E. (married William Craig, of Blue Springs, Nebraska). He and his family were members of the Evangelical church; and he died Jan. 10, 1880.

WILLIAM H. GISH, son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Hummel) Gish, cashier of the National Bank of Slatington, was born at Berlinsville, Northampton county, on January 9, 1839. He attended the schools of his district, also the Eastern Academy and Union Seminary at New Berlin, Pa., and in 1856 he began to teach school at Berlinsville and taught there one term and two terms at Slatington; then for a number of years he filled very credibly the position of chief bookkeeper of the Carbon Iron Co. at Parryville, and also of the Lehigh Slate Co., at Slatington.

In 1866 he located at Slatington to take charge of the Dime Savings Bank and he conducted this institution for several years in a faithful manner, acquiring thereby an intimate knowledge of banking affairs which enabled him to render valuable and efficient aid as one of the organizers of the national bank at that place in 1875 and he became the first cashier of this financial institution, and since then has filled this position most creditably, its remarkable success being to a large degree attributable to his wise and conservative management which is evidenced by its growth from total resources of less than \$300,000 to total resources in April 1914, of almost \$1,000,000.

During this period of almost fifty years, he manifested a constant interest in everything that related to the industrial as well as the financial welfare and development of the community. In this behalf he had the earnest co-operation and support of his father-in-law, Robert McDowell, Hon. D. D. Roper and Thomas Kern, of Slatington, Dr. H. H. Riegel, of Catasauqua, Col. John H. Craig, of Lehigh Gap; Peter Gross, of Schnecksville, and V. W. Weaver, of Millers-town (now Macungie).

In politics Mr. Gish has been a staunch Republican from the inception of the party. As such he was elected treasurer of the borough and served several terms. Mr. Gish's name was oft-times mentioned in connection with important public offices, but he had no ambition for public life.

Simple and unostentatious in his tastes and pleasures he was a man who after the cares of the day, liked best to go to his own home to rest and bring cheer to those he loved. In religious matters, he has been equally zealous. He connected

himself with the United Evangelical Church and served the congregation in various ways.

In 1867 he was married to Helen McDowell, a daughter of Robert and Sarah E. (Mulholland) McDowell and they lived together in affectionate companionship for nearly fifty years.

She died July 16, 1912. They had an only daughter, Elizabeth May, a graduate of the Slatington High school, and of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pa., is at home with her father.

#### WILLIAM H. GLACE.

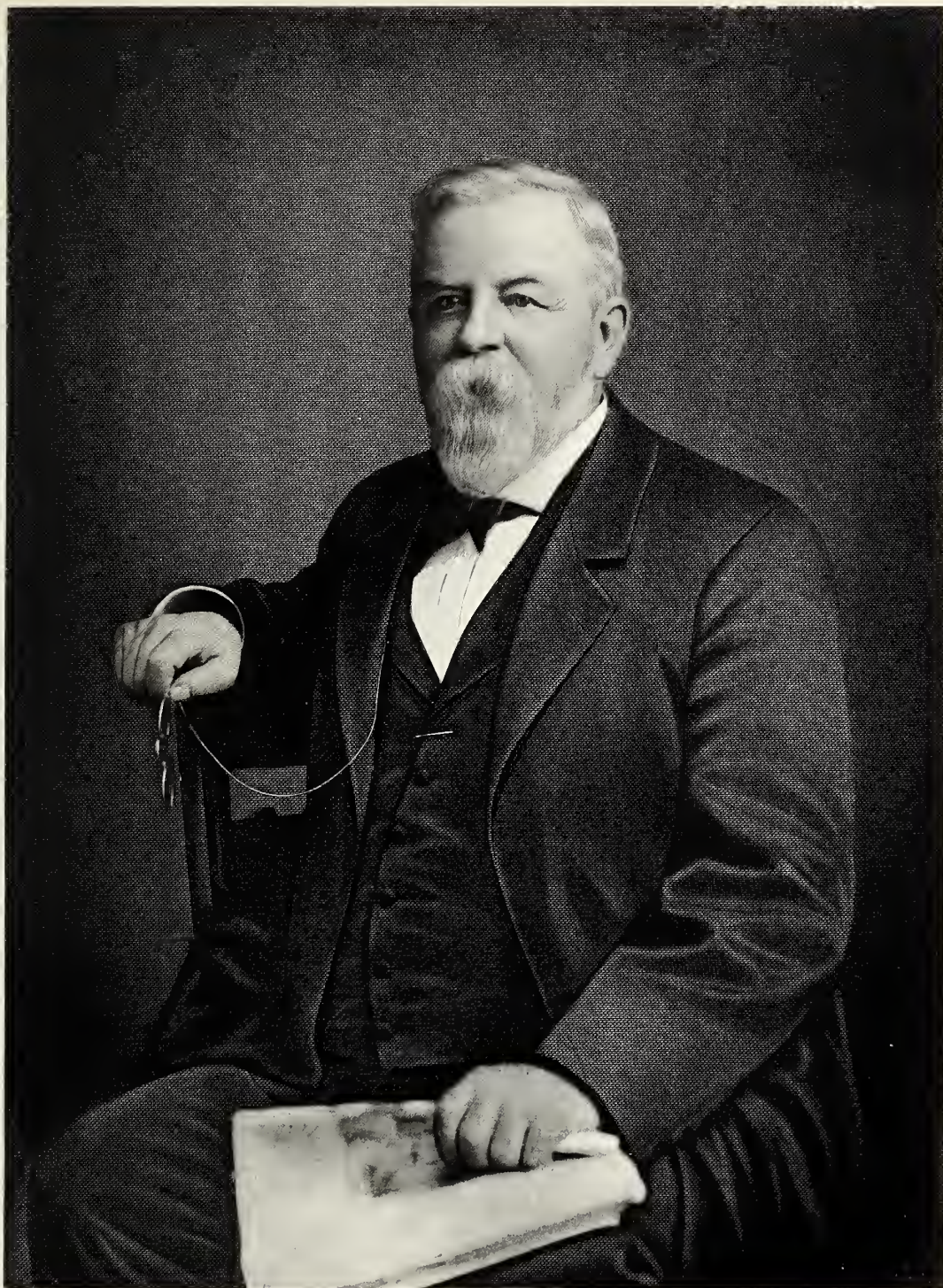
William H. Glace, lawyer at Catasauqua for 40 years, and a public official here for a time, was born Feb. 12, 1839, on the farm of his grandfather, John Swartz, situated along the Lehigh river, one mile north of Catasauqua, at Dry Run. He received his education in the public schools of the vicinity, and in Wyoming Seminary, at Kingston, Penna.

One year prior to the Civil War, he went to Charleston, S. C., and secured employment as entry clerk in the wholesale house of Thayer Dewing & Company. While engaged here, he saw the weekly sales of slaves in an enclosed yard adjoining Broad street, the thoroughfare of the city, and he observed the secret preparations which were made there for the "Conflict." A United States arsenal was located in this prominent place, which was being filled with munitions of war by the then Secretary of War under President Buchanan. Great numbers of open boxes with rifles were carried there and this performance at the national depository attracted much public attention.

Realizing that a conflict between the North and South was apparently imminent, Mr. Glace determined to return home while he could do so conveniently without embarrassment; and shortly afterward he enlisted as a sergeant in Co. F, 47th Penna. Vols. He continued in active service for three years, having participated with his regiment in all the battles of the Red River expedition, and also in the numerous engagements of a part of the Northern army in defending the outposts of Washington against the exciting raids by Confederates under General Early.

Upon his discharge from the military service, he became the bookkeeper and paymaster of the C. & F. R. R. Company, at Catasauqua, and he filled this position for two years. Then he studied law in the offices of John H. Oliver, Esq., at Allentown, and was admitted to practice in the several courts of Lehigh county, April 13, 1868. Soon after his admission to the bar, the auditor general of Pennsylvania (General John F. Hartman) selected him to be the assessor of the national banks in Lehigh, Northampton, and Mon-





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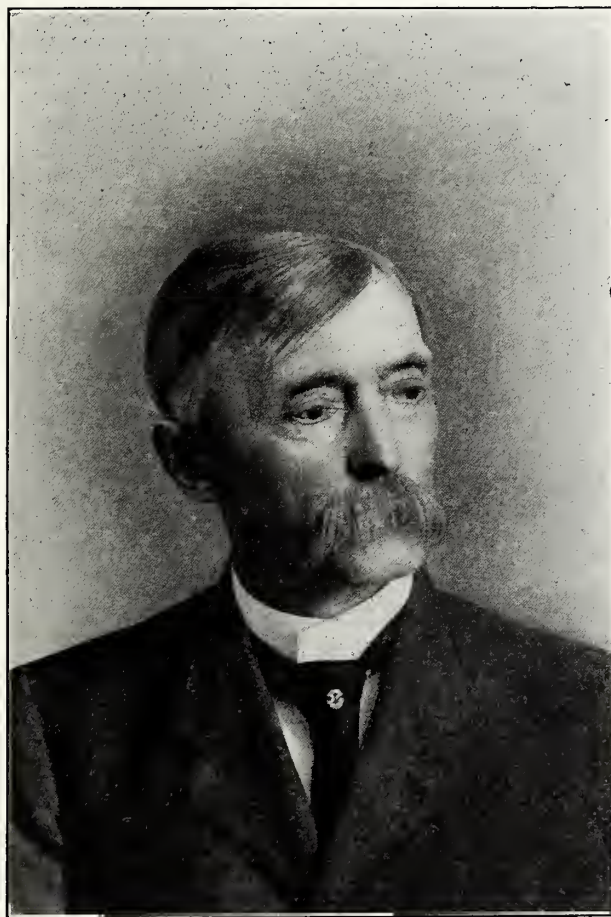




roe counties, and he filled this position for two years from 1868 to 1870. During this time he had begun a preliminary practice of the law at Allentown. While there, in the fall of 1868, he was nominated for the legislature by the Republican Party, and his popularity was shown by receiving the highest vote of his party.

In the fall of 1869, he was nominated for justice of the peace at Catasauqua, and of the four candidates on the ticket he received the highest

In the practice of the law he directed his attention chiefly to the settlement of estates in Catasauqua and the surrounding township, the examination and transmission of title to real estate in these districts, and the investment of money on reliable security, in all of which he became a safe adviser and recognized authority. During the past twenty-five years, he prepared the last wills of nearly all the prominent men of the community. His practice in the respects mentioned



WILLIAM H. GLACE, ESQ.

vote. He was commissioned for five years, and at the end of his term this time was extended to the spring of 1875 by the new state constitution of 1874, and he was commissioned accordingly. He was then elected chief burgess of the borough and officiated for the year 1876. He subsequently served as auditor for six years, as borough solicitor for seven years, and as school director for three years; and he also acted as a notary public for 28 consecutive years.

became very extensive, which evidences the large volume of business transacted by him. After a continuous practice of forty years, he retired from the active duties of professional life.

While a student of law at Allentown, Mr. Glace became a member of the first post of the G. A. R. in Lehigh county, which was organized shortly after the close of the Civil War. He has been a member for many years of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia.

In 1870, Mr. Glace organized the Catasauqua Loan and Building Association, and notwithstanding the financial panic which extended from 1873 to 1877 and seriously affected this community, he directed its affairs in such a successful manner that it was dissolved in eleven years and all the shareholders received their money.

In 1906, Mr. Glace with other persons at Catasauqua, organized the Lehigh National Bank, which embarked in the banking business and it has since been conducted in a successful manner. He was selected as its first president and officiated two years.

Mr. Glace having been prominently identified with the history and development of the community, he published, in February, 1914, a compilation entitled "Early History and Reminiscences of Catasauqua," as an historical contribution toward the proper observance of "Old Home Week," which the citizens determined to celebrate.

In 1874, Mr. Glace was married to Mary Jennie Stark, a great grand-daughter of Aaron Stark, who fell as a sacrifice in the awful "Massacre of Wyoming," in 1778, and whose remains repose under the historic Wyoming monument.

Mr. Glace's father, Samuel Glace, was a native of Reamstown, in Lancaster county. He was born in 1805 and when two years old his parents removed to Conyngham, Luzerne county. He was educated in the English schools of the village, and when he became of age he located at Mauch Chunk, where he entered the employ of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company. Shortly afterwards he went to Lehigh Gap and was the first person to manufacture hydraulic cement in the Lehigh Valley, a special paper on this subject having been prepared by his son (the subject of this sketch) for the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. In 1830, he took up his residence at Biery's Port, upon receiving the appointment of division superintendent of the canal from the "Slate Dam" at Laury's to the "Allentown Dam," and he filled this position for ten years; and afterward he served the Crane Iron Company as mining agent for many years. He lived in retirement nearly twenty years at his residence No. 307 Bridge street, and he died in 1892, at the advanced age of 86 years. He was married to Isabella Swartz, daughter of John Swartz, and they had two children: William H., the subject of this sketch; and Amanda E., married to Dr. Daniel Yoder.

His mother's great-grandfather on the maternal side was John Jacob Mickley, a Huguenot. Upon the revocation of the Edict of Nantes, his parents with numerous other countrymen, were obliged to flee from France and locate in the Pal-

atinate where he was born, and in 1733, he emigrated to Pennsylvania. After landing at Philadelphia, he immediately proceeded up the Delaware and Lehigh rivers and settled in the vicinity of Egypt on a tract of land four miles northwest of Catasauqua. In 1763, while three of his little children were hunting chestnuts near their home, two of them were murdered by the Indians. Other persons were also murdered during the Indian invasion. The Historical Society of Lehigh county in the fall of 1913, set up a stone "marker" in Whitehall township, about a mile from Egypt, to indicate the locality of the massacre, and the names inscribed on this "marker" include those of the two Mickley children. Three sons of this early settler were enlisted in the Revolution, and one of them brought the "Liberty Bell" from Philadelphia to Allentown, where it was secreted for a time in the cellar of Zion's Reformed church.

Her great-grandfather, on the paternal side, was Nicholas Swartz, who settled in Longswamp township, Berks county, in 1750, and in 1787 his son Christian, migrated to the Irish settlement in Northampton county, where he then built a large stone dwelling house along the Lehigh river near the outlet of Dry Run, and it was here that Mr. Glace's mother as well as he himself, was born.

The residence of Mr. Glace is at 307 Bridge street, Catasauqua, Pa., where he has resided almost continuously since 1855.

#### GLICK FAMILY.

Johannes Glück with his wife, Magdalena, and some children, came to this country from Hanau, Germany, on the ship, Snow Good Intent, from Amsterdam, and landed at Philadelphia, October 23, 1754. They settled near Wessnersville, in Albany township, Berks county, Pennsylvania. This pioneer was born October 29, 1715, and died March 23, 1781. Both are buried at the Frieden's Church, near Wessnersville, Berks county, Pa. Their brown sandstone tombstones are still intact and the inscriptions plainly legible. The last will and testament of Johannes Glück is on file in the Register's Office, at Reading, Pa., in and for the County of Berks, in which his widow, Magdalena, and his sons, George and Philip are appointed the executors. The will bears date November 14, 1780. Letters were granted the executors August 23, 1783. The name of Johannes Glück appears upon the tax-list of Albany township from 1758 to 1780; and different land purchases are of record to his credit. He had these sons, viz: Philip, Daniel, Frederick, Henry, Peter, George and probably David.

The federal census of 1790, records Philip,



Daniel, Henry and Peter Klick as heads of families in Albany township. Frederick Klick at that time the same authority, records as the father of four sons less than sixteen years of age and two daughters. They lived in Greenwich township, which adjoins Albany to the south of it.

George Glick was recorded in 1790 a resident of Whitehall township, in Lehigh county, Pa. After the year 1801 the name of Glick is no longer found upon the tax-list of Albany township. The names of Philip, Daniel, Frederick, Peter and Henry Glick, were spelled very often in the old records with a "K" instead of the "G," hence K-l-i-c-k.

Philip Glick is on the tax list of Albany from 1775 to 1794. He moved to the State of Ohio and there his grandson, George W. Glick was born, who in 1883 became Governor of Kansas. He is mentioned later in this history.

Daniel Glick is on the tax-list of Albany from 1778 to 1801. He moved to the state of Ohio, and probably lived in the town of Fairfield.

Peter Glick is on the tax-list of Albany from 1787 to 1792. He moved across the Albany township line to Greenwich township likewise in Berks county, Pa. There he died intestate.

Frederick Glick is on the tax-list of Greenwich township from 1780 to 1788. He was a private in Capt. Ferd. Ritter's Company, 6th Battalion, Berks county Militia, commanded by Col. Jos. Hiester, in the service of the United States from Aug. 10 to Sept. 9, 1780. (*Penna. Arch.*)

Henry Glick is on the tax-list of Albany from 1787 to 1801. In 1786 he was one of the affirmed jurors to value property of John Correl, deceased, of Albany township. In 1788 Henry Klick and Daniel Klick (affirmed) and Philip Klick (on oath) valued property of George Hall, deceased. On Dec. 14, 1790, Henry Klick was surety for John, son of Nicholas Strausser, deceased. Henry Glick was born December 15, 1755, and died December 19, 1804. His will in German, is of record in the courthouse at Reading. His wife, Eve Catharine, was born in 1756 and died in 1819. Both are buried in the graveyard at Wessnersville, as is their son, Daniel, born in 1790, and died in 1800, and John Friederich Glick, born in 1779 and died in 1801. The latter probably was their son also.

(John) George Glick was born Dec. 24, 1749, and about the time of the Revolutionary War he settled in what is now South Whitehall township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, near the town of Cetronia, Pa. He was a farmer and owned considerable land. He rendered his country service in the Revolutionary War, serving for 5 months and 26 days, according to the muster-roll of the 6th class of the 1st Battalion of the

Northampton county Militia in command of Col. Henry Geiger, Nov. 15, 1781. They were in active service. He was also a private in the Continental Line from Northampton county, and drew depreciation pay.

George Glick was twice married, his first wife was the oldest daughter of Peter Herr of South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pa. They had two children: Magdalena, who married Adam Guth and died without issue; and Daniel, born Sept. 6, 1778, and died Feb. 23, 1852. He married Eva C. Steininger, born October 21, 1781, and died October 8, 1857. They are both buried at the Western Salisbury Church. Their children were: Charles, Benjamin, John L., Solomon, Lucy and Florence.

Charles Glick was born February 17, 1809, and died Aug. 10, 1896 in his 88th year. He married Maria Hauser, daughter of Michael and Hannah Hauser, and had one child, Charles B. Glick, Jr., of Cetronia, Lehigh county, Pa. Charles Glick, Sr., was a deacon, elder and trustee in the church and in the Sunday school he taught the Bible Class. He was a farmer and iron-ore miner in South Whitehall township where he lived all his life.

Benjamin Glick moved West.

John Levi Glick married Elizabeth Kemmerer and lived in Allentown, Pa.

Solomon Glick moved to Tiffin, Ohio.

Lucy Glick was married to ——— Hartman and lived in Saucon township, Northampton county, Pa.

Florence Glick was married and moved West.

George Glick's second wife was Margaret, the youngest daughter of Peter Herr. They had eight children: Sallie, Catharine, Susan, Lydia, Hannah, John, George and Thomas.

Sallie Glick married Thomas Mason and moved to Greenwich, Ohio.

Catharine Glick married George Reinhard and moved to Saucon Township, Northampton county, Pa.

Susan Glick married Isaac Gummery and moved West.

Lydia Glick married Leonard Beitleman and lived in Allentown, Pa.

Hannah Glick married Godfried Roth and lived and died in Allentown, Pa.

George Glick was married, moved West and died in Illinois. He had 4 children.

Thomas Glick was married, moved West and died in Illinois.

John Glick was born May 8, 1783 and died August 30, 1855. He married Catharine Schwander and lived for the greater part of his life in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pa., near Cetronia. He was a farmer and an ex-

tensive land-owner. When 70 years of age he moved to Tiffin, Ohio, where he died and is buried in the Schwander's Church yard. They had 8 children: Hetty, Reuben, Nathan, Judy, Aaron, Edward, Elizabeth and John.

CHARLES B. GLICK, JR., of Cetronia, Pa., was born Dec. 14, 1848 in South Whitehall Township. He was a farmer, but since 1874 lives at Cetronia. He served the Cetronia Lutheran Church as a deacon and an elder and in 1886 he was chairman of the Building Committee that erected the present church edifice. He married Emma C. Henninger, a daughter of Tilghman and Judith (Grim) Henninger. They have these children: (1) Edwin C. H., who is the book-keeper for the American Steel and Wire Co., Allentown. He is married to Ella Albright. (2) Mayme E. R., is married to William H. Kebach, of Dauphin county, Pa. He is a clerk for M. S. Young and Co., Allentown. Edwin C. H. Glick and wife have these children: Roderick E., and Emily L. Mr. and Mrs. Kebach have these children: Miriam and Anna.

Hetty Glick, daughter of John, was born Feb. 21, 1807, married to William Jacoby and they had three children, Uriah, Amatus, and Alvesta.

Reuben Glick, son of John was born Mar. 19, 1809, and died Jan. 1, 1892. He was one of the prominent men of Lehigh county; having been a charter member of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society; a noted fruit grower and a breeder of Jersey cattle. He was one of the first converts in the Evangelical Association in Lehigh county, and organized the first Sunday school in his community. He served the church faithfully in various ways and was a most respected citizen.

He was married three times. His first wife was Elizabeth Allen. They had seven children: (1) William W., who was never married; (2) Moses lived in South Whitehall and later at Howertown and Bangor, where he died in August, 1892, aged 59 years. His children were: Allen, Rebecca, Naomi, Charles, Uriah, Emma and Amanda. (3) Hannah, died when a child. (4) Joseph M., mentioned fully later on. (5) John W. was a soldier for three years in the 147th Regiment. After the Civil War, he moved to Omaha, Neb. He has a daughter, Jessie, also a son. He was born Sept. 12, 1840, and died April 26, 1913. (6) Edward A. is mentioned later and (7) James M., is a retired carpenter at Philadelphia. His wife is Emma Achenbach, of Girardville. Their children are: William, Ada, Joseph, Oscar, Cora, and Bertha. Reuben married, as his second wife, Elizabeth Rinker, nee Boyer. She was born at Howertown, Pa., Jan. 26, 1816, and died March 15, 1869. They had

three children, viz: Rev. Henry J. mentioned later; Elden B., mentioned later; and Ella, who was the wife of Rev. James D. Woodring, D. D., late president of Albright College, Myers-town, Pa. The third wife of Reuben Glick was Caroline Desh. They had no children.

EDWARD A. GLICK is a farmer at Cetronia. He was born on the old homestead at the Little Cedar Creek, Feb. 16, 1845. He was educated in the public schools and at the New Berlin Academy; and in 1872 he taught school in his native township. Since 1873 he has followed agricultural pursuits in South Whitehall, farming the homestead of 80 acres until 1900, after which Col. H. C. Trexler purchased it and Mr. Glick continued in his employ for one year. Mr. Glick now owns a farm which was owned successively by R. Butts, N. Ebert, and H. Colt, buying it from the latter in 1902. The farm comprises 55 acres.

He is a Republican and served as tax-collector for four years. He and family are members of the Grace United Evangelical Church at Cetronia. Mr. Glick having served it as a trustee for three years.

He was married first in 1870 to Hope Oliphant, of New Jersey. She was born in 1846 and died in 1879. Their four children are: (1) Sallie O. (m. Charles Strauss); (2) Elizabeth B., married G. Debbitt. Both died within four weeks time. (3) Mary V. (m. Eugene Abel); (4) Edward H. (m. Jennie Rau). He married the second time in 1895, Emma Trumbower, a daughter of John and Katie (Boyer) Trumbower of Upper Milford. Their children are: Ira E., Reuben W., Ella R., and Carrie S.

Joseph M. Glick was born in 1840, enlisted in Co. C, 133rd Regiment, Penna. Vol. Inf., serving four months. In 1866 he settled at Girardville, Schuylkill county, Pa., where he passed the remainder of a busy and useful life. He was an extensive shoe merchant and one of the organizers of the Citizens National Bank at Ashland, in 1875; also of the First National Bank of Girardville. He also was connected with the Girardville Saving Fund and Loan Association, the Girardville Gas Company and the Palace Theater Company. He served as Postmaster of Girardville for 14 years, and was a member of the borough council. He was a staunch Republican in politics. He died May 17, 1894. He married Mary M. Hower, a daughter of John Hower, in 1866. She died in 1887. Mr. Glick married second, in 1889, to Miss Margaret M. Fudge, of Girardville. They had two sons.

They are buried at Girardville. Their children are: George W., a railway clerk; Mrs. Jennie Traylore; Reuben J., an attorney-at-law



at Shamokin, Pa., and A. Hower, who is the manager of the Glick shoe-store at Girardville, Pa.

REV. HENRY J. GLICK was born Nov. 10, 1850, at the head of the Little Cedar Creek, in South Whitehall township. At the age of 15 years he was converted to God and joined the church. He was educated in the public schools and at Millersville State Normal School; taught school in 1870, '71 and '72. In March, 1875, he was graduated from the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, but the call from God was upon him from his young manhood, and he yielded to the clearly defined command; and at the East Pennsylvania Conference of the Evangelical church, which convened at Millersburg, Dauphin county, in 1875, he was licensed to preach, was received into the itineracy and stationed on the Montgomery Circuit. In 1879, at the annual conference, which met at Allentown, after the completion of the prescribed four years of study, he was ordained an Elder, and has served the following charges:

Montgomery, .....	1875-1877
Bangor, .....	1877-1879
Milford, .....	1879-1880
Williamstown, .....	1880-1883
Fleetwood & Friedenburgh, .....	1883-1886
Catasauqua, .....	1886-1889
Shenandoah, .....	1889-1892
Hazleton, .....	1892-1895
Berlinsville, .....	1895-1897
Mohnton, .....	1897-1901
Mauch Chunk, .....	1901-1902
Millersville, .....	1902-1905
Pine Grove, .....	1905-1909
Royersford, .....	1909-1913
Lansdale, .....	1913-—

For eighteen years, from 1889-1907, he was a member of the Board of Examiners of Junior Preachers, and was president of the Sunday School and Tract Society, from 1896 until 1913, when the society was dissolved.

On April 19, 1877, he married Martha C. Kemmerer, daughter of William G. and Catharine A. Kemmerer, of East Texas, Pa. Unto them were born three children: Dr. William Henry; Asher Franklin, born April 1, 1882, died Aug. 7, 1884, at Fleetwood, Pa.; and Martha Ella, born at Catasauqua, Lehigh county, Pa. She was graduated from Millersville State Normal School in 1905, and is now a public school teacher in Philadelphia.

Martha C. Kemmerer Glick died at Catasauqua May 7, 1887, aged 28 years, 8 months and 17 days.

On Sept. 18, 1888, he married (second) Miss Savilla D. Heydt, daughter of George and Sarah Heydt, of Fleetwood, Berks county, Pa.

Dr. William H. Glick, son of Rev. Henry

J., was born at East Greenville, Pa., Aug. 25, 1879. After his education in the public schools and in Albright College, he graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1905. Afterward he served for one year as resident physician of the St. Francis Hospital, at Trenton, N. J. He then located at South Bethlehem where he has built up a large general practice; and he treats all the eye cases of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

He is a member of the Northampton County Medical Society; Pennsylvania State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is the medical examiner for the Scranton Life and the Colonial Life Insurance Companies, the American Assurance Company, the Continental Casualty Company and several other companies.

In 1906 he was married to Carrie L. Gernert, a daughter of Dr. E. E. and Mary (Kromer) Gernert, of Bethlehem. They have a son, Elmer William Glick.

Elden B. Glick, of Cetronia, was born Dec. 16, 1851. He was educated in the public schools, the K. S. N. S., at Kutztown, and the Millersville S. N. S. He farmed upon the homestead for eighteen years. He is actively identified with the United Evangelical Church at Cetronia, and is the secretary of the Cetronia United Evangelical Sunday school since 1885, is a steward of the church since 1893, and is also an exhorter.

On Nov. 21, 1894, he married Sallie E. Woodring, daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Romig) Woodring. She died Oct. 20, 1912, aged 62 years and 27 days. Their only child, Annie E., died, aged 5 years and 7 days.

Nathan Glick married Annie Brobst. They had two children: Uriah and Alvin.

Judy Glick married Reuben Romer. They had six children, and moved West.

Aaron Glick was born March 23, 1817. He died at Catasauqua, Pa., April 9, 1873. He was a prominent member of the Evangelical church and in the year 1870 was one of the building committee who erected the present church edifice at the corner of Second and Walnut streets, in Catasauqua. His wife was Mary Ann Boyer, a daughter of Jacob and Mary M. (Dreisbach) Boyer. They had six children: Thomas B., who served in the Civil War for three years; John J., who also served for ninety days; Jennie A.; Clinton J.; and Austin A., an attorney-at-law, who resides at Catasauqua, Pa.

Edward Glick was not married.

Elizabeth Glick married Edward George. They had five children: Milton, Clara, Rilla, Elizabeth and Edward.

John Glick, son of John, married Ellen Stone, and they had five children.

Philip Glick (son of the pioneer Johannes) had a son, George, born in 1779 in Berks county, Pa. He accompanied his parents to Ohio in 1794, and in time he became the grandfather of the Hon. George W. Glick, Governor of the State of Kansas from 1883 to 1885.

Isaac Glick, son of George and father of the Governor, was born Sept. 19, 1803, in Ohio, and he died in Dec. 1878. His wife was Christina Reidenaur, who also hailed from a Pennsylvania family.

Hon. George W. Glick, the distinguished former Governor of Kansas, was born at Green Castle, Fairfield county, Ohio, July 4, 1827. In the spring of 1849 he went to Kansas. As a lawyer, as a farmer, as a legislator, as a railway builder and as a Democratic politician, George W. Glick did things that have become part of Kansas history. He had been admitted to the bar in Ohio. In Kansas, in five years time he was at the head of the Atchison Bar. He was a lawyer of rare ability, and his quitting the profession was not of his choice, but of necessity on account of throat affection. It was as a farmer and member of the State Board of Agriculture that Glick did the most for Kansas. He was one of the first advocates of alfalfa growing and one of the first if not the first to insist that farmers sow Russian hard wheat. His articles in the agricultural records, published from time to time, through a period of forty years, are to-day most valuable literature to farmers of the West. He advocated corn breeding, that is, getting good seed, and he was an expert on tame grasses, and a strong supporter of the meadow. Thoroughbred hogs and cattle interested him as far back as 1860, the year of the great drought. He was the first to urge the planting of Kaffir corn, in fact, to the agriculture of Kansas, Glick was a Thomas Jefferson. His last appearance in public was at a meeting of the State Board of Agriculture.

Everything in the nature of Glick was Democratic. It was often said of him that he was a Bourbon Democrat, in that he never changed. He belonged to the old school, and was delegate to these National Conventions: 1856, 1868, 1884 and 1892. He was first nominated for Governor in 1868, and was defeated as he expected to be. In 1882 he was again nominated at the convention which met at Emporia, which was a memorable convention. Men of force and national renown were there. He was matched with St. John, who was up for the third time. He was elected by 8,000 plurality, thus becoming the first Democratic Governor of Kansas. His administration was clean and upright, there was no graft nor scandal; and he is said to have been

the best Governor Kansas ever had. In 1884 as Chairman of the Kansas delegation he was the strongest factor west of the Mississippi and was a force in bringing about the nomination of Grover Cleveland.

In his habits he followed a high standard. He didn't swear, drink nor smoke. His likes and dislikes were very pronounced; and his nature was such that he could not help but fight any measure or organization that smacked of tyranny. He had quick wit. In the Democratic Convention in Topeka, in 1894, in a powerful speech he was reasoning and arguing against low prices, when a delegate yelled out: "What about hogs?" Glick retorted: "They always squeal when they're hungry." The house broke forth in a roar. Hogs, at that time were high priced and the Cherokee County delegate wanted to make a point but failed. For thirty-five years he resided in one house in Atchison. The last twelve years of his life were divided between his Atchison and Florida homes. His iron frame and vigorous intellect had now begun to yield to the persistent demands of time.

In Florida he slipped on the stairway and broke his hip and he never recovered. His measure was filled. He outlived all of those with whom he began his race of life and with whom he engaged in early political battles. Besides an awful tragedy came into the family home. His beloved grandson, George Glick Orr, was drowned on the Pacific coast while bathing. "The crowns of old parents are their children's children." This was so beautifully exemplified in the love the governor bore for his grandson. He once said: "Life's worth living to have a boy coming on to be useful in the world." He idolized the grandson, and like the King of old, never smiled again after the Prince was drowned, so there was no more laughter in the George W. Glick home after the death of George Glick Orr, in 1909.

Governor Glick, aged, honored and respected, after being bed-fast for one year and two weeks, a patient sufferer, but with a clear and brilliant mind passed into his reward, April 11, 1911, in his eighty-fourth year.

Mrs. Glick, white-haired, handsome yet in her declining years, is at the old homestead in Atchison, where her daughter, Mrs. Orr, with affectionate and tender care administers unto her. This aged mother with Christian fortitude bears her last affliction with the many others common to every mother of the land, waiting with resignation and the Christian's unflinching hope to meet in a few brief moons the heroic soul with whom she spent fifty-four years in the sacred bonds of wifehood.







FRANKLIN GOLDSMITH.



CHARLES GOLDMAN.

Charles Goldman, superintendent of the Dery Silk Mill, of Emaus, was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1856. He is the only son of Charles Goldman and his wife, Anna Catharine Mathiasan, but enjoys the proud distinction of having twelve sisters. After attending the public schools of his native city, he spent one and a half years in Roskilde Seminary, and then studied designing in Kines art school. Upon the completion of his course he returned to his father's textile mill, and worked for him until he was called upon for military service. Finding military life disagreeable, he escaped from his post and came to America. He came to New York City in 1877. After a brief stay in New York he went to Buffalo, where he heard of a colony of Danes in Corry, Pennsylvania. He came to Corry, Pa., and found work among his fellow countrymen. From Corry he went to Pittsburgh, where he worked in a coal mine for three months, when he went to Chicago, where he opened a barber shop. Not finding this trade to his taste, he began to roam over the country, mainly through the South. He was injured in a railroad wreck on the Erie Railway in 1881, and while convalescing in the hospital, he learned of the silk industry in Paterson, N. J., and resolved to go there as soon as he was able. Upon reaching Paterson, N. J., he immediately found employment as a weaver, and was soon promoted to fixer and then foreman, and soon thereafter was made a superintendent. He now entered the firm of Benz and Goldman, ribbon manufacturers, and continued as a member of the same for four years, when the firm disbanded and he again accepted the superintendency of a silk mill. After a short time he entered the employment of D. George Dery, at Catasauqua, and in 1906, when Mr. Dery erected the mill at Emaus, Mr. Goldman was given charge of the entire plant, and under his careful management the mill has made a reputation for itself for the high grade of its work. Mr. Goldman is popular among his hands and highly respected in his community. He is a member of the Emaus Mercantile Club. In 1889 he was married to Elisabeth Sharpley, the daughter of Samuel Sharpley, a silk manufacturer in Manchester, England. This union is blessed with two children, a son, Charles, Jr., a fixer in the Emaus mill, and a daughter, Hellen, a student in the Emaus High School. They reside in their beautiful new residence on North Fifth street, Emaus, Pa.

FRANKLIN GOLDSMITH.

Franklin Goldsmith, contractor of Catasauqua, Pa., was born June 28, 1850, in Pike township, Berks county, Pennsylvania. He was a son of Christian and Maria (Herbst) Goldsmith. His father died when he was quite small and the mother with her son made their home with the grandfather, George Herbst, in Berks county, where he grew to manhood. For a number of years he worked on the farm and at the age of twenty years learned the carpenter trade. He was apprenticed to Henry Acker at Alburtis for two years, and in 1872, he obtained a position in the car shops at Fullerton. After working here for two years he went to Mauch Chunk where he remained until 1886 when he returned to Catasauqua and engaged in the contracting business for himself. The large number of public buildings and private residences erected by him is sufficient evidence of his success in his line of business. Mr. Goldsmith conducts a large planing mill in which he employs averaging ten men, but he employs in his various business 40 men. In 1885, he built his fine residence at No. 817 Race street, Catasauqua, and remodeled it in 1897. He built the beautiful residence of Ogden Frederick at Catasauqua, using seven different kinds of wood in its construction. He erected about fifty houses in Coplay and nearly two hundred in Catasauqua. The following school houses were erected by Mr. Goldsmith: Fullerton school house of 10 rooms; the Egypt school house of eight rooms; the Northampton school house of ten rooms; the Catasauqua high school house of twelve rooms, which also contain an auditorium 70x90 feet in dimensions; and the Hokendauqua high school building. Among the churches erected by him are the following: St. Paul's Lutheran and Reformed churches at Catasauqua, also the English Lutheran church at the same place; the St. Mary's Catholic church and the East End chapel, also of Catasauqua; and a large rector's house and school house for St. Mary's Polish Catholic church at Reading. In 1907 he erected the East End planing mill which gives employment to 15 men. He and family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Catasauqua, in which he has always taken a keen interest. For a number of years he served Hanover township as school director.

In 1874 Mr. Goldsmith was married to Rebecca Dieter, of Hanover township. Mrs. Goldsmith was born July 15, 1852, and died Jan. 12, 1912. To this family the following children were born: George, Mamie, Frank, John,

Benton, Stata, Minnie, Harry, Wayne and Clyde.

#### GOMERY FAMILY.

Solomon Kumerer, great-grandfather of Albert D. Gomery (as the name is now spelled) followed the occupations of farmer and stone mason, and in 1841 moved to Mahoning Valley, Carbon county, Pennsylvania. He married Susanna Steigerwald, of Lynn township, Lehigh county, who bore him two children: William, of whom further, and John.

William Kumerer, grandfather of Albert D. Gomery, was a resident of Lehighton, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, of Lynn township, Lehigh county, and in 1841 moved to Mahoning valley, Carbon county. His death occurred in 1886. He was married and had two sons, William; John, of whom further.

John Kumerer, father of Albert D. Gomery, was born in Lynn township, Lehigh county, October 30, 1838, and was three years of age when his parents removed to Mahoning valley. At the age of seventeen he began working for the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and continued in the employ of this company until his death, November 19, 1910, serving in the capacity of engineer for the long period of forty-six years. It was when he entered the employ of the railroad that his name was changed from Kumerer to Gomery owing to the fact that another employee had a similar name. His remains were interred in a cemetery at Lehighton, Pennsylvania, in which city he resided for fifty years, and where his widow resides at the present time (1914). He married, in 1868, Anna M. Horn, daughter of Thomas and Anna Horn, and granddaughter of John and Catherine (Blinn) Horn. Mr. and Mrs. Gomery were members of Zion Reformed Church at Lehighton, where he served as deacon and elder. They had the following children: John E., of whom further; Albert D., of whom further; Mary, married R. P. Lentz, of Buffalo, N. Y.

John E. Gomery, a member of the firm of Gomery Brothers, wholesale grocery and fruit merchants of Allentown, was born at Lehighton, Carbon county, in 1872. He attended the Lehighton High School and the Lehigh University, and equipped himself for a business career by a course in the Pierce Business College at Philadelphia. In 1894 he came to Allentown, accompanied by his brother, Albert D. Gomery, and engaged in the wholesale grocery and fruit business, under the name of Gomery Brothers, which still continues. They commenced business with three horses and employed four men, and at the present time (1914) they have twenty horses

and give employment to thirty-two men, a large increase, which is proof positive that they are successful and capable business men. January, 1910, John E. Gomery moved to Philadelphia, where he is engaged in the automobile business, and is also a partner in the Allen Auto Company located at Tenth and Hamilton Streets, Allentown. He is a member of Allentown Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Livingston Club. He married Emma J. Anewalt, daughter of Samuel Anewalt, of Allentown.

ALBERT D. GOMERY, member of the firm of Gomery Brothers, wholesale grocery and fruit merchants of Allentown, was born at Lehighton, Carbon county, in 1875. He attended the public schools of his native city and was graduated from the Lehighton High School in 1893. Later he was employed in the freight department of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, continuing for one year, and in August, 1894, came to Allentown and with his brother, John E. Gomery, engaged in the present business under the firm name of Gomery Brothers. He is also a partner with his brother in the Allen Auto Company of Allentown, which branch is managed by his brother. He is a member of the Allentown Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Clover Club of Allentown. He married, in 1909, Catherine Bittner, daughter of Wilson Bittner, of Allentown. They have an only daughter, Anna B.

#### JOHN P. GORDON.

William Gately Gordan, the great-grandfather of John Percy Gordon, the efficient general superintendent of the Post & Sheldon Corporation, an established enterprise at Slatington for the production of broad silks, was of the nobility in the north of Scotland, and with his family moved to England, where his son John won fame and fortune in the manufacture of silk goods which secured a wide market in Great Britain and the continent of Europe; and the son was married to Elizabeth Prieckard, who were the parents of seven children: William Gately, Alfred, Edward James, Henry Frederick, Walter, and Emma, and one who died in infancy. Of the five sons named, all of them excepting Alfred grew up to emigrate to America, and there become useful citizens.

William Gately Gordon, the eldest son of John, was born March 4, 1852, at Macclesfield, in England, and his preliminary education was obtained at that place. He was then inclined to direct his particular attention to mechanics and he pursued his studies in that branch of knowledge by attending the Mechanics' Institute and



the School of Textile Design. With this preparation he entered the employ of his father in his silk mill and continued with him until 1879, when he went to America with a shipload of special machinery for the manufacture of silk materials and established the "William G. Gordon Silk Mills" at Paterson, in New Jersey, which new industrial enterprise he conducted for five years with great success. He then sold the plant to become the superintendent of the Nassau Silk Mills of the place named which employed 300 hands and he filled this responsible position for six years when the Cutter Silk Mills (employing 500 hands) at Newark secured him on account of his great skill and experience as the superintendent of their manufacturing department and he continued with that large establishment for eight years. During this time the proprietor, Mr. Cutter, learned to appreciate the character and worth of Mr. Gordon and associated with him in organizing and establishing the Bath Silk Manufacturing Co. at Bath, Pennsylvania, for the manufacture of broad silks and continued there six years and since then has practically lived in retirement.

Mr. Gordon was married on February 22, 1872, to Elizabeth Clarke, a native of Aberdeen, in Scotland, and daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth Maria Clarke, and they had three children: John Percy, Walter (who died in England), and Lillian Elizabeth (who died at Easton, in the 16th year of her age). They were active members of the Church of England.

John Percy Gordon, son of William G., general superintendent of the Post & Sheldon Co., which is a large manufacturer of silk goods at Slatington, was born at Macclesfield, in England, on September 8, 1873. He accompanied his parents to America when a youth five years old and acquired a general education in the public schools of Newark, N. J., but subsequently attended the Philadelphia Textile School for the purpose of securing a special knowledge relating to textile machinery and from this institution he was graduated in 1894. Immediately after his graduation, he was tendered the responsible position of superintendent of a large silk mill, employing 150 hands, at Easton, which he was encouraged to accept by reason of his special preparation, and he operated the works for the company four years, when he was selected as the assistant manager of the Lehigh Valley Silk Mills at South Bethlehem, employing 400 hands, which position he also filled successfully for four years.

A silk mill was established at Slatington in 1904 by the Post & Sheldon Corporation which organized for the production of silk goods and when it was put in operation Mr. Gordon was

placed in charge as the general superintendent of the plant and he has since filled this position in a most successful manner, and the success and development of the enterprise in that community is mainly attributable to his skilful management. He is a member of Lodge No. 440, F. and A. M., at Slatington; and of the B. P. O. E., No. 130, at Allentown; and also of the Republican party, whose principles he has advocated with great zeal.

In 1903, Mr. Gordon was married to Minnie Breinig, a daughter of George and Josephine (Heim) Breinig.

#### HENRY J. GORDON.

Henry J. Gordon, son of William and Christina (Frederick) Gordon, was born in Allentown, Pa., Sept. 16, 1866.

The Federal census of 1790, records the names of upwards of 60 Gordons. Samuel Gordon, the grandfather of the person of this sketch, resided in Berks county, and has been married to Lydia Fegely, with whom he had the following children: George, deceased; William, deceased; Lydia, m. to Francis Bogert, of Alburdis, Pa.; Catharine, deceased, m. to Levi Keyser; Rosa, m. to John Care, late of Birdsboro; Sarah, m. to John Schlicher, late of Palm, Pa.; and Mary, deceased, married to a Mr. Fegely.

William Gordon, son of Samuel and Lydia (Fegely) Gordon, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county, Oct. 8, 1832, and died April 3, 1908. By trade, he had been a cigar-maker, a member of the Lutheran church, and in politics, a Republican. On March 12, 1854, he was married to Christina (b. August 12, 1833, d. Dec. 6, 1876), a daughter of Jacob and Christina (Dankel) Frederick, the issue being: Anna Elizabeth, b. Oct. 1, 1854, and died when small; George Wm., b. June 3, 1857, of Chicago, Ill.; and Henry J.

Henry attended the public schools of Allentown as far as Grammar, when he was apprenticed to learn the printing trade at which he worked for 18½ years for John H. Ritter. Afterwards he worked for the Grand Union Tea Co., where he has been nine years, assuming the management of the Allentown branch on July 1, 1900. In politics, he is a Republican, is a member of the I. O. O. F., of which he is the present District Deputy Grandmaster, K. of M., and a member of the Lutheran church, which he served as deacon, elder and treasurer for the last four years. On Aug. 21, 1887, he married Ella, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Trexler) Weber. He resides at 20 North 13th Street, Allentown.

## JOSEPH F. GORMAN.

Joseph F. Gorman, one of Allentown's most enterprising and successful business men, a banker and financier, was born at Siegersville, in Lehigh county, on November 13, 1863. He received his early education in the local public schools, and in the Allentown High School; and when only fourteen years old began working in a rolling mill at Allentown, and he followed the laborious life of an iron-worker until he became of age. He then carried on different hotels at Allentown as proprietor for a period of eight years, but in this time began to direct his attention especially to the real estate business.

Upon ceasing to cater to the public wants as a landlord, Mr. Gorman was first employed for a year by the South Bethlehem Land Company; then, in 1902, he embarked in the business for himself at Allentown, and since that time, he has been very successful in selling thousands of building lots, thereby stimulating building operations in Allentown, and the surrounding districts and becoming publicly recognized as one of the largest and most enterprising operators in real estate transactions in Pennsylvania. He has commodious offices in the Breinig and Bachman Building and employs from ten to fifteen persons to meet the daily demands of his business.

In 1906 he purchased the base-ball park at Rittersville, opposite Central Park, and laid out the land into 300 building lots, which the public appreciated so highly that they were purchased promptly; in 1907 he secured another large tract east of Rittersville State Hospital property, which lay along the north and south sides of the turnpike leading to Bethlehem, and this he laid out into 1,500 building lots which he sold in a short time by the aid of "push" and judicious advertising; and in 1910 he secured a third tract in the same section, called "Manhattan," lying to the south of the Bethlehem turnpike, which he laid off into 200 lots and he sold all of them in ninety days, evidencing the character of his foresight and energetic spirit.

Enterprising men like him in a community are recognized as the moving spirit in building up a slow-going and slow-growing town, and it is commonly admitted in the flourishing Lehigh Valley that Mr. Gorman has put actual force and meaning in the local slogan: "Dwell here and prosper"—more than any other person in the Splendid Queen City on the Lehigh river. The conspicuous, brilliant, and attractive illuminated electric sign comes up to his idea of letting your light shine for the purpose of inspiring and encouraging public improvements.

Mr. Gorman identified himself as a young man with the Democratic party and, afterward,

for fifteen years, from 1894 to 1909, served as a councilman in both branches of the city government, having officiated as president of select council for one term. He is a member of the Clover Club, and of different social organizations at Allentown; and since 1890 he has been an active and enthusiastic director of the Allentown Baseball Club, with his interest in this popular sport extending to the state and national clubs.

He was one of the charter members in organizing and establishing the Allentown Chamber of Commerce, and since then has been prominently identified with its progressive spirit in the substantial development of the city's local affairs of a monetary and industrial nature, and the enrichment of the community. He has also been connected with local finances for a number of years, being now one of the directors in the successful management of the McDermott Boiler Works, and of the Lieberman Brewing Company.

On January 26, 1893, Mr. Gorman was married to Sophia Harkins, daughter of John Harkins, and they had five children: Christopher (educated in the local schools, who died in 1911 whilst a diligent student in the St. Mary's Seminary at Emmettsburg, Md., in the 17th year of his age); Joseph, Jr.; Evelyn; Sophia; and Edward.

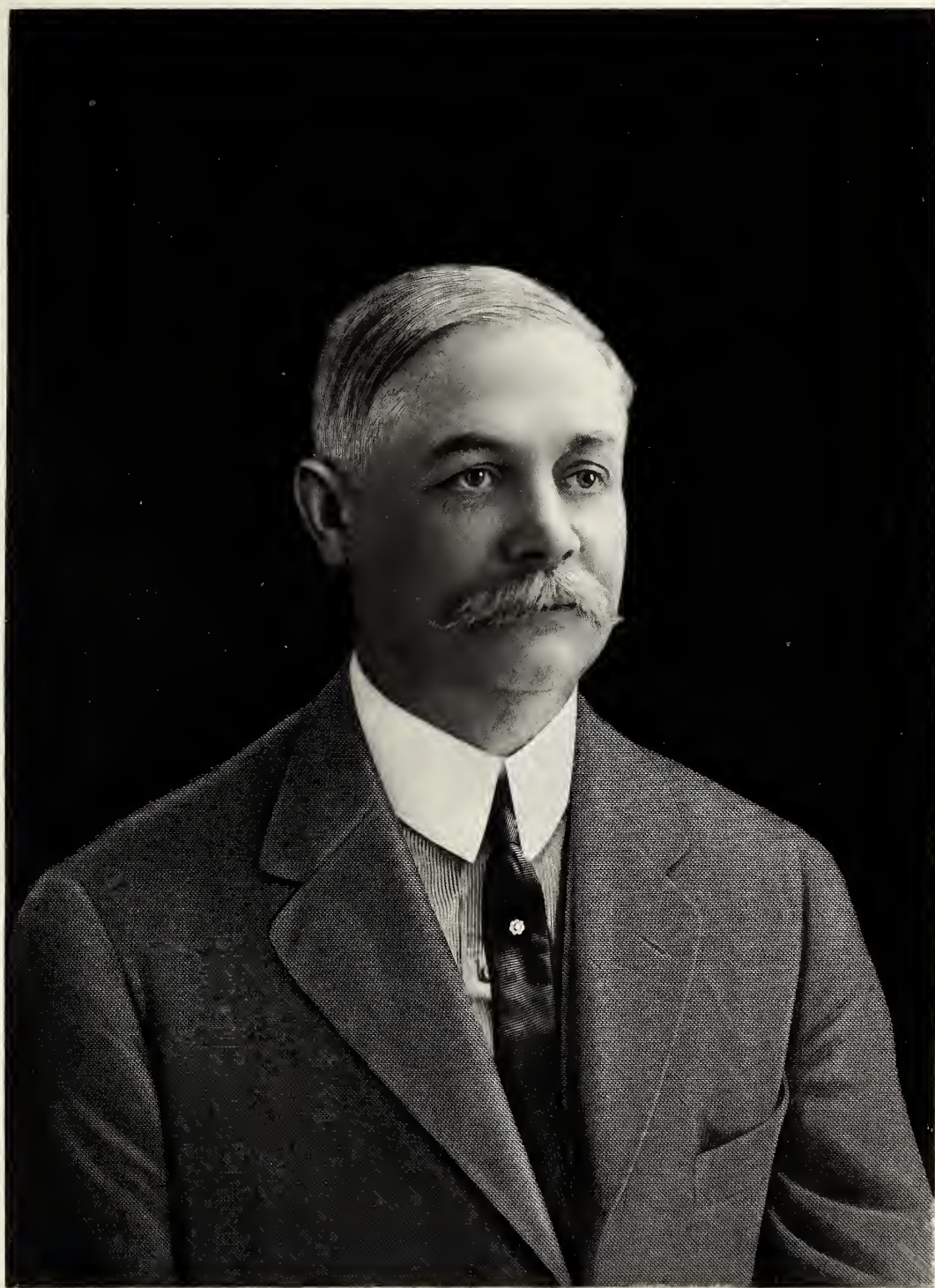
His father was John Gorman, a native of Ireland, who lived at Siegersville and had charge of iron ore operations in that vicinity.

## MICHAEL GOSTY.

John Gosty, a native of Berlin, Germany, came to America in 1871. He located in Schuylkill county, Pa. He died at Freeland in 1905, aged 54 years. He was a miner and later conducted a hotel at Freeland. His wife hailed from the same place in the Fatherland. She died at Mahanoy City. Their children were Michael and Walter.

Michael Gosty, councilman and merchant of Allentown, was born in Germany, September 29, 1869. He was educated in the public and parochial schools in Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania. The latter school was being supervised by Rev. Father Herman Deidrich, rector of St. Fidelis church for more than a quarter of a century. At the age of fourteen years Mr. Gosty began to work in the coal mines. Following this about five years he then learned the butchering trade which he also followed five years. He was about twenty-three years old when he learned the trade of stone mason and for eight years was employed by the P. & R. R. R. on the Shamokin Division. He had charge of the construction of the Main





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street bridge at Slatington, which connects the upper and lower part of the borough. In 1897 he moved to Allentown and the following year in partnership with his brother Walter he engaged in the grocery business under the name of Gosty Brothers at the corner of Fifth and Linden streets where they have conducted their business since 1898. They are also financially interested in the Allentown Grocery Company. Mr. Gosty and family are members of the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. He is also a member of the Young Men's St. Aloysius Society and the Maccabees. He is a Democrat and in November, 1911, was elected a common councilman of the Ninth ward. In 1895 he was married to Ellen Foose, daughter of Thomas Foose, a prominent citizen of Mahanoy City. They have these children: Walter, deceased; Victoria; Julia; Robert, and Joseph, deceased.

Walter Gosty, of the firm of Gosty Brothers, was born in 1871, in Germany. He is a member of the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and is connected with the various organizations of the church, also the F. O. E.

#### JOHN GRAEFLIN.

John Graeflin, superintendent of the Palace Silk Mills; director of the Penn Counties Trust Company, and the president of the Lehigh Saengerbund, Allentown, is a native of Basel, Switzerland, and was born in 1857, son of John Graeflin, Sr. He was educated in the high school of his native city and at the age of seventeen years, he began to learn the silk business. In October, 1878, he came to the United States, and accepted the foremanship of the Rheinania Mills at College Point, N. Y., and a short time later was made the superintendent of these mills. He continued in this position until in 1897, when he resigned it to accept his present responsible position.

He was elected the president of the Lehigh Saengerbund in 1898, and serves this honorary office ever since, having filled the office for a longer time than any previous officer. Mr. Graeflin is also a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, No. 130.

He was married March 31, 1883 to Louisa Schmidt, a daughter of Isaac and Marion (Gruber) Schmidt, a native of England, but later of New York. They have these children: Charles F., who married in 1912, Louisa Bourguenen. He is the assistant to his father in the management of the Palace Silk Mills; Adolph G., married Mabel Hoffman; he is the foreman of the throwing plant of the Palace Silk Mills; and Elsie who is single at home.

#### GRAFF FAMILY.

The Graff family of Lehigh county, is descended from Jacob Graff, of Swiss descent, whose family left Switzerland about 1690 and settled in Alsace. Jacob Graff emigrated to America on the ship Peggy and arrived at Philadelphia on Oct. 16, 1754, with his wife and two sons. He settled in Whitehall township, where he died about 1762. Jacob and Eva Graff had a daughter, Eva Catharine, baptized by Rev. Schumacher on May 18, 1760. She never married and resided with her mother, who after the death of her husband, lived with the Showalter family and later married John Leinberger of Lehigh township. Her two sons were George and Martin Graff.

George Graff was born in Killendorf, Lower Alsace, Oct. 11, 1747. Upon the death of his father he was apprenticed to a shoemaker, and had a narrow escape from Indians on Oct. 8, 1763, when the house where he lived was burned and the family of John Schneider, in the house nearby, massacred. He obtained a good education, a rare occurrence in those days and married, May 1, 1770, Barbara, daughter of Jacob Kohler, of Egypt. In 1772 he entered into partnership in a general store with his brother-in-law, Peter Kohler, at Egypt, and in 1773, removed to Allentown, where he opened a store in a red, frame building, on the southeast corner of Hamilton and Eighth streets, which he conducted for over fifty years.

In June, 1776, he became captain of the third company of the first battalion of the Flying Camp, commanded by Col. George Huebner, in the War of the Revolution and was in the battles of Trenton and Princeton. In 1778, he was a commissioner for purchasing clothing; was elected collector of excise on Nov. 27, 1778, serving until Jan. 9, 1786; was sheriff of the county from 1787 to 1790, and member of the assembly from 1793 to 1796. In 1812, he was treasurer of the Lehigh Bridge Company and in 1814, Burgess of Allentown. He was a member of Zion Reformed church and a trustee of the burying ground jointly with the Lutheran trustee, John F. Ruhe. He died at Allentown, Feb. 2, 1835, aged 87 years, and is buried in the old Allentown cemetery. Mrs. Graff was born Feb. 6, 1750, and died Feb. 8, 1826. They had nine children:

Barbara Graff, born April 29, 1773, died June 4, 1866, aged 93 years, married Peter Rhoads, Jr., and had children: Edward, Caroline C., Juliana, Stephen, Maria B., and Augustus P.

Magdalena Graff, born March 5, 1775, died

Dec. 4, 1847, married John Rhoads, and had children: George, Maria, Lydia, Louisa, Sabina, Daniel J., Mahlon, Diana, Owen, Hannah, and Catharine.

Joseph Graff, born Dec. 2, 1776, died Jan. 27, 1845, in Princeton, Ind. He was a clockmaker at Allentown, and later engaged in the mercantile business in Philadelphia, Hagerstown, Md., Terre Haute, Ind., and Princeton, Ind. He married Sarah Kausler, of Maryland, who was born Feb. 2, 1787, and died March 14, 1853. They had seven children: Elizabeth H., m. Alexander Devin; Lavinia, m. 1831, John Kettlewell and had children: Hannah, m. Hon. Sumner Bullard, United States Senator from Virginia, and had sons: Charles and Sumner; Sallie, died 1889, and Charles, born 1839, died 1903, at Baltimore, Md. George B. and Sallie died 1837. Jacob Herman, b. June 4, 1818, died 1898, unmarried. Christiana, b. May 21, 1824, d. Feb. 23, 1857, m. William Parrish. Catharine, born 1825, died June 16, 1908, m. William P. Hall, of Princeton, Ind., and had three children, Samuel, Sallie G., and Maria T. Her grandchildren are: Paul Brownlee, Therese, m. Charles Smith, and Cornelia Brownlee.

Dr. George B. Graff, son of Joseph, was born May 10, 1816, and died March 16, 1885. He lived many years at Omaha, Neb., where he was Indian agent. He married Margaret A. Stormont, born Dec. 14, 1823, died Sept. 22, 1894. They had five children: Joseph, born Nov. 20, 1845, died May 17, 1901; Robert S., born Nov. 20, 1847, died Jan. 18, 1868; Jane H., born 1854, died 1857; John, who had a son, George, of Evanston, Wyoming, and Fannie K., born Feb. 20, 1858, died Dec. 24, 1880.

George Graff, born Feb. 1, 1779, died June 12, 1837. He removed from Allentown to Hagerstown, Md., and later to Brownsville, Pa., where he died. He married Miss Kausler and had four sons: Jacob K.; Joseph C., of Brownsville, Pa.; George W., of Pike county, Mississippi, and later of New Orleans, and John, of Nevada City, Mo., and one daughter, Sarah Ann. Jacob Kausler Graff, of Terre Haute, Ind., married Mary J. Miller, and had children: Clara A., m. Levi T. Nelson, Herbert J., and Joseph V.

Hon. Joseph Verdi Graff was born in Terre Haute, Ind., July 1, 1854. He graduated from the high school and attended Wabash College for one year, after which he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1879. He practiced at Pekin, Ill., and was president of the board of education there. He represented the fourteenth Illinois district in congress for four terms, from 1895 to 1903, and having removed to Peoria,

Ill., represented the sixteenth district for four terms, from 1903 to 1911. He married, Oct. 5, 1882, Mary B. Crane, of Washington, Ill.

Sara Graff, born July 23, 1781, died Jan. 18, 1820, married Dr. Ferdinand Miller, and had one son, Augustus J. Miller, born 1809, died Jan. 6, 1847, who married, May 24, 1831, Catharine Helfenstein, and had children: Lavinia G., born 1836; Mary, born 1840, m. James Linton; Anna C., born 1843, m. Edward Wakeling, and had a daughter, Katie, and Joseph Miller, of Philadelphia, who had a son, Rudolph.

Hannah Graff, born Oct. 4, 1783, died Aug. 10, 1821, married, Sept. 12, 1813, Tobias Grob. They had no children.

Catharine Graff, born July 18, 1785, died Feb. 12, 1874, unmarried, at Allentown.

Anna Graff, born March 29, 1788, died March 19, 1854, married, Oct. 8, 1815, Daniel Leisenring, and had two sons: Edmund D., and William.

Jacob Graff, born June 25, 1792, died Aug. 7, 1800.

Martin Graff, second son of Jacob, the emigrant, was born about 1750, and died in 1798. He settled in North Whitehall, near Balliettsville, where he owned 180 acres of land and operated a distillery. He served in the Revolutionary War and was a member of Egypt Reformed congregation. At his death his estate was valued at £1,377. Martin and Anna Barbara Graff had seven children.

Solomon Graff, born Aug. 14, 1774, died May 17, 1828, at Meadville, Pa. He was a distiller in North Whitehall, and later moved to Crawford county. He secured the greater part of his father's estate, valued at £867, which he later sold. He married Elizabeth Snyder, and had children: Joseph, of Novelty, Mo., and Paul and Theodore, of Liberty, Ill.

George Graff, born Feb. 14, 1776, died about 1814, killed by a horse. He married Elizabeth Deichman, and had children: Catharine, m. Daniel Grubb; Charles, Anna, Louise, Elizabeth, and Sarah.

Magdalena, born July 9, 1777, m. David Snyder.

Peter Graff, born Sept. 25, 1780, died May 9, 1855, at Balliettsville, where he had a tannery. He married Elizabeth George, born Aug. 2, 1782, died March 25, 1849, and had five children: Augustus and Maria, died young; Stephen; Peter, born Aug. 18, 1818, died April 17, 1901, unmarried, and Caroline, married John Wink.

Stephen Graff, born June 15, 1810, died Sept. 7, 1875, was a tanner at Balliettsville, where he had a handsome residence. He was a director



of the Allentown National Bank and a prominent business man in his generation. He married Mary M. Ruch, born Nov. 29, 1811, died May 24, 1890, and had four children: Ellen J., m. Charles Leinberger and had children, Edward S. and Elizabeth; Martin P., born 1838, died 1895, at Philadelphia, who had a son, Walter A., and a daughter, Estella, m. Harry Moyer; Margaret L., b. Nov. 27, 1842, m. Dr. I. N. E. Schumacher, of Philadelphia, and has children, Dr. Ira, of Reading; George G., of Philadelphia; and Mrs. Daisy Stanford, of Tampa, Fla.; Amanda M., b. April 7, 1846, m. Samuel A. Brown.

Maria Barbara, born March 3, 1785, married a Mr. Kester, of Monroe county.

Stephen, born May 1, 1789, married Eva David, and had children, William, b. Jan. 10, 1818 and Mrs. Hannah Savitz.

Elizabeth, married, Jan. 19, 1823, Tobias Grob. They had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married Jonathan Saeger, founder of Saegertown, Crawford county, Pa.

#### GRAFFIN FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Graffin family of Catasauqua, was a native of the northern part of Ireland, from which place he went to England, leaving the latter place for America, and settled at Philadelphia, where he was married.

He was the father of two sons, John, who settled in western Pennsylvania in 1840; and Thomas, who was born Sept. 20, 1793, in Philadelphia, died Dec. 2, 1860, and is buried at Howertown. When 12 years old he came to Northampton county with a Mr. Dreisbach, who was a farmer near Kreidersville. Dreisbach made frequent trips to Philadelphia by wagon with farm produce, and on one of these trips young Graffin came with him.

He learned the shoe making trade from his employer. This he followed during the winter months, and during the summer he was engaged on the farm. He had a large trade, usually employing five or six men. He was the owner of a 14-acre farm in Allen township, now owned by the Atlas Cement Company.

He was a member of the Reformed Church, which he served as elder and deacon.

In 1857 he sold his tract of land and moved to Catasauqua. He married Rachel Smoyer, of Kreidersville. She was born Oct. 20, 1797, and died Nov. 5, 1884. To them the following children were born: 1. John, of Allentown, married to Miss Jones. He was an architect. 2. Mary, born April 4, 1823, married to William Koch. 3. Catharine, married to Jacob Barr. 4. Sarah, died unmarried. 5. David. 6. Susan, married

a Mr. Roth. 7. Charles, mentioned later. 8. Elizabeth, died young. 9. Jacob, lived in Allentown. 10. Amanda, married to Joseph Reinhard, who lived and died in Allentown. 11. Thomas, and two other children who died in infancy.

Charles Graffin, of Catasauqua, was born in Northampton county, April 17, 1830; was reared on the farm, and when 15 years of age, started to work on the canal. In 1846, he moved to Catasauqua, where he has resided ever since, with the exception of three years, which were spent in Cincinnati, Ohio, Indianapolis, Ind., and Covington, Ky.

For 35 years he was storekeeper and time-keeper for the Crane Iron Works. He is a firm supporter of the principles of the Republican party. He held the office of Justice of the Peace of Catasauqua from 1893 to 1899. From 1900 to 1908, he was postmaster of the Iron Borough, and was succeeded by his son, Samuel S. He is a member of Catasauqua Lodge, I. O. O. F. or many years he has been prominently identified with the M. E. church.

In 1854, he was married to Maria Snyder, a daughter of Felix and Lydia Snyder. Issue: 1. Alvin J.; 2. Robert T.; 3. C. Wesley; 4. George W.; 5. William F.; 6. Harrison E.; 7. John, was burned in the Catasauqua silk mill fire; 8. Walter E.; 9. Samuel S.; 10. a child who died in infancy.

SAMUEL S. GRAFFIN, postmaster of Catasauqua, was born in that borough, Sept. 29, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, graduating from the Catasauqua high school in 1894. He became bookkeeper for his brother, George W., at Allentown, for whom he worked three years. He was in the employment of the American Cement Company until 1900, when he was appointed assistant postmaster by his father and served that office eight years.

In March, 1908, he was appointed postmaster by President Roosevelt, and was re-appointed Jan. 11, 1912, by President Taft.

The postoffice force of Catasauqua, besides the postmaster, consists of the following: the assistant postmaster, three clerks and four carriers. During his administration the free delivery and the Postal Savings Bank was established.

Mr. Graffin is interested in the Catasauqua Charity Society. Socially he is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M.; Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278; Allen Commandery, No. 20; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading; the B. P. O. E., No. 130, and the F. O. E.

He was married in 1911, to Miss Anna B. Egge, a daughter of the Rev. Charles and Julia Egge, of the United Evangelical church.

WALTER E. GRAFFIN is the eighth son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graffin, who were amongst the earliest settlers of Catasauqua, Pa. He was born at Catasauqua on Nov. 29, 1874, in the home now occupied by his parents on Second street. He attended the public schools of Catasauqua, and graduated from the high school in the class of 1892. He was an athlete, having held the high score record in a number of events, and was the pitcher of the high school base ball team. After leaving school he became connected with his brother George in the machinery and supply business at Allentown, where he remained until 1893, having accepted a position with the L. V. R. R. Company at South Bethlehem; when these offices were removed to Philadelphia in 1898 he moved with them.

In the spring of 1900, he married Maude I., the oldest daughter of Cyrus Kuntz, the proprietor and publisher of the *Daily City Item*, of Allentown. He remained with the L. V. R. R. Company at Philadelphia until July of that year, when he accepted a position on the staff of the *Item*, and moved with his wife to Allentown.

At the death of his father-in-law, Cyrus Kuntz, in 1893, he was appointed business manager of the *Item*, and had full charge of the business of the paper until Jan. 1, 1912, when the paper changed hands.

Mr. Graffin then accepted a position with the International Motor Company, builders of the famous "Mack" motor trucks, where he was connected as assistant to the cashier, but in 1913 he accepted a position with the Traylor Engineering Company, Allentown.

Mr. Graffin is a member of St. John's Reformed church choir. He is also a member of the following organizations: Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. E.; Catasauqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F.; Arion Society and Trebel Clef Club.

His family consists of his wife, Maude I., and the following children: John C.; Isabelle L., and William C. They reside at No. 136 North Eighth street, Allentown.

#### GRAMMES FAMILY.

Peter Grammes was born in Macungie township and owned and occupied a farm in the territory now embraced in Upper Macungie. He was an agriculturist all his life. He and his wife Barbara Marks are buried at the Trexler-town church. Their children follow: Polly Ann was married to a Ludwig of Allentown; Judith Ann was married to Philip Haas and they lived at Lebanon, Pa.; Jonas; Aaron was a farmer upon an adjoining farm to the homestead; Asa lived near Allentown and was the

father of the late Lewis F. Grammes of Allentown; and Anna was married to Jonathan Blank. They moved to Illinois.

Jonas Grammes, son of Peter, succeeded his father to the homestead farm in Upper Macungie and there he was also born. He served the Lutheran congregation of the Trexlertown church as a trustee and there he is also buried.

He was married to Hannah, a daughter of John Koch and they had eight children, as follows: Amanda (m. James Marks); Edwin, of Kuhnsville; Peter is unmarried and lives at Trexlertown; William; Jeremiah; Rosa A. (m. Frank Rabenold, of Wescoesville); Pauline (m. Oscar Lichtenwalner), and Martha, deceased, was the wife of Albert Unger, of East Texas.

William Grammes, son of Jonas, is a retired farmer in South Whitehall. He was born Sept. 8, 1842. In 1883 he moved to South Whitehall near the Jordan Lutheran church where he owns a 75-acre farm upon which he built a large barn in 1892. This farm was the Dewald Kuhns homestead.

In 1909 Mr. Grammes retired, being succeeded to farming by his son, Milton M. He has served as a church official and was a school director for six years.

In 1874 he married Rosa, a daughter of Dewald Kuhns, and they have the following children: William J., Clinton D., Edgar E., Milton M., Ralph W., Arthur P., and Emma R.

Jeremiah Grammes son of Jonas, succeeded his father to the homestead farm and this he successfully farmed until in 1908 when he retired. He served the Lutheran congregation at Trexlertown as a deacon and an elder and the township as a school director.

He was married to Mary, a daughter of Jesse and Mary (Walbert) Marks. They have the following children: Albert; Carrie (m. Chas. Boyer); Elsie (m. O. Fenstermacher); Harry P.; Edna B.; and Eva A. R.

HARRY P. GRAMMES, a business man at Egypt, was born at Trexlertown, Aug. 7, 1882, son of Jeremiah Grammes. He was educated in the township schools, and at the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, from which he was graduated in 1904, afterward he taught school at Trexlertown one term; two terms at Fairview and three terms at West Catasauqua in Whitehall township. On Oct. 25, 1909, he became a partner with O. J. Fenstermacher at Egypt, and they are engaged in the mercantile business under the firm name of O. J. Fenstermacher & Co.

Socially, Mr. Grammes is a member of Camp No. 467, P. O. S. of A., at Trexlertown; the I. O. O. F. at Fogelsville; the Redmen No. 97, and the K. G. E., both at Egypt.



WILLIAM C. GRAUL.

William C. Graul, chief engineer at the H. Leh & Company establishment in Allentown, was born May 2, 1857, in North Whitehall township. He attended the public school and learned the trade of blacksmith under his father until he was twenty-one years old. He then worked at his trade for the Lehigh Car Wheel & Axle Company at Fullerton, until 1885, when he entered the employ of H. Leh & Company, at Allentown, as an engineer, and several years afterward he was promoted to the position of chief engineer, which he has filled in a most satisfactory manner until the present time, a continuous period covering nearly thirty years.

Mr. Graul was married to Edna Mohr, a daughter of Horatio and Mary (Wagner) Mohr. They had three children: Gertrude, m. J. A. Best, who have three children, Clarence, Helen and Willard; Nevin, who became a United States marine, cruised around the world from 1903 to 1907 on the United States cruiser Bancroft, and died of typhoid fever at the age of twenty-one years; and Harold, m. Mamie Moyer.

Harrison Graul, his father, was a blacksmith in North Whitehall township and followed his trade for many years, his shop having been between Unionville and Schnecksville. He was married to Sallie Ann Beck, a daughter of Charles Beck, of Washington township, and they had seven children: Mary; William C; Annie, m. Samuel Marshall; Franklin; Ella, m. Joseph German; Laura, m. Joseph Falk; and Hiram, (who died young). They were members of the Lutheran Church at Unionville. He died at the age of sixty-eight years, and was buried in the Unionville cemetery.

CALVIN C. GREIMER.

Shoe manufacturer of Macungie, is a son of John Greimer, formerly of Orwigsburg, Pa., who was born in 1844 and died in 1884. He was a veterinary surgeon and for many years his practice extended through a large part of Schuylkill county. He was married to Leanda a daughter of Frank Music, of Orwigsburg. To Mr. and Mrs. Greimer the following children were born: John, and Scott, of Orwigsburg; Calvin C.; Edward, of Shenandoah; Katie, wife of Abner Lohbach, of Pottsville; and Mamie, wife of Thomas Glennon, of Park Place, Pa., with whom the mother resides.

Calvin C. Greimer was born in Orwigsburg, Jan. 22, 1875. He was educated in the public schools of his native place and at the age of twelve years he started to work in a shoe factory in Orwigsburg, where he worked for twelve years, learned all the branches of the shoemaking

trade. Later he worked at his trade in Mauch Chunk for two years and at Burksborough for one year. In 1898 he located at Macungie, where he was employed for four years by the Reliable Shoe Company. In 1902, the Century Shoe Company, (Ltd.) was organized. The company consists of J. H. Beidler, president; A. E. Moyer, secretary and treasurer, two well known citizens of Emaus, and Mr. Greimer, who is the general manager, and has one-third interest in the company. Their factory consists of a three-story brick building, 30 feet by 80 feet. They employ seventy-five hands and manufacture 500 pairs of shoes daily.

In 1893 Mr. Greimer was married to Lillie Paul, daughter of John and Mary (Leibey) Paul, of Mahanoy City, Pa. They are the parents of four children: Edna May, bookkeeper and stenographer; Ethel A., May 1., and Mary H.

Mr. Greimer belongs to the following fraternal organizations: I. O. of O. T.; K. of the G. E.; P. O. S. of A.; Owls and F. O. E.

GRIESEMER FAMILY.

The ship "Thistle," which arrived at Philadelphia, August 29, 1730, brought the ancestor of the Griesemers to America in the person of Valentin Griesemer. The passport, in possession of Alfred Griesemer, of Allentown, gives the full name, John Valentine Griesheimer, who together with his wife and four children—Caspar, John, Anna Margaret, and Jacob, according to said passport, came from Lampedheim. The passport was given at Worms, April 28, 1730, and is signed by John Adam Hoerens.

Valentin Griesemer settled in Oley and later in Hereford township, Berks county, where he died about 1759. His son, Leonhard, was born in 1732, and died Jan. 5, 1821. He married Elizabeth Lefebvre. Mary Catharine, youngest child of Valentin, was born June 6, 1736, married John Cimius, and died Sept. 5, 1816.

John Griesemer, son of Valentin, was born in 1717. He was one of the first settlers along Cedar creek, where he secured from Jacob Earthman, on May 23, 1738, a tract of 190 acres. He added to this land and at the time of his death owned nearly 600 acres of land. He was a member and one of the organizers of Zion Reformed congregation in Allentown, of which he was deacon in 1765. He was naturalized Sept. 24, 1767. That he was a prominent and leading citizen of his time is shown by the following document from the Easton court records:

"This Indenture, made Oct. 2, 1769, between John Jennings, Esq., High Sheriff of the County of Northampton, John Moor, John Wetzell, Henry Allshouse, and John Greesamere, judges

and assistant judges of the one part, and Anthony Kletner, Jacob Dillinger, John Spearing, Philip Behm, Caspar Bauer and Jacob Friese, inspectors, freeholders of the said county, of the other part, witnesseth:

"That according to law and the charter of the Province of Pennsylvania, we, with many others did meet on the said second day of October, at Easton, in the said county, the place by law appointed for election, and did then and there elect and chuse Jacob Morrey for Commissioner of the said county, for the ensuing year.

"In witness whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals the day and year above said."

On Dec. 21, 1774, John Griesemer was elected by the freeholders of the county a member of the Committee of Observation for the county and re-elected Sept. 27, 1775. This committee, in which he represented Whitehall township, was composed of leading men from each township, who took the first steps leading to independence in the county and who were the leading spirits during the Revolution. His three sons also served in the war. John Griesemer died Oct. 10, 1789, aged 72 years, in Lower Milford township, while on a visit to his relatives. He was buried in the old Allentown cemetery on Oct. 12th. On Oct. 7th, he made a *non-cupative* will, witnessed by George Herner and Jacob Smith. His estate was valued at £2,090 and consisted of a house and 270 acres in Whitehall township, adjoining land of William Allen, Casper Schoenebruch and Peter Rhoads, and a house and 228 acres, adjoining the above, just over the line in Salisbury township, and also a tract of 100 acres of woodland. The first tract was valued at £1,250, the second at £650, and the third at £190. John, the eldest son, refused to accept the land at its valuation and it was accepted by Felix, the second son. The widow received one-third, £692.13.0. The eldest son received two shares and the other children each one share, amounting to £153.18.6.

John Griesemer married Anna Maria Brunner, daughter of Felix and Anna Barbara Brunner, who had only two daughters, the other daughter Anna Margaret having married (first) Peter Lynn, and (second) George Schantzenbach. Felix Brunner, by will, in 1760, left his estate of 274 acres to his two daughters.

John and Anna Maria Griesemer had eight children:

John Griesemer, who, with his wife, Catharine, and children: Solomon, born 1772; Anna Maria, born 1774; John, born 1776; and Eva Catharine, born 1778; removed from the township.

Felix Griesemer, born in July, 1749, died Jan. 17, 1827. He married Juliana Margaret Knauss,

daughter of Gottfried and Anna Eva Knauss, but had no children.

Anna Maria Griesemer, born July 11, 1752, died Sept. 24, 1823, married Gottfried Knauss, Jr.

Catharine Griesemer, born April 12, 1754, died Sept. 10, 1790; married Paul Knauss. They removed to Allen township.

Gertrude Griesemer, born April 29, 1757, died June 12, 1836; married Peter Beisel.

Elizabeth Griesemer married George Blank. Abraham; and Isaac.

Abraham Griesemer, son of John, was born in 1759, and died July 26, 1821. He was buried on the old Allentown cemetery. He served as a private in the Revolution in Captain Reitz' company of militia in 1781. He was a farmer and inn-keeper and built, in 1806, the hotel at Griesemersville. In 1790, his uncle deeded to him a tract of 189 acres, which he sold to his son Solomon on May 27, 1820, for \$5,691. He was one of the first county commissioners in 1812. He married Catharine Fogel, who was born in 1762 and died Jan. 24, 1834. They had seven children:

Elizabeth, born Oct. 19, 1783, married Abraham Bieber.

Hannah, born April 11, 1786, married, May 18, 1806, John Ried.

Solomon, born April 6, 1788, died April 5, 1874; married, Nov. 24, 1811, Elizabeth Butz, born in October, 1788, died Feb. 5, 1830.

Catharine, born June 17, 1792; married, Nov. 12, 1809, Jeremiah Trexler.

Lydia, married, Feb. 24, 1811, John Keck.

Magdalena, married, April 6, 1817, James Gebhard.

Mariana Griesemer.

A portion of the land taken up by John Griesemer in 1738 is still owned by descendants, making a period of 175 years in one family. The present fair grounds, Greenwood cemetery and adjoining land were formerly owned by the family.

Solomon Griesemer, son of Abraham, was born in South Whitehall township, April 6, 1788. He was a farmer and also conducted the hotel at Griesemersville. In 1835, he was elected county commissioner on the Democratic ticket. He was a member of the Reformed Church and married Elizabeth Butz, daughter of James Butz, the issue being: Abraham, who went to Illinois; Edwin, m. to Caroline Keck, late of Allentown; William, m. to Elizabeth Sanders, went to Illinois; Mary Ann, m. to William Derr; Sarah A., m. to Reuben Moyer; Elizabeth, m. to Ephraim Powell; Solomon; Caroline, b. Dec. 21, 1824, m. in 1846 to Albert G. Gilkyson, last of Hoboken, N. J.; Benjamin, who went to



Illinois; and Catharine, who died single. Solomon Griesemer died April 5, 1874.

Solomon Griesemer, son of Solomon, was born at Griesemersville, South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Feb. 25, 1823, died Feb. 11, 1897. He farmed and conducted the Griesemersville hotel until 1874, when he retired from the latter, and moved to the farm (now the Phœbe Deaconess Home), where he passed the remainder of his life. He had been elected as school director and poor director by the Democratic party. He was a member of Zion's Reformed church, which he served for many years as deacon and elder. March 14, 1847, he married Maria, b. Oct. 31, 1823, d. Feb. 17, 1870, daughter of Jacob and Maria (Wiand) Edelman, the issue being: 1. Carl, b. Jan. 12, 1848, d. Feb., 1848; 2. Sarah A.; 3. Anna E., b. July 10, 1852, d. April 25, 1888; 4. Matilda P., deceased, b. Nov. 28, 1854; m. to William Wenner. 5. David, b. March 31, 1857, d. May, 1903; m. to Louisa Smith; 6. Alfred; 7. Priscilla, b. Jan. 7, 1862; m. to Prof. Harry E. Ruhe; 8. Clara, b. May 10, 1867, d. Jan., 1895. Solomon Griesemer married, second, Lavinia Kern.

Sarah Griesemer, daughter of Solomon, was born in South Whitehall township, June 8, 1850; was married to Jacob Hottenstein, son of Levi, May 10, 1875, from which union there was no issue. Mr. Hottenstein conducted the Eagle Hotel, Allentown, and was also in the hat business. She resides at 426 Hamilton street.

David Griesemer, son of Solomon, was born at Griesemersville, March 31, 1857. He was educated in the public schools and Muhlenberg College, after which he engaged in lumbering and farming in Alburdis. He also managed the hotel at Griesemersville for some years. He later purchased his father's farm at Allentown and established Greenwood cemetery. After the death of his father, he moved to the old homestead, where he died May 18, 1903, aged 46 years. He was a member of the executive committee of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society and of the Allentown Board of Trade, and was also a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., Bloomsburg Consistory, 32°, Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F., Lecha Wonk Tribe, I. O. R. M., Knights of Malta, and of Zion Reformed church.

Mr. Griesemer married (first) Louisa M., daughter of Christian Schmidt, of Allentown. She was born in 1857 and died in 1895. They had nine children: Elsie, deceased; D. Frank, deceased; Solomon C. J.; Harvey, deceased; Clara; Morris; Jacob; Jesse; and Raymond. He

married (second) Rosa M. C. Kleppinger, and had one son, Jacob. His widow resides in Allentown. Mr. Griesemer was buried on Greenwood cemetery, with full Knights Templar ceremonies, according to his expressed wish.

SOLOMON C. J. GRIESEMER, a stationer and business man of Allentown, was born in this city March 21, 1881. He was educated in the public schools and later in the American Commercial School. He was engaged on his father's farm until the latter's death, after which he became the owner of Greenwood Cemetery Association. On Jan. 4, 1910, he sold his interest in the cemetery association and purchased the stock of C. H. Schmidt, stationer at 808 Hamilton street, a leading stationery store in the city, where he employs seven clerks. Mr. Griesemer owns a farm of 133 acres located two miles south of Macungie, which he has stocked and farms himself. He is a member of Zion Reformed church, and of the I. O. O. F., Knights of Friendship, and the Order of Moose.

On Oct. 4, 1902, he married Catharine M. Stuber, daughter of Henry and Louisa (Staley) Stuber, of Allentown. Mr. and Mrs. Griesemer have three children: Ruby, Elsie, and Catharine.

ALFRED GRIESEMER, son of Solomon, was born at Griesemersville, Lehigh county, Nov. 15, 1859. Later he worked on his father's farm, and in 1887, he took charge of the Griesemersville hotel, where he continued until the spring of 1908, when he moved to Allentown and since then has been engaged in various pursuits. He served as school director in S. Whitehall township, for nine years. Fraternally is a member of K. of M., Lecha Wonk Tribe, No. 201, O. of Red Men; Hancock Conclave, No. 120, I. O. of Heptasophs, as well as of the Reformed church. He was married, Nov. 16, 1882, to Ida M. E., daughter of Oliver and Alvina E. (Ritter) Johnson. The children are: 1. Orrien O., married to Stella Loudon; 2. Estie E., deceased; 3. Russell S., married to Bertha A. Bartholomew. 4. Olin A.; 5. Ida J.; 6. Mildred M., deceased; 7. A. Earl; 8. Ralph. He resides at 1421 Linden street, Allentown.

#### JOHN G. GRIFFITH.

Griffith Griffith, of Caernarvonshire, North Wales, England, was a slate quarryman. He married Ellen Williams, daughter of John and Jane Williams. They had thirteen children, two of whom emigrated to America, one of whom bore his father's name, Griffith.

Griffith Griffith upon his arrival in this country, located at or near Granville, Washington county, New York, where he worked in the slate quarries, subsequently locating in Slatington, Pa., where he resided some years. In 1906 he migrated to some place on Staten Island, New York. He married in Wales, but his wife died before he came to America. They had children: 1. John G.; 2. William; and Mary Griffith, of Slatington.

John G. Griffith, son of Griffith Griffith, Jr., was born March 5, 1857, in North Wales, England. He was reared and educated in his native land, and at an early age he was engaged in the slate industries, continuing in this vocation until the age of twenty-two years, when he also in 1879, migrated to America, locating first at Granville, New York, where he worked in the slate industry for several years. He then worked in the iron ore mines at Mineville, Essex county, New York, for about two years. He was then engaged about the coal mines at Wilkes-Barre and Hazleton, Pa. for some years, going from thence to Bangor, Northampton county; then in 1884 he located at Slatington, Pa. He was for some years foreman for the Carbon Slate Company. In 1908, he, with Evan J. Davis, William Davis, (his son), and Dr. Jenkins, of Albany, New York, leased a quarry and organized the present Big Franklin Slate Company, which has since been successfully operated. Mr. Griffith is a member and deacon of the Welsh Presbyterian church. He is very active in all church work, especially in the Sunday school. He has been superintendent of the infant or primary department for several years, manifesting a deep interest in behalf of the children thereof, who regard and love him as their personal friend.

John G. Griffith married, May 30, 1886, Ella Jones, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Jones. Issue: Fourteen children, all of whom are living and still at home, viz: 1. Ellen; 2. Thomas; 3. Idwell; 4. Plato; 5. Elizabeth; 6. John; 7. Annie; 8. Catherine; 9. Margaret; 10. William; 11. Ruth; 12. Mary; 13. Jane; 14. Clara Griffith.

#### GRIFFITH FAMILY.

William Griffith, the father of Idwal W. and Samuel S., who are slate operators at Slatington, was born April 19, 1832, in Caernarvonshire, in North Wales, and upon emigrating to America in 1849, he first traveled through a number of Western States, then located at Danielsville, in Northampton county, where he became engaged as a slate operator. He worked in quarries for twenty years, then embarked in the business by purchasing a tract of land, embracing

about 12 acres near Danielsville, Northampton county, and forming a partnership with his eldest son Idwal, which traded under the name of William Griffith & Son. The plant was carried on successfully by them until the father died July 5, 1895. He was a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. and A. M.; also of the Welsh Presbyterian Church as well as a contributing member of the Indian-Land Church near Cherryville.

Mr. Griffith was married to Ann Williams (a native of North Wales, who was born in 1838, emigrated to America when a young woman, and died in 1890); and they had ten children: Catharine (married Richard Gardner, and they reside at Newport, Rhode Island); Idwal W.; Hannah (died unmarried when 21 years old); Ann (died in infancy) Lizzie (married Robert Jones and died at Cambridge, Mass., in 1901); Samuel S., William (died in infancy); Ellen (married Rev. R. R. Jones, Reformed minister at Centre Hall, in Centre county); Martha (married H. Clinton Handwerk, at Slatington), and Charles (who died at Slatington in 1908, and left two children, Elizabeth and William).

IDWAL W. GRIFFITH, was born at Danielsville, Sept. 15, 1859, and educated in the local schools and at the Williamsport Commercial College. He then engaged in the slate business with his father, near Danielsville, and traded as William Griffith & Son until the father died in 1895, when he and his two brothers Samuel and Charles acquired the business and it has been carried on since then under the firm name of Griffith Brothers Slate Co., in a successful manner, giving employment to upwards of twenty-five men.

In 1898, Mr. Griffith and his brothers Samuel and Charles formed a partnership with Granville Hahn, under the name of Hahn & Griffith Brothers to carry on a general store at Walnutport, and since then they have developed a large trade.

In 1904 he became a director of the Slatington National Bank and since then has served on the Board of Directors, filling also the office of Vice-President of the Bank. In politics he is a Republican. He served as a councilman of the borough for four years. He affiliated with the following Masonic societies: Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. and A. M., Slatington Chapter and Allen Commandery, and Rajah Temple at Reading; also with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Slatington.

In 1898, Mr. Griffith was married to Alice R. Schafer, daughter of Edwin Schafer, of Allentown, and in that year he started house keeping at Slatington, where he has since resided. Pre-



vously he had resided at Danielsville and Walnutport.

SAMUEL S. GRIFFITH, of Walnutport, engaged in the slate business with his brothers, Idwal and Charles, was born at Danielsville, March 24, 1869. He was educated in the local schools and at the Millersville State Normal School from which he was graduated in 1893; then he taught school for five terms, one at Danielsville, three at Walnutport, and one at Slatington. Upon his father's decease in 1895 he became a partner of his brothers, Idwal and Charles, in the slate business and since then, under the name of Griffith Brothers Slate Co., they have carried on the operation, which is situated along the Indian Run at Danielsville. In 1899 he was one of the founders of the large general store at Walnutport which has since been conducted in a successful manner under the name of Hahn & Griffith Brothers.

In politics, Mr. Griffith is a Republican, and when the Borough of Walnutport came to be incorporated into a borough in 1909, his fellow citizens selected him to be the first burgess. Before moving into Walnutport he had lived in the adjoining township of Lehigh and when the township high-school was established he was a school director, officiating as president of the board. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and has served it as a trustee since 1903. He was one of the charter member of the Diamond Fire Co., of Walnutport, and served as secretary and president for a number of years.

Mr. Griffith identified himself with the Masonic Fraternity. He was made a Free Mason in Slatington Lodge No. 440, and in 1903 became a Past-Master by merit. He was a member and Past-High Priest of Catasauqua Chapter, but his membership has been transferred to the Slatington Chapter. He is also a Knight Templar of the Allen Commandry No. 20, at Allentown, a member of Rajah Temple at Reading and the Bloomsburg Consistory, Thirty-second degree. He is also connected with the J. O. U. A. M. at Danielsville, and with the Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias of Slatington.

#### GRIM FAMILY.

Egidius Grim, of Wurtemberg, Germany, emigrated to America on the ship "James Goodwill," which sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, and arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 11, 1728. He settled in the section of Bucks county known as Macungie, where he secured a warrant for 100 acres of land on Aug. 13, 1734, under the name of Gitti Grim, a contraction of his name, sometimes written Gideon. On Nov. 19, 1739, he

secured a warrant for 250 acres, adjoining his other land, and land of Adam Brauss and Hans Clinor, and on Oct. 28, 1746, a warrant for another hundred acres was granted to him. He was naturalized Sept. 27, 1743. He was one of the founders and most active members of the Lutheran congregation of Ziegel church. He died in 1761, and by his will, dated Jan. 28, 1760, and probated Oct. 1, 1761, he divided his land equally between his two sons. His two surviving daughters were bequeathed £50 each and Frantz Roth, son of his deceased daughter, Margaret, £30. He is buried on the farm owned by Henry Grim, north of Grim's crossing, on the electric road to Kutztown. His wife, Anna Catharine, preceded him in death. She was an educated woman, and during a storm at sea on her voyage to America, she wrote the German hymn used in the General Synod Lutheran Church, "Nur in Vergnüglichkeit ist meine Friedenszeit." Egidius and Anna Catharine Grim had five children, Jacob, Henry, Catharine, Elizabeth, and Margaret. Catharine, married Peter Merkel and Elizabeth married Caspar Merkel, of Richmond township, Berks county. Anna Margaret, born July 22, 1727, married Frantz Wilhelm Roth, of Salisbury township. She died Nov. 22, 1746, and her tombstone at the Salisbury church, is one of the oldest in Lehigh county.

Jacob Grim, eldest son of Egidius, inherited the lower portion of his father's land, amounting to 245 acres. He was naturalized Sept. 24, 1762. He farmed his land and also conducted a distillery. He had three sons, Jacob, who went west, Peter, who died unmarried, in Weisenberg, and Henry, who received the homestead. Henry Grim, son of Jacob, was born March 16, 1756, and died April 3, 1829. He married Gertrude Trexler and had eleven children: Elizabeth, wife of Jonas Neff; Rachel, born 1797, died 1864, unmarried; Jonas; Levi; Abraham; Solomon; Judith, wife of Jacob Walbert; Catharine, wife of Jacob Herman; David; Annie, wife of Benjamin Walbert, and Hetty, who died single. Jonas Grim had daughters: Lavinia, wife of Stephen Smith, Mrs. Mary Dutt, and Mrs. Elizabeth Croll. Abraham, Solomon, and David settled in Weisenberg township.

Henry Grim, youngest son of Egidius, was born in 1733, and died in 1804. His portion of his father's land was 250 acres. His wife, Anna M., was confirmed at Lehigh church in 1785, at the age of 54 years. He had seven children: Jacob, born 1754; Catharine, born 1757; Gideon, born 1760; Maria, born 1762; Henry; Jonathan, born 1769, and Peter, born 1771. Catharine, born July 30, 1757, died July 7, 1828, married Peter Trexler, of Macungie township,

later of Mertztown. Maria, born June 23, 1762, married, Oct. 7, 1787, Jacob Sassamanshausen. She died Dec. 1, 1844.

Gideon Grim, son of Henry, and Anna M., was born in 1760, and died in 1823. He was a farmer in Maxatawny township and married an Englishwoman, Elizabeth Kirby. They had seven children: David, unmarried; Nathan, of Columbia county; Gideon; Benjamin; Joshua; Hannah, wife of John Siegfried, and Dinah, wife of John Dresher. Gideon Grim, son of Gideon, was born in 1792 and died in 1848. He was a farmer and miller in Exeter township, Berks county. He married Esther Knouse and had two sons, William K., and Levi, who died, aged 18 years. William K. Grim was born in 1825 and died in 1905. He was a tanner, miller, and iron manufacturer, and burgess of Boyertown. He married Loretta B. Rhoads, and had four children: Mabelle, Sarah, wife of T. W. Sabold, of Yonkers, N. Y.; Kate, and William R., cashier of a bank in Texarkana, Texas. Benjamin Grim, son of Gideon, Sr., owned Grim's mill in Weisenberg and had five sons, Benjamin, Jonathan, Gideon, Willoughby, and Nathan. Benjamin, son of Benjamin, died in 1911, aged 81 years. He had three sons, Stanley M., of Weisenberg, Jacob G., of Kutztown, and Jeremiah G., of Macungie.

Peter Grim, son of Henry, was born in 1771, and located in Whitehall township, where he owned a grist mill, now Helfrich's Mill. He married Diana Van Buskerck and had one daughter, Elizabeth, who married James Deshler, and had six children: Mary, Jacob G.; D. J. Frank, Peter W. H., Caroline, and Eliza.

Jonathan Grim, a son of Henry and Anna M. Grim, was born in 1769. He was a tanner in Maxatawny township, and later lived in Kutztown. He married, first, Catharine H. Bertolet, and had one son, Col. Daniel B. Grim. He married, second, Elizabeth Snyder, and had three children: Jonathan, Joshua S., and Mary, wife of Charles Faber. Col. Daniel B. Grim was born in 1800, and died in 1883. He kept a store, hotel and tannery, and owned a 220-acre farm at Grimville, Berks county, and was active in the militia. He married Elizabeth Crouse and had nine children: Daniel P., a prominent citizen of Kutztown; Jonathan K.; Mary; Charlotte; Catharine, wife of William Stettler; Sarah; Susan, wife of Charles Dietrich; Charles A. K., and Amelia, wife of William T. Breinig.

Jacob Grim, eldest son of Henry, was born June 17, 1754, and died June 24, 1833, and with his wife was buried on his farm in Maxatawny township, now owned by Mrs. Celia Grim Butz. He was first lieutenant in Captain Casper

Smeck's company, second battalion of Berks county militia, in 1777, under command of Col. Andree, and fought in the battles of Germantown and Brandywine. He married Catharine Hottenstein, who was born Oct. 14, 1761, and died Aug. 21, 1848. They had eight sons and three daughters: Jesse; David; Henry, who died unmarried, in Philadelphia; Sem; Jacob, who married Mary Shimer, of Saucon, and was the grandfather of Abraham S. Grim; Daniel, born June 16, 1799, died Sept. 22, 1801; Nathaniel, born Feb. 12, 1793, died, aged ten months; Levi, born in 1805, died in infancy; Sarah, wife of John Bailey, of Hamburg; Judith, wife of John Appel, of Saucon, and Catharine, born May 17, 1797, died Sept. 3, 1801.

Jesse Grim, son of Jacob, owned the old homestead of 200 acres in Weisenberg township. He was elected to the legislature several terms, was one of the commissioners to select a county almshouse site and served as poor director. He married Mary, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Herbein) Knapp. They had six children: Ephraim, married (1) Mary Eckert, and had two children, William, and Sarah, and (2) Sarah Morey, and had one child, Mary, wife of Henry Mosser; Deborah, wife of William Edleman; Jacob, who married Mary Siegfried, and had a daughter, Mrs. Celia Grim Butz; William; Allen, who died, unmarried, and Walter J.

William Grim, son of Jesse, was born in Weisenberg township, Jan. 26, 1827, and died at Allentown, Oct. 29, 1875. He learned the trade of a currier at Boyertown, Pa., from a relative named William Grim. He came to Allentown and followed his trade of dressing and finishing leather, until about 1865, after which he formed a partnership with Benjamin and Samuel Roth, and became the successors to a Mr. Hagenbuch. About 1870 Mr. Grim withdrew from the firm and the balance of his life lived retired.

Mr. Grim and family were members of St. John's Lutheran church. He and wife are buried on Allentown cemetery. His wife, Eliza, was a daughter of the late Benjamin Ludwig, of Allentown. She was born Aug. 27, 1830, and died March 4, 1904. They had two sons: Alfred B. and Henry J.

ALFRED B. GRIM, son of William Grim, was born in Allentown, May 5, 1850.

He was educated in the public schools of Allentown, and for a number of years served as clerk in the Allentown postoffice. In company with Abraham Grim, he entered the cigar manufacturing business, continuing for some time on Hamilton street, between Eighth and Ninth. He



engaged in the flour and feed business at 826 Turner street for two years, when he was appointed street commissioner of Allentown, under Mayor Allison, which office he held four years. With his brother, Henry J., he then engaged in the coal business under the firm name of Grim Bros., until he retired. For a number of years he was superintendent of the Allentown fair grounds, being its second superintendent. He built the home on Turner street occupied by his widow. He died Jan. 9, 1909, and was buried on West End cemetery. He was a member of St. John's Reformed church, and in politics an active Republican. Mr. Grim was a domestic man and devoted to home and family.

He married\* (first) Matilda Mattern, who died without issue. On Sept. 18, 1874, he married Alice L. Shoemaker, born in Locust Valley, a daughter of Enos Shoemaker. They had eight children: Elisabeth C., wife of Heber Yost, of Wyomissing, Berks county, formerly secretary to George F. Baer, and who has two children, Emma Louise and Mary Elizabeth; William E., who resides in the West; Jesse Kessler, who died aged 12 years; Florence, married Lewis Bringer, of Allentown, and has a son, Charles B.; Helen L., died young; James Blaine, deceased; Robert J., a merchant of Allentown, who married Hilda La Fever, and has five children, Jesse, Elizabeth, died young, Ernest, Dorothy, and Alice; and Ida, who died, aged nine years.

Mrs. Grim is a woman of culture and refinement, and is a descendant of the Shoemaker family, long known in Lehigh county.

Jonathan Shoemaker, the grandfather of Mrs. Grim, was a resident of East Texas, Lehigh county, where he was a farmer, stock raiser, and land owner. He married Lydia Eisenhart. Both were members of the Evangelical Church. They had one son, Enos J., who was born at East Texas, Oct. 24, 1826. He was educated in the schools of the vicinity and learned the tanner's trade, which he followed some time and later kept a hotel at Emaus, for five years. In 1870 he removed to Allentown, where he was a merchant at Ninth and Hamilton streets and later at Ninth and Turner streets. He died June 15, 1909. He was a believer in the Golden Rule, was a member of the I. O. O. F., and in politics, a Republican. He married Lucilla, daughter of Valentine Wieder. She was a member of Zion Reformed church, and died Oct. 30, 1891. They had two children: Mrs. Alice L. Grim and Ida, wife of Alvin Boyer, a merchant, of Allentown.

HENRY J. GRIM, former treasurer of the Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Co., and a director of the Second National Bank, was born in Al-

lentown, April 18, 1855. He was educated in the common schools and early became a coal merchant and for years conducted the business in Allentown, having yards on Linden street, between Eighth and Ninth streets. In 1890 he connected himself with the Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Co., which was then organized as a partnership company, serving it as treasurer from 1890 until Jan. 1, 1913, when he retired. It became a corporation in 1893, under the present name, Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Co., with a capital of \$150,000. The firm employs 250 people, and manufacture 2,500 pairs of shoes daily, which find ready market all over the United States. The office of this successful corporation is at No. 20 North Eighth street. The buildings extend one-half square back to Lumber street, where it occupies 17-19-21 North Lumber street. The building on North Eighth street is 30 feet front and 54 feet deep, being three stories high. The firm are members of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Grim and wife are members of St. John's Lutheran church. He is a member of Lodge No. 130, B. P. O. E., of Allentown, and the Livingston club. He married, Aug. 16, 1904, Miss Clara E. Sheldon, daughter of Lewis Sheldon, of Allentown. They reside in their fine residence at the southwest corner of Eighth and Turner streets, which was erected by William Grim in 1857, and has always been owned by the family. The ground originally was owned by Jesse Grim, the grandfather of Henry J. Grim.

Walter J. Grim, son of Jesse, was born in Weisenberg township, May 15, 1835. He was educated in the schools of Allentown and after assisting his father on the farm, he learned the trade of tanning and finishing leather, with his brother William. In 1857 he went into business on his own account, which he conducted until 1892. Mr. Grim served as councilman and member of the board of control on the Republican ticket, and is a member of the Lutheran Church. He married Elizabeth, daughter of John and Diana (Fegley) Drescher, and had four children: Ida, wife of Henry Hunsicker; George, deceased, who married Emma Kressly, and had two children: John J., deceased, and Charles D. Grim, a dealer in coal and wood.

David Grim, son of Jacob, and brother of Jesse, was born April 12, 1787, and died Oct. 12, 1838. He was buried on the family graveyard. He married, Nov. 3, 1812, Catharine Knapp who was born Jan. 9, 1794, and died Sept. 2, 1838. They had six children: Henrietta, born Sept. 5, 1813; Daniel K., born May 21, 1815; Seth K., born Oct. 21, 1817, who married Annie Hunter; Debora, born Dec. 7, 1820,

died Sept. 22, 1838; David K., born March 20, 1826, and Peter K.

Peter Knapp Grim, son of David, was born Jan. 20, 1829. He was for many years in the tanning business at Allentown, but retired in 1881. In the Civil War he enlisted as a private in Co. C, Fifth Regt. Pa. Vols., and was mustered out Sept. 24, 1862. He married, Sept. 10, 1850, Elizabeth Kistler Mosser, daughter of Jacob and Salome (Kistler) Mosser. She was born May 2, 1827, and died July 1, 1899. Mr. Grim died March 28, 1900. They had nine children: David, married Sarah Schaffer; Mary Ellen Elizabeth, wife of Wm. J. Frederick; Catharine S.; Amanda, wife of John S. Hartzell; Emma, died in infancy; Jacob W.; Albert P., married Matilda Hauck, and has one daughter, Florence; Rose Matilda, wife of Charles J. Appel, and Anna M., wife of Lewis O. Shankweiler.

Jacob W. Grim, brick manufacturer, married (first) Mary Alice Miller and had one daughter, Anna Matilda, and (second) Agnes Frances Miller.

Sam Grim, son of Jacob and brother of Jesse, was born in 1801.

In early life he was a country store-keeper, in Upper Macungie. The latter years of his life he lived retired in Allentown. His wife was Anna Kline, daughter of Jonathan Kline. They had five children: Dr. Henry A., Isabella, married Rev. Alfred Herman, of Maxatawny, Pa., Louisa; Kate, married Davis Garber; and Oscar S., of Allentown.

Dr. Henry A. Grim, born in Upper Macungie, June 27, 1831. He received his early education in the old pay schools, and later the Quaker boarding school, in Bucks county. He then, for a short time, attended Rev. Aaron's boarding-school, at Norristown, Pa. He also attended Rev. John Vandever's boarding school, at Easton, following which he entered the Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, graduating in 1852. He then entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1855. He then located at Allentown, and practiced here since, with the exception of a few years while he was in the United States army. He entered as assistant surgeon in the twelfth Pennsylvania reserve regiment, was promoted as surgeon, to the fifth reserve regiment. This regiment was with the Army of the Potomac and Dr. Grim was in service between two and three years. Later the surgeon-general of Pennsylvania offered him the One Hundred Ninety-Eighth Pennsylvania Regiment. This was one of six of the Union League Regiments. One regiment was commanded by Col.

Sickles, of Philadelphia. He was with the regiment until the close of the war.

He was a Republican, and served in the school board a number of years.

In 1885 he married Maria Metzgar, daughter of Nathan and Elizabeth (Worman) Metzgar. He resided at No. 147 Hamilton Street for many years, and died there in 1913.

#### JEREMIAH M. GRIMLEY.

The Grimley family, which was worthily represented in the present generation by the late Jeremiah Moyer Grimley, for many years one of the foremost merchants of Allentown, actively interested in various other enterprises, and prominently connected fraternally, is numbered among the old families of the state of Pennsylvania, locating in Montgomery county, in the various activities of which they have always taken a deep interest.

The very first Grimley came to America prior to 1700. Neither his nor his wife's name are on record. The original home at Branch creek stood as late as 1865. They had two children, a son named Solomon Grimley, born Oct. 4, 1730. This Solomon married Elizabeth Reimer, Dec. 20, 1759. They had a son, Solomon, who was the father of Solomon K. Grimley, a great uncle of Jeremiah M. Grimley, was a prominent teacher for forty years without missing a day, also a squire. It is through him that the family history was traced. It was after his death that the name spelled Grimlei was found in Berne, Switzerland. The family has always been prominently connected with the Reformed Church, and is probable that they originally came from Switzerland. The name is also found in England and Ireland spelled Grimley. It is thought that they are the descendants of the Protestants sent by Queen Anne to Ireland in 1709.

Frederick Grimley, son of Solomon Grimley, second, was a prominent agriculturist of Salford, Montgomery county, Pa., where he spent the greater part of his life. His wife was a Schwenk, a descendant of Hans Michael Schwenk, progenitor of the present family of descendants, was born in Germany, 1696; arrived in Philadelphia from Germany on the ship "Lydia," on Sept. 20, 1741. The children ascertained were: Jacob, George and Nicholas. He settled in Frederick township. Frederick Grimley and wife, nee Schwenk, were the parents of eight children, namely: William, Jeremiah, Amos, Mary, Mrs. Trout, Mrs. Hallman, Jesse and Albert. All of the above sons taught school.

Jeremiah Grimley, son of Frederick Grimley, was born in Upper Salford, Montgomery county, Pa. After the completion of his education he



engaged in teaching which he followed for many years, first in New Hanover and later in Upper Hanover. Subsequently he settled upon a farm in Frederick township, where he died in 1867, at the age of 50, respected and honored by all. He was a member of the Old Goshenhoppen Reformed church, in which he took an active part. He married (first) Mary Ann Moyer, daughter of Jacob Moyer, of Upper Hanover township, who bore him two children: Oliver P., born April 2, 1846, cashier of the Kutztown National Bank, of which he was the organizer; Jeremiah M., of whom further. He married (second) Mrs. Louisa (Jacobs) Ziegler, who bore him one daughter, Clara J., of Philadelphia.

Jeremiah Moyer Grimley, son of Jeremiah Grimley, was born in Frederick township, Montgomery county, Pa., June 14, 1855. At the age of three years he was deprived by death of his mother, and nine years later his father also passed away, thus leaving him at the early age of twelve years, dependent upon his own resources. His first occupation was on a farm, his remuneration being five dollars a month, and during this time, although busily engaged, he found spare moments in which he improved his education. In the year 1869 he secured a position in a large Philadelphia merchandising establishment where he remained for two years, gaining a thorough business training. He returned with the intention of attending school, but his guardian refused him the privilege. He then secured employment on a farm, and in a short time saved sufficient funds to pursue a course in Ursinus College. He received a teacher's certificate at the age of 16. For a number of years thereafter he successfully taught school in Montgomery, Berks and Lehigh counties, his last position being at East Texas. He enjoyed teaching, as he loved children. In a letter of recommendation signed by prominent people of Schwenksville, they say they know him from boyhood as an honest, energetic and persevering person. His ambition of youth to become a lawyer could not be realized. He then decided to become a business man. In 1882 he came to Allentown and accepted a position as shipping clerk with C. A. Dorney & Company. On Feb. 9, 1884, he purchased the business he was conducting at the time of his decease. The business under his methods rapidly assumed large proportions, and in the year 1892 he was forced to enlarge his facilities to accommodate the ever increasing trade, and as a result he was proprietor of one of the largest and best stocked carpent stores in the Lehigh Valley. Mr. Grimley kept pace with the times, was prompt in his business transactions and accommodating to his customers. Honesty was his dominant quality and hard work

his hobby. Until Jan. 1, 1910, the business was conducted solely by Mr. Grimley. On that date it was incorporated and operated under the name of J. M. Grimley Company, of which Mr. Grimley was president.

In addition to his business Mr. Grimley was actively interested in various other enterprises. He was president of the Security Building Association, one of the largest and most successful of its kind in the state, he being an active factor in building it up to its present standing; a director of the Merchants National Bank since its organization in 1903; a member of the Chamber of Commerce; an elder and deacon of Salem Reformed church for many years; assistant superintendent of the Sunday school connected therewith for thirty years; and a trustee of the Allentown College for Women. Oct. 28, 1879, he became a member of Lehigh Lodge, No. 326, Free and Accepted Masons, at Trexlertown, and recently joined Jordan Lodge, No. 673, being the second of their members to pass away. He was also a member of Allen Chapter, No. 203, Royal Arch Masons; Allen Council, No. 23, Royal and Select Masters; Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar; Rajah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and of the recently organized Penn Allen Chapter, No. 145, Order of Eastern Star, and the first of its members to pass away.

Mr. Grimley married, May 13, 1876, Caroline Elizabeth Treichler, a native of Treichlersville, Pa., daughter of David and Lucetta (Gauver) Treichler. Mr. Treichler was a prominent miller and farmer. There is a tradition in the Treichler family that their ancestors came from Holland in the early part of the eighteenth century. They settled in New Jersey, but later migrated into Bucks county, Pa., and from thence a branch moved into Hereford township, Berks county, Pa. The large stone house is over a century old, having been built in 1811 by Samuel and Madeline (Wescoc) Treichler, grandparents of Mrs. Grimley. One daughter, Sadie Treichler Grimley Kuntz, born August 6, 1877, wife of the Rev. Franklin S. Kuntz, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Apostles, of Philadelphia. They are the parents of one son, Jeremiah Franklin Kuntz born June 21, 1911.

Mr. Grimley died at his late home, northeast corner Penn and Linden streets, Allentown, Feb. 17, 1914. The erection of the handsome four-story building at 730 Hamilton street may have been partly responsible for his sudden demise. All through the building operations Mr. Grimley took an active interest in the work. The building, when completed, will stand as a monument to the business ability of Mr. Grimley, who

was deprived of having his greatest wish gratified, that of being finally located in his new store. His death came as a severe shock to his many friends and acquaintances, removed from the community not only a singularly successful business man, but a most worthy and honored citizen. He exerted a great influence on the affairs of his adopted city, and this will be felt and recognized for a long period of time, although he himself has passed away.

#### GRINER FAMILY.

John C. Griner, Sr., a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, came to this country when still single, locating for a time at Philadelphia. In his native country he had learned the baker's trade, and this he followed in Philadelphia until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he enlisted, serving for a period of three years, during which he was confined in Andersonville prison and there endured severe hardships. After the war he followed his trade again in different cities and he came to Allentown about eight years before his death. He is buried in the Union cemetery, Allentown. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. In October, 1868, he married Mary Ebert, a daughter of David and Elizabeth (Seip) Ebert, and widow of Jonas Kehm. Mr. and Mrs. Griner had these children: Laura, married to John Yocum, a farmer of Saucon township; Anna, who is single at home; John C., Jr., and Herman, who died exactly nine years after his father, aged nine years. The widow, Mrs. Griner, resides at 816 Chew street, Allentown, where her son, William Kehm, conducts a pretzel bakery.

JOHN C. KRINER, of Hoffmansville (Stettlersville, P. O.), Lehigh county, Pa., was born at Allentown, Sept. 21, 1872. He began to work in the shoe factory when a mere boy, and he continued that work for about twenty years. In July, 1892, he located at his present place in South Whitehall township and there a little later he purchased the Jeremiah Spiegel homestead, which originally was a Sieger tract. The old house on this property—a landmark of the community, appears in the general history of the township. To this property belong five acres of land, and there Mr. Kriner lived with his family for several years and at this place he established a fancy poultry plant, which has grown steadily into one of the largest of its kind in this country. He owns about 1,500 show birds, which he had displayed at all the leading fairs and shows in this country. His route of fairs and shows in 1912 follows: Fulton, N. Y.; Portland, N. Y.; Staten Island; New York City; Chatham; New York City; New

York State Fair; Syracuse, N. Y.; Afton, N. Y.; Vermont State Fair; White River Junction; Birmingham Industrial Exposition, Birmingham, N. Y.; Dundeen, N. Y.; Lancaster, Pa.; Bloomsburg, Pa.; Hagerstown, Md., which is the largest poultry show in the world; Frederick, Md.; Maryland State Fair; and at Laurel, Md. Some of Mr. Kriner's birds are worth one hundred dollars and his water fowl comprise one hundred and twenty-five varieties. He also has one of the greatest and rarest collection of pigeons in America.

Mr. Kriner has won many "Challenge Cups" and "Loving Cups" besides numerous premiums in the different sections of this country. He is one of the best known as well as one of the best informed poultrymen in America; and frequently is called upon to serve as *judge* at the leading shows on the continent. For three consecutive years Mr. Kriner has judged at Madison Square Garden, New York, a record never before made by any other judge in the water-fowl department; and likewise he judged at Hagerstown, Md., for seven consecutive years; at the New York State Fair for five years, and at the Baltimore show ever since its organization in 1907.

Mr. Kriner is a member of the Specialty Water Fowl Club of America, serving it as vice-president; also is the treasurer of the Crested Fowl Club of America; member of the American Game Bantam Club of America; member of the American Poultry Association, which is the largest and richest live stock poultry association in the world.

He resides with his family in the Hoffman homestead which he purchased in 1908 and remodeled it in 1912. It was for many years known as the old Orefield hotel building, locally known as Hoffman's Hotel. It will be observed that his father spelled the name Griner, beginning with the letter "G" and that the son uses the letter "K." Mr. Kriner, the younger, came to use the latter spelling through the ill-advice of a school teacher. He was married to Anna Guth in 1892. She is a daughter of Moses and Froney (Miller) Guth. They have these children: Phronia; John C., Jr.; Lillie; Esther; Mabel; Marie; and Richard.

#### GROMAN FAMILY.

Samuel Groman, the grandfather of Hon. Clinton A. Groman, president-judge of the Lehigh county courts, was born in 1776 in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, and there carried on farming until 1835 when he located in the state of New York. He continued farming for a time, then lived in retirement for a number of years, dying at an ad-







*Clinton A. Gorman.*



vanced age. He was married to Maria Wagner. She was born July 28, 1778, died April 10, 1854, and was buried in the cemetery of the East Salisbury church in Lehigh county. They had seven children: Charles, Samuel, John, Jacob, Hannah, Mrs. Griesemer, and Polly Merkel.

The fourth, fifth, and sixth of the children named, with their families, moved to Wabash county, Illinois. Samuel, the second son, was a farmer in Lower Saucon, married Catharine Gangawere, and had eight children: Charles; John; David; Joseph; Solomon; Jacob; Elemina, m. George Moyer; and Catharine, m. Jeremiah Schwartz. John, the third son was unmarried, and resided in New Jersey; and Jacob, the fourth son, moved to Wabash county, Illinois.

Charles Groman, the first-named son, was born Oct. 5, 1805, in Lower Saucon township, and was brought up on a farm and he followed farming in Salisbury township until his decease, Aug. 30, 1877. He was married to Elizabeth Gangawere, who was born April 19, 1805, and died March 1, 1877. They were members of the Eastern Salisbury church, and both were buried in the cemetery there. They had eleven children: Sarah, Maria, William, Reuben E., James E., Robert, David, Louisa, Lovina, Amanda, and Clarissa.

Sarah, the first-named, was born Sept. 22, 1826, and married to Jacob Blank. He was killed in a railroad accident at South Bethlehem. They had ten children, among them Charles F. Blank, a prominent, prosperous miller, who resides at Sunbury, Pa.

Maria, the second named, was born Jan. 14, 1828, and married to Charles Holman, of Allentown. They have four children: John, James, Anna, of Allentown, and Oscar E., an attorney-at-law, at St. Paul, Minn.

William, the third named, was born Oct. 14, 1829, and married to Amelia Rhoads, of South Whitehall. They have four children: Oliver D., William, Laura, m. Rev. William Cope; and Alice, m. Marcus Focht.

Reuben E., the fourth named, was born Nov. 27, 1831, and married to Rebecca Bush, of Catsauqua. They resided in South Bethlehem and had nine children: Frank; Thomas E.; Charles; Sarah, m. Milton Lawfer; Elva K.; Laura; and Lillie, who died; Mabel, m. Charles Siegfried; and Mary, who is married and resides at Camp-ton, N. H.

James E. Groman, the fifth named, and father of Judge Groman, was born Nov. 9, 1833, and followed the trades of mill-wright and carpenter for many years until some years ago, when he retired. He was married to Sophia Sterner, born Nov. 9, 1841, and they had seven children: Clin-

ton A. (the judge); James E., at Summerville, N. J.; Andora, m. John P. Quier, who reside at Sydney, Nova Scotia; Blanche, m. Robert Eck, at South Allentown; Emma m. William Deibert, at Sydney, N. S.; Wallace C., at South Allentown, and Harry L., at Rittersville.

Robert, the sixth named, was born Jan. 29, 1836, and served three years as a private in the Civil War. David and Louisa died young. Lovina, m. Reuben Scholl, South Allentown; Amanda, m. Henry S. Miller, of Weissport; and Clarissa, m. Edward H. Buchecker.

HON. CLINTON A. GROMAN, president judge of the courts of Lehigh county, the eldest son of James E., and Sophia (Sterner) Groman, was born March 23, 1861, in Salisbury township, Lehigh county. He received his education in the township schools, Millersville State Normal School, and the Allentown Preparatory School; after which he taught in the public schools for six terms in Lehigh county. While teaching he followed the prescribed course of legal studies in the law offices of Henninger & Dewalt, at Allentown, and was admitted to practice as an attorney-at-law, on Dec. 21, 1885. Shortly afterward, he went to Kansas City, Missouri, for the purpose of practicing law there, and was admitted to the bar, but he remained there about two years, when he returned to Allentown and resumed his practice which he followed successfully until he was elevated to the bench as the president judge.

In 1898, he received the nomination for district attorney of the county on the Democratic ticket, and was elected; and he served the office with distinction during the years 1899, 1900, and 1901. His term of service was recognized for his fairness to criminals, though as the public prosecutor he performed his whole duty. In the judicial election held in 1913, three candidates presented themselves to the votes of the county, each of whom was eminently fitted in character and intellect for the high office. Lawyer Groman received more than fifty-one per cent. of the total vote cast at the primary election. As judge he is administering the law without fear and without favor and he enjoys the full confidence and esteem of his fellow citizens.

Judge Groman was connected with the St. Michael's Lutheran church for a number of years but withdrew from it and identified himself with Grace Episcopal church where he has since been an active and devoted member, serving as a vestryman since 1910. The judge is much devoted to his aged parents who reside on a small farm in a neat cozy home in Salisbury township. His visits to them are made regularly every week and quite often they are made on foot.

Judge Groman and his companion in life are fond of walking. Frequently they are seen traveling together in the country, both for recreation and for pleasure.

On April 15, 1890, he was married to Ida M. Gauff, daughter of George and Matilda (Giess) Gauff. They had one child, a daughter, Edith M., who died Sept. 10, 1913, aged twenty-one years. She took an active part in the religious work of Grace Episcopal church, and was prominently identified with the Sunday school in which she was an esteemed teacher for several years.

#### WALTER BAYARD GROSH.

Walter Bayard Grosh, son of Bayard, was born at Marietta, in Ohio, in the year 1852. He received his early education in the schools of Marietta, and afterward in Minnesota, and the Chester Military Academy of Pennsylvania. He was engaged in the machine business at Slatington for a number of years; then removed to St. Louis and carried on the roofing-slate business for eight years as the representative of slate companies at Slatington, in which he was very successful. His health failing, he went with his family to St. Augustine, Fla., and remained sixteen years, when he located at Allentown, and died there July 6, 1909. His remains were interred in the Union cemetery at Slatington. While living at Allentown, he took great interest in the welfare of the St. John's Lutheran church, and he served as a member of the building committee.

In 1876, Mr. Grosh was married to Kate Kuntz, daughter of Henry Kuntz, of Slatington, and they had three children: Florence May, Bessie Marie, and Henry Bayard, all of whom died young. Mrs. Grosh has become a member of Christ Evangelical Lutheran church, and of Liberty Bell Chapter, D. A. R.

#### GROSS FAMILY.

Paul Gross was born in 1735 in Zweibruecken, Germany. At the age of 17 years he emigrated to America, taking passage on the ship, "Two Brothers," which landed at Philadelphia on Sept. 15, 1752. He settled in Whitehall township, then Northampton county, where in 1762 he was assessed five pounds, and in 1772 was taxed eighteen shillings, eight pence. In 1785 he was taxed seventeen shillings on 125 acres of land, two horses, and two cows. He died Feb. 19, 1791, aged 56 years.

Paul Gross married Maria Catherine Guth, and had three children: Peter; Barbara; and Daniel, born Oct. 23, 1767. Barbara married Michael Deibert.

Peter Gross, the eldest son of Paul, was born

Jan. 1, 1761, in Whitehall township. He served as a sergeant in 1781-2, in the Revolutionary War, under Capt. George Trein, in the first battalion of Northampton County Militia. He was commissioned a justice of the peace March 20, 1812, and held the office for 29 years. He died May 28, 1846, aged 88 years, and was buried in the Jordan Reformed churchyard.

Peter Gross married Barbara Troxell, daughter of Peter and Anna Maria Troxell, born Dec. 13, 1762, died June 4, 1834. Issue: (1) Joseph; (2) John; (3) Solomon; (4) Daniel; (5) Susanna; and three other daughters. Susanna (1785-1872), married Jacob Klein (1781-1857), and had four children.

Joseph Gross, son of Peter and Barbara (Troxell) Gross, was a farmer at Siegersville, North Whitehall township. His farm consisted of one hundred acres. His wife was Susan Peter and both were members of the Jordan Reformed church, where they were buried. They had four children: Sallie, wife of William Gerner; Nathan; Reuben; and Mrs. Peter Helfrich.

Nathan Gross, son of Joseph and Susan Gross, was born Jan. 13, 1819, and died Nov. 27, 1867. He was a farmer in North Whitehall township and married Esther Rudy, a daughter of Durs Rudy and his wife, Salome Egner. They had a son, Peter Alfred Gross, who was born in North Whitehall, Jan. 21, 1849. He received his education in the local schools and at Fort Edward Academy, New York, and taught school for a time. Having inherited a love of art from his maternal grandfather, he learned engraving and travelled through Ohio and West Virginia, making bird's-eye view maps of the large cities, after which he engaged in the lithographing business at Toronto, Canada. In 1877 he went to Paris and taught the English branches in the International Institute, founded by his uncle, Charles Rudy. He soon began painting and became one of the most distinguished American artists, famous for his landscape and marine scenes. His first canvas was hung in the Paris Salon in 1883 and his most famous painting was "The First Snow at Nemours." He received high honors and hospitably entertained many Americans and also Europeans of rank at his studio. He remained in Paris for over thirty-five years, latterly at 30 Rue Bruxelles, Place Clichy. In 1889, he married Jeanne Sauvalle, who died in 1907. They had one son, Pierre Albert Gross. In 1913 he decided to visit his native land and arrived in New York on November 15th, and in Allentown on the 18th, and at both cities he received magnificent receptions. Having brought with him a large number of paintings, he left for Chicago in January to arrange for their exhibition.



and died in that city, after a brief illness, on Jan. 24, 1914. At his funeral at Allentown on January 30th, thousands paid tribute to his memory.

Mr. Gross presented the city of Allentown with two superb paintings and gave to the Lehigh County Historical Society an engraving of Columbus. It was his ambition to establish an art gallery and museum in Allentown and his unexpected death prevented his plans from being realized. It is to be hoped that the citizens of his native county will carry out the plans of their distinguished compatriot.

Durs Rudy, grandfather of Peter A. Gross, was a native of Switzerland, where he was born, Dec. 28, 1789. He emigrated to America and settled in North Whitehall, where he had a store and hotel, and was organist at the Unionville church. He was an artist of ability and specimens of his work are owned by descendants. He died Feb. 5, 1850. Mr. Rudy married Salome, daughter of Henry and Catharine (Schneider) Egner. She was born Nov. 15, 1798, and died Oct. 14, 1877. They had six children: Mary, born Aug. 25, 1820, died Feb. 7, 1874, married Peter Gross; Catharine, born Sept. 24, 1821, died Jan. 12, 1878, married Samuel Klein; Esther, born April 4, 1823, died Feb. 3, 1864, married Nathan Gross; David, born June 14, 1825, died Nov. 30, 1901; Israel, of Slatington; and Charles, born 1837, died June 1, 1893, at Paris, France.

Charles Rudy, as a young man, began to teach at the "Schnecksville Academy," where he had wonderful success as a teacher, but, having a desire to visit Europe, he travelled through several countries, and in 1860 came to Paris. Here, a few years later, he founded the International Association of Professors, which had, in 1878, 156 professors and 2,050 pupils. He had a wonderful talent for learning languages, fluently speaking not less than a dozen tongues, and translated Chinese and Sanscrit, as well as wrote a Chinese grammar in the Mandarin dialect. In 1866, he travelled through Central Asia, where he was regarded almost as a demigod by the natives for his translations of their sacred books, and orations and processions were held in his honor. He was a Fellow of the French Academy. He married, in 1867, Fraulein Notzen, but had no children.

Reuben Gross, son of Joseph and Susan Gross, was born on his father's homestead. He followed farming and after the death of his father, succeeded to the homestead. His wife was Mary Keck, a daughter of James Keck. They had four children: Catharine, wife of Morris Michael; Milton J.; Edwin J.; and Lillie, wife of Harvey Reichard.

Milton J. Gross, son of Reuben and Mary (Keck) Gross, and a citizen of Allentown, was

born on the Gross homestead, Aug. 27, 1856. He worked on the homestead until after his marriage and then removed to Saegersville and was there employed in the ore mines for nine years at a salary of \$.75 per day. Later he moved to Kernsville and there worked on a farm for eight years.

He married, first, Mary Kerchner, daughter of Charles and Julia (Weida) Kerchner. She died in 1895, aged 31 years. They had four sons and one daughter: Reuben; Carrie, wife of Edwin Bartholomew; Edwin J.; Harry, of Philadelphia; and William, of Allentown. He married, second, Annie Moyer, daughter of Benjamin F. and Amanda (Dengler) Moyer. No issue.

EDWIN J. GROSS, son of Reuben and Mary Gross, and a baker of Slatedale, was born at Kernsville, June 26, 1881. At the age of 14 years he learned the baker's trade and has followed it since. He was employed at Hellertown, Allentown and Danielsville, and in March, 1901, he removed to Slatedale. On Jan. 15, 1910, he engaged in business for himself, and now employs six people and operates double teams. He is a member of the following organizations: P. O. S. of A., of which he is past president; the Order of Red Men, of Slatedale; and the Knights of Friendship, of Slatington. He and his family are members of the Reformed Church.

In November, 1901, Mr. Gross was married to Dora Weiss, daughter of Catherine Weiss. They had two children: Earl M., and Catherine N.

John Gross, son of Peter and Barbara (Troxell) Gross was born on Dec. 3, 1798, and died Nov. 3, 1884. In the early 40's he operated the American Hotel at Allentown, subsequently residing in Salisbury township, where the Home of the Good Shepherd is now located. He married Elizabeth Deshler. Their son, Horace Gross, was born May 10, 1828, and died Aug. 16, 1899, at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Other children were: Thomas, Mrs. Edward Kern, and Mrs. Dr. Frank Martin.

Solomon Gross, son of Peter and Barbara Gross, was at one time publisher of the *Lecha Patriot*. He married Hannah Guth, and their daughter, Sarah, married Samuel Leith.

Daniel Gross, son of Peter and Barbara (Troxell) Gross, was a hatter and farmer, and lived in North Whitehall township, about two miles south of Schnecksville. He had several farms, comprising fully 200 acres, and aside from this he was a maker of woolen hats. He was buried at Jordan Reformed church. His wife was Catharine, a daughter of Jacob Kuntz, Esq. Their children were: Jonathan; Joel; Peter; Rev. Simon K., who was at the Chicago Exposition in 1893, and there fell from a trolley car, dying

from the resultant injury; Carolina, married Henry Jacob; Lucy, married Tilghman Arner, of Carbon county; Catharine, married Tilghman Mertz; Deborah, married Nathan Schaeffer; and Elizabeth, married William Gernert.

Joel Gross, second son of Daniel and Catherine Gross, was born Jan. 15, 1810. He owned 60 acres of land and was also for forty years a merchant of Schnecksville, in partnership with his brother, Peter. The business was established by a Mr. Deibert. Mr. Gross was a Republican in politics and served as school director and also postmaster of Schnecksville. He was a member of the Evangelical Church. In 1874 he retired and moved to Allentown and resided on Hamilton street, near Tenth. He died Aug. 23, 1891, and was buried in Allentown. His wife was Diana Fetherolf, born Sept. 25, 1823, and died Jan. 27, 1896, daughter of Philip Fetherolf and his second wife. Mr. and Mrs. Gross had these children: Henry D.; William C., a successful attorney, who died in Philadelphia; and Thomas F., Esq., who has offices in the Hale building, 1328 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

HENRY D. GROSS, justice of the peace and merchant of Schnecksville, was born Dec. 2, 1849. He attended the public schools, Schnecksville Academy, under the tutorship of Professor Chas. Rudy; Fort Edward Seminary, located on the Hudson; and Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Pa. At the age of 18 years he began clerking for his father in the general store and continued there until 1874, at which time he became notary public and followed surveying. In 1882 he was elected justice of the peace and has held that office since continually, being one of the oldest justices in the county. In 1890 he purchased the property and store of William S. Baer, at Schnecksville, and has since conducted it. He has also been postmaster there since 1890. In 1904 he admitted his son, Oliver J., as a partner, under the name of William D. Gross & Son. He also owns hotel property, which he leases.

For some years he owned the homestead of his great-grandfather, Peter Gross, but sold it in 1909 to William Semmel. He is a director of the Second National Bank since 1889 and of the Allentown Trust Company since its organization in 1907.

He is a member of the Reformed church at Unionville, where he held the offices of deacon and elder and now holds the office of trustee. In 1873 he was married to Louisa Hunsicker, daughter of Gideon and Sallie (Smith) Hunsicker. They have a son, Oliver J., who married Adaro Hausman.

Peter Gross, third son of Daniel, was born July 10, 1816, and died April 24, 1896. He

became a merchant and landlord at Schnecksville, was justice of the peace for 15 years and president of the National Bank of Slatington. He married Mary Rudy, and had one son, Joseph P. Gross, who was born Nov. 21, 1850, and died in Germantown, Dec. 21, 1885. He graduated with honors at Dickinson College, became an attorney-at-law, and was the author of two works on legal topics.

#### MALCOLM GROSS.

This family is of German origin, and is descended from one of several brothers, who settled in Pennsylvania between 1750 and 1760.

John Henry Gross was a resident of Allentown, as early as 1773. His wife, Anna Eva, was born in 1737, and died in 1817. Among their children were two sons, Jacob and Henry. Charles Gross, said to be a descendant of this family, was elected a recorder of deeds in 1854, and died in office in 1856. He married Lydia Engelman and had five children: George T.; Wilson H., born June 23, 1845, died Oct. 1, 1912; Solomon; Amanda; and Mrs. William H. Nonemacher.

Hon. George Tilghman Gross was born in Allentown, Dec. 24, 1831.

At an early age he learned the printer's trade, under James W. Wilson. He became an educator in the public schools of his native city. In 1856 he succeeded his father as recorder of deeds, holding the office for three years. In 1874 he was elected a member of the state legislature and re-elected in 1876, serving four years.

In 1885 he was appointed postmaster of Allentown, during President Cleveland's administration, serving his full term.

On Sept. 10, 1861 he enlisted for three years in Company I, 47th Pennsylvania Regiment, under Captain Keck, and was discharged on account of disability, after eleven months' service, July 30, 1862, on surgeon's certificate, and he then returned home.

In 1866 he became an assessor and served in that capacity nearly three years. He was then appointed prison inspector by Judge Longnecker in 1872, serving three years; was also a court crier for two years, when he resigned to enter into partnership with Mr. Schlough, in the wholesale liquor business, which he followed for several years.

He was a Democrat, and during the Horace Greeley campaign, was chairman of the state committee; also served in like capacity in 1880, during the Hancock campaign. He was a member of the Masonic Order; of G. A. R. Post; of the Royal Arcanum and Red Men.

Hon. George T. Gross married, Dec. 12,



1871, Elizabeth Weikel, daughter of David and Sarah (Horwish) Weikel. He died Feb. 5, 1904. Mrs. Gross still resides in Allentown, and is a member of the Reformed Church. They were the parents of one son, Malcolm Gross.

Malcolm Gross, the present city solicitor, was born in Allentown, and was educated in the public and high schools, and Muhlenberg College, of Allentown, taking the degree of M.A., in the class of 1894. He then entered the law office of Judge Harvey, remaining until 1899, when he was admitted to the bar. He served one term as register of wills of Lehigh county, and later the city council elected him city solicitor, which office he now holds.

He married Mabel Yost, daughter of John H. Yost, and has children: John T. and Elizabeth Viola Gross.

#### GROSSART FAMILY.

Phillip and Elizabeth K. Grossart, were the parents of the following: Lewis J. H. Grossart, Annie E. Grossart, Charles W. Grossart, Bertha K. Grossart, and Orlando P. Grossart, all surviving them with the exception of Orlando P., who died in 1887.

Philip Grossart was born in St. Goar, Rhine, Germany, on Jan. 22, 1838, being a son of Sebastian and Catharine Grossart.

There is no exact knowledge of the time of the death of Sebastian Grossart, but Catharine Grossart died at Coblenz, Germany, on Oct. 31, 1876. Philip Grossart had one brother, Henry Grossart, born in 1834, who died at St. Goar, on Oct. 22, 1906, and one sister, Kate Grossart, who was married to Charles Faebicky, who died at Coblenz, Germany, on April 16, 1894.

Jacob Grossart, of Trier on the Mosel, was the father of Frederic W. Grossart, born Aug. 11, 1841, died at Washington, D. C., Jan. 22, 1900, and is buried in Arlington National cemetery, and of Augustus Grossert, of Trier, and of Carl Grossart, of Mühlhausen, Alsace, and of one sister—who we believe, died, at the age of twenty years. From apparently reliable sources we learn that the family originally lived along the River Rhone, in France, and that they were all engaged in the tanning of white leather, being forced to locate along the Rhine in Germany, on account of religious disturbances.

Philip Grossart learned the trade of baker at his father's place of business in St. Goar, and after serving his time as apprentice he followed his occupation successively at Berlin, Trier, Hamburg, St. Petersburg, Paris, Liverpool, and London, emigrating into America on or about Aug. 11, 1863. He saw service in the Civil

War, being attached to regimental headquarters, being wounded at City Point, Va., receiving treatment for these wounds first in the field and afterwards at the hospital at Washington, D. C. When he was cured of these wounds he had employment at the city of Washington, D. C., and later on at Egg Harbor City, N. J., where he was in business as a baker and where he married Elizabeth Kunigunde Schmidt, the mother of the family named above. He died at Allentown, Dec. 21, 1904.

Elizabeth Kunigunde Schmidt was the daughter of Joseph and Margaret Schmidt, and was born in Baltimore, Md., on March 3, 1845, her parents emigrating to America from Binggarten, Bavaria. She died July 1, 1904. She had one brother, John Schmidt, who died at Patapsco, Carroll county, Md., in 1906. Margaret Schmidt afterwards married Henry Michelman and died at Allentown, May 23, 1890, and is buried at Allentown.

Joseph Schmidt died at Baltimore on July 19, 1856.

LEWIS JOHN HENRY GROSSART, C.E., the civil engineer with offices at No. 423 Commonwealth building, Allentown, Pa., and in the post-office building at Bethlehem, Pa., was born at Egg Harbor City, N. J., Sept. 20, 1866, and has resided in the city of Allentown since 1869, when his parents took up their residence here after living at Corry, Pennsylvania.

He is the first son of the late Phillip Grossart and Elizabeth K. Grossart, *nee* Schmidt, one of the early families of the First ward, Allentown, but who later on built and resided in the homestead at the corner of Fourth and Liberty streets, where they spent the remainder of their days, and it is this home where this son now resides. While serving as city engineer of Allentown, Mr. Grossart married Carolin Ashley Moore, of Delano, Schuylkill county, Pa., on Sept. 7, 1893. Their union has been blessed with two children, a son, L. Phaon Grossart, born July 30, 1894, and a daughter, Katrine Louise Grossart, born Oct. 1, 1905.

Mr. Grossart attended the public schools of Allentown, graduating from the Allentown high school, June 20, 1882.

During the summer vacations he studied German in the private school conducted by Rev. G. F. Gardner, at St. Peter's Lutheran church, in the First ward. He entered Lehigh University at South Bethlehem, in September, 1882, and received the degree of civil engineer on June 24, 1886, and having maintained a rank in scholarship in the first fourth of his class during his collegiate course he was honored by an election to the Tau Beta Pi Association, Alpha Chapter.

This honorary society was founded at Lehigh University by Prof. E. H. Williams, Jr., and corresponds to the Phi Beta Kappa society, the latter being a classical society, while the Tau Beta Pi being a technical society.

Prior to his graduation from Lehigh University he spent three summer vacations by serving in various capacities on the primary triangulation of the state of Pennsylvania, the field operations being conducted by the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, in Lehigh, Carbon, Schuylkill, Lebanon, and Dauphin counties.

After graduation at Lehigh University he immediately took up regular employment with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company on the construction of the branch railroad leading from Pottsville to Hazleton, with headquarters at Delano, Pa., and when this construction was ended he spent some time on track valuation work into the collieries on the Mahanoy division of the L. V. R. R. He then was assigned to the engineer corps on the preliminary location and later on final location of the mountain cut-off from Fairview to Avoca, afterwards to location work from South Plainfield to Roselle, N. J., then on the line from Freemansburg to Philadelphia, and the line from Van Ettenville to Geneva, N. Y. Leaving the service of the Lehigh Valley he filled the position of instructor in the department of civil engineering at Lehigh University. While serving in this capacity he was elected borough engineer of Bethlehem, Pa., which office he held until April, 1891, during which time he acted as engineer for the boroughs of West Bethlehem, and of Hellertown, Pa. He was elected city engineer of Allentown, in May, 1891, and served one term until May, 1894. From September, 1894 to January, 1902, he acted as engineer of construction for the Atlas Portland Cement Co., on the construction of the cement plants at Northampton, Pa., and then as superintendent of construction for Milliken Bros., of 11 Broadway, New York City, at Tremley Point, N. J., at Plainfield, N. J., and at Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island, and since July, 1903, has resumed the practice of civil engineering at Allentown and Bethlehem, and is now serving the towns of Northampton, Catasauqua, and Hellertown, as their town engineer.

Mr. Grossart is a member of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, F. & A. M., member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, member of the Pennsylvania German Society, the Lehigh County Historical Society, and of the American Road Builders' Association.

He has a wide experience in the construction of foundations, for bridges, buildings, and machinery, the construction of water works and

sewers, the building of docks, piers, and pile driving at tide-water, and on the construction of cement plants and their equipment.

Latterly he has devoted his attention to municipal improvements of all classes and is still in active control of a large clientele and corporation work which brings him in constant touch with cases of large import.

He is a man of clean habits, high ambitions, and recognized ability. His tastes are strongly domestic, and he is extremely fond of his home and fireside.

Mrs. Grossart is a daughter of John S. Moore and the late Katharine Fritz Moore, formerly of Delano, Pa., but who have resided at No. 622 North Sixth street since 1900. She has two sisters, one Mrs. Ria H. Pursell, of 622 North Sixth street, Allentown, and Mrs. H. B. Rosenberger, of Doylestown, Pa.

CHARLES W. GROSSART, a surveyor and engineer of Allentown, is a native citizen and was born in the First ward, in February, 1870. His early education was obtained in the public schools of Allentown. At the age of 18 years he was employed for some time under A. W. Steadman, chief engineer of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., on engineering and location work through Sullivan county, Pa., on the Southern Central R. R. between Sayre and North Fairhaven, N. Y., and on the Peach Bottom & Delta R. R. between Baltimore and York, Pa. When he returned he entered the employ of Col. S. D. Lehr, as assistant engineer and remained with him eleven years, attending and assisting in every detail of the work which was of the kind that brings out every ability of a young man, namely the construction of the Allentown & Bethlehem Rapid Transit Company, from Allentown to Bethlehem, and from Allentown to Catasauqua; the Lehigh Valley Traction Company from Allentown to Catasauqua, and Northampton and to South Bethlehem; the Bethlehem & Nazareth Street Railway, and the Allentown & Kutztown Electric Railway, which included the erecting and constructing of power houses, car barns, and bridges.

In 1901, he decided to undertake the struggle for himself and with industry and hard work soon acquired position in his profession. He contracted and laid 16,000 feet of 16-inch water mains at East Orange, N. J., and completed a sanitary sewer at Plainfield, N. J.; built a \$30,000 sanitarium and storm water sewer at Wilkes-Barre; built the trolley line between Walnutport and Danielsville, which included the power house and car barn, and made the preliminary surveys for the Franklin and Towamensing Street Railway Company.



He surveyed and laid the lines for the borough of North Catasauqua, made its maps and profiles and has been borough engineer since, has been borough engineer of Coplay the last seven years, and is borough engineer of Walnutport, since its creation.

He has made plans and supervised the construction of numerous dwellings, mills and fire houses, including the Keystone Textile Silk Mill, South Allentown; the A. R. Cressman Sons' cigar factory in this city; the town hall and fire house in Catasauqua; the engine house for the Diamond Fire at Walnutport, and a school house at Pennsville, Northampton county. At such work the every-day duties of a competent engineer and surveyor, he is particularly adept.

He also surveyed the deer and buffalo park owned by Col. Harry C. Trexler, containing 2,000 acres, and the Hickory Run tract owned by Col. H. C. Trexler and George H. Hardner, which has 11,000 acres of woodland.

Several county bridges have been erected under his supervision in Lehigh county. He is a member of the Democratic party.

Mr. Grossart was married, in 1893, to Emma S. Keenly, daughter of Peter and Mary (Kuder) Keenly, who was a saddler at Macungie, Pa. They have an only daughter, Aileene E. Grossart.

#### GROSSCUP FAMILY.

Charles C. Grosscup was a native of Chester county, Pennsylvania. He was born in 1828, and when a young man he learned the tailor trade, settling in Bridgeton, N. J., in 1851. He was a stranger to that town, with no money and no friends, but in a comparatively short time he acquired property and distinction and was recognized as one of the leading citizens and business men. In the spring of 1855 he purchased what is now known as the Grosscup block, at the northeast corner of Commerce and Laurel streets. Progressive business men considered his purchase hazardous and foolhardy. He had the first curbing set in Bridgeton and in 1856 he put up the "Old Familiar Grosscup Corner," which is now the very heart of Bridgeton.

Mr. Grosscup has figured in some of the leading enterprises of his county, having aided materially in the construction of the West Jersey and New Jersey Southern railway entering Bridgeton; was for a number of years director and treasurer of the Cumberland County Steamboat Company, and for a score of years treasurer of the Bridgton Savings Fund and Building Association of his city. He was, moreover, prominently identified with many leading enterprises; was the heaviest contributor and backer of Pearl

Street Baptist Church. He was solicited by his fellow citizens to represent them from township committeeman to a member of the U. S. Congress. In 1869 he was elected City Treasurer, being the first Democrat to be elected to the position, and in the fall of the same year he was elected a member of the State Legislature and the following term was re-elected. In 1872 he was a candidate for State Senator, and narrowly missed an election in an overwhelming Republican stronghold. In 1874 he was a member of City Council and although that body was strongly Republican he was made president of council, a position he held for three years.

Mr. Grosscup, for fifty years, was one of the very foremost business men and citizens of his city. He died in 1899, aged 71 years. His wife was Anna D. Haires. Their children are: William H. and Charles E., of New York City; Frank K., a real estate operator, Oakland, Cal.; Edward E., Frederick V., Allen H., and Barron P., of Ingott, Cal.

Edward E. Grosscup, son of Charles C., is the present Democratic chairman of the state of New Jersey and was most active before the Baltimore convention in the nomination of Governor Woodrow Wilson for president of the United States. He was born in Bridgeton, New Jersey, and for a number of years was engaged in business in that city, later he and his brother, Allen H., were engaged extensively in the real estate business. He is one of the prominent men of his state.

ALLEN H. GROSSCUP, of Allentown, Pa., is the senior member of the firm of Grosscup & Son. He was born in Bridgeton, N. J., on Feb. 26, 1869, and was educated in the public schools of his state and in the Palms Business College, Philadelphia. Being associated with his father until he was 24 years old, then entered the federal service in the post office at Bridgeton and served in that position, to the day, 11 years. In 1903 he and his brother, Edward E., engaged in the real estate business under the name—Wenoah Realty Co. They promoted a large tract at Wenoah, N. Y., also Seaside Park, N. J., and under the name of the Manhasset Realty Co., at Philadelphia, they promoted Seaside Heights, which embraced 150 acres of land. The brothers dissolved partnership in 1909 at which time Mr. Allen H. Grosscup came to Allentown, Pa., to take charge of the real estate for O. C. Dorney; and after he had closed out all the holdings for Mr. Dorney, in April of 1910, he took a piece of land in North Bethlehem known as "Moravian Terrace" and in eighteen months had closed out that tract. Mr. Grosscup had charge for four months of the Emaus Improvement Company, and in July, 1912, he and his son, Clyde E., or-

ganized the present firm, and they are established at No. 417 Hamilton St.

Mr. Allen H. Grosscup, served as chairman of the Civil Service Commission for Bridgeton, N. J., and that section of the state. He is a Democrat. On June 16, 1890, he married Ella Adams, daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth (Cameron) Adams, who for some years was engaged in the glass business at East Stroudsburg, Pa. They have these two children, Clyde E., who was educated in the public schools and the South Jersey Institute, at Bridgeton, N. J., and Edith M.

#### WALTER J. W. GROVES.

William Groves, whose father was a native of England, and the mother, Martha Rusk, came from Omagh, County Tyrone, Ireland, where the family have large estates, was born in the city of New York, and died in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he had been a resident for some years. He was a member of the firm of Simpson, Amsden & Company, of New York, the American branch of the Holland firm of Simpson & Company, importers of wines and drugs. Mr. Groves married Mary Margaret Weiss, who now resides in Glendale, Ohio. She is a direct descendant of Mathias Weiss, one of the original settlers of Bethlehem in 1742, and the first house built in Bethlehem remained in possession of the family until it was finally torn down to make way for the Eagle Hotel.

Walter Jedediah Weiss, a son of William and Mary Margaret (Weiss) Groves, was born in Bethlehem, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, June 5, 1873. He acquired a sound practical education in the Moravian Parochial school of the same place, and attended there until he had reached the age of sixteen years. He then determined to enter at once upon a business career, and commenced this as bookkeeper for the Bethlehem Foundry & Machine Company, retaining this position for a period of six years. Removing to Allentown, Pa., in 1895, he became associated as secretary with the Midvale Foundry Company, manufacturers of soil pipe and plumbers' supplies. This business was successful, and later was absorbed by the Central Foundry Company, a combination of a number of manufacturers in that line of business. He then became secretary of the Weaver Hersh Company, who built the large plant now occupied by the Traylor Engineering Company, and the machine shops of the Mack Brothers Motor Car Company. This business proved unsuccessful, and he then became actively interested in the manufacture of hardware specialties at Slatington, Pennsylvania, and continued in this business for four years.

In May, 1906, he accepted the position of auditor of the Mack Brothers Motor Car Company, manufacturers of commercial motor cars, and then at the beginning of its remarkably successful career. Shortly thereafter he was made secretary and a director in the company, and acted as their financial man until the company was absorbed by the International Motor Company in 1911.

Remaining with the International Motor Company for a period of a year, he retired to devote his time to his own interests. Among these are the Germania Security Company and the Daeuffer Brewing Company, in both of which companies he is secretary and director, and takes an active interest. He is also a director in the Penn Counties Trust Company.

Mr. Groves was married in 1900, to Mabel R. Kline, a daughter of the late Henry A. Kline, whose history appears in this volume. They have the following children: Margaret I., Eleanor K., and Henry K.

#### WILLIAM H. GRUBER.

William H. Gruber, farmer, near Siegersville, traces his family history to Jacob Gruber, who was born December 5, 1798, and died April 14, 1864, and is buried at Howertown church. He was married to a Miss Fenstermacher. They were the parents of the following children: Henry; Jacob, born March 19, 1819, died April 29, 1883; William; Sallie, married a Mr. Zellner; Caroline, married James Fretz; Eliza, married Jacob Bloch, and Mary, married Christian Danner.

Henry Gruber, son of Jacob, was born in 1817. In the early and later period of his life he lived in Allentown. For some time he followed farming in Salisbury township, and for a few years before he died he made his home with his son William. He was married to Mary Reichenbach, born in 1812, died in 1873. They had the following children: Emelina, who died young; Christiana (Mrs. Waldo Beissel); William H.; Amanda (Mrs. Amanda Boyer), and John, of Emaus.

William H. Gruber was born in Whitehall township, May 3, 1845. At an early age he worked in the fire brick works of McHose and Ritter in Allentown, and was employed there until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he enlisted in Co. K, 54 Penn. Vol. Inf. He was wounded at Dayton's Blank road on March 29, 1865. He participated in a number of engagements. On April 6, 1865, he was captured at High Bridge and for three days he was compelled to march with the Rebel army without anything to eat. Upon the surrender of Lee he



was exchanged and rejoined the Union army. He was mustered out on May 31, 1865. After the war he again worked in the fire brick works, and in 1872 commenced farming in Salisbury township, where he remained fifteen years on his 24 acre farm. In 1891 he sold his farm and purchased the William Levan farm of 54 acres, where he now resides. He is a member of the Jordan Reformed church and of E. B. Young Post, G. A. R., at Allentown and Veteran's Legion, Camp Sheridan, No. 18. In 1868 he married Sarah S. Levan, daughter of William and Sarah (Burger) Levan, of North Whitehall. Issue: Eugene, married, first, Ida Kemmerer, of South Bethlehem. They had one son, William. He married the second time, Lillie Peter, and they have one daughter, Laura, 2, Levan, single.

#### GRUVER FAMILY.

The Lehigh county branch of this family trace their family history to Bucks county, where we find the name of John Philip Gruver.

Philip Gruver was born in Bucks county, Nov. 13, 1753, and died August 16, 1842. His wife Margaret, was born in 1760 and died Jan. 18, 1809. Among the children of Philip and Margaret Gruver was Joseph, who was born in Bedminster, Bucks county, in 1800, and died in 1880. He was married to Elizabeth Maust, who was born in Bucks county in 1800 and died in 1882. This union was blessed with the following children: Louisa, born June 19, 1821, died May 27, 1844; Caroline, born May 26, 1823, died May 29, 1909; Reuben, born Nov. 13, 1825; Veronica, born August 23, 1827, died June, 1869; Philip, born April 22, 1829, died in youth; Mary Magdalena, born July 14, 1830; Francis, born Jan. 3, 1833, died in youth; Elias W., born August 3, 1834, died Oct. 18, 1912; John M., born Feb. 7, 1837; Isaac M., born May 18, 1838; and Joseph M., born Sept. 22, 1841.

Joseph M. Gruver, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Gruver, was born in Bedminster, Bucks county, where he resided until 1858, when he moved to Lehigh county and taught in Balliettsville and later at Ironton. He was the organist in the Howertown church and later at the Indian Land church. He conducted a general merchandise store at Springtown, Center Valley, Guthsville, and in 1893 located at Fifth and Gordon streets, in Allentown, where he continued until 1912, when he disposed of his business and retired. He was married to Josephine Laury, of Balliettsville, and they were the parents of the following children: Orville; Ada C., m. Wm. H. Guth; Ellsworth J.; Marvin L.

ORVILLE E. GRUVER, son of Joseph M. and Josephine (Laury) Gruver, was born in North Whitehall township, July 7, 1868. At the age of thirteen years he started to clerk in his father's store and continued with him for a number of years. In 1892 he engaged in business for himself in Cementon, where he is now located. He enjoys a large patronage and employs four people. He has always taken a keen interest in the political affairs of his township and county. He is prominently identified with the Democratic party. When only 21 years of age he was elected justice of the peace of South Whitehall township, being at that time the youngest incumbent in that office in the state. He was assistant postmaster at Stettlersville and at Guthville, and since 1906 a member of the Lehigh county Democratic standing committee. At present he is filling the office of President of the Whitehall township commissioners, which is the only first class township in the county. He is a member of the Cementon Camp, Modern Woodmen of America. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation of St. Paul's church, Cementon, which he has served as deacon and has been the organist since its organization. He is also the organist of St. John's (Miller's) church at Laury's since 1907.

In 1891 he was married to Lillie A. Jacoby, a daughter of Edwin C. and Elizabeth (Hoffman) Jacoby. They are the parents of the following children: Edwin, a graduate of the township high school, a clerk in his father's store. He is married to Mame Roth. Issue: Dorothy; Lottie M.; Harry R.; Hilda R.; Joyce F.; and Verna J.

MARVIN L. GRUVER, merchant of Coplay, a son of Joseph M. and Josephine (Laury) Gruver, was born April 7, 1886. He was educated in the public schools of his native place and at an early age became a clerk in his father's store, and continued with him until January, 1908, when he purchased the general merchandise store at 132 Third St., Coplay, of Calvinus Knerr. Here he has built up a fine business and employs four persons. Mr. and Mrs. Gruver are members of Trinity Reformed church. He takes an active interest in public affairs and was elected one of the first school directors under the new school code. He was re-elected in 1913. He holds membership in the following fraternal organizations: Liberty Chamber, No. 45, O. K. of F., at Allentown; I. O. W. A. M. at Coplay; Modern Woodmen of America at Cementon; and St. Alban Commandery, No. 46, A. and I. O. K. of M., of Allentown. On Nov. 26, 1907, he was married to Daisy E. Diehl, daughter of Alexander and Louisa (Roth) Diehl. Two

children have been born to this family: Madeline D., born Feb. 22, 1911, died April 5, 1912; and Louise D.

John Gruver followed the agricultural pursuit in Northampton county, where he died in 1858, advanced in years and is buried at the Hammelton church in Monroe county. He was the father of a large number of children, among them were the following: Jeremiah, James, John, Abraham, Michael, Joseph, William and Peter.

Abraham Gruver, son of John, was born in Northampton county in 1807. He was a machinist by trade and also conducted a farm. He had an inventive mind, having invented a shaker to the threshing machine, but never applied for a patent. He operated a threshing machine and did a great deal of threshing among the farms of his community. In 1843 he moved to Lehigh county. He was married to Susanna Fuchs, with whom he had the following children: John; Peter W.; Maria A. N.; and Catharine, married to Ezram Huttie; and Rebecca.

PETER W. GRUVER, farmer of Hanover township, was born in Bethlehem township, Jan. 19, 1849. He received his education in the public school of his native place; Weaversville Academy; Muhlenberg Preparatory School, and Swartz Academy, at Bethlehem. In 1871, started to teach in the public schools and taught 29 years, of which the first two terms were taught in Northampton county and the last 27 terms in Hanover township, Lehigh county. In 1874, he moved on the 45-acre farm where he still resides. This was formerly owned by Jacob Kemmerer, Conrad Koehler, John Ernst and Susanna Gruver. He has taken a great interest in political and religious affairs of his community. He has filled the office of auditor 17 years and assessor 3 years. He is a member of the Reformed congregation of the Schoenersville church which he served as deacon for one term and elder for sixteen consecutive years. He was married to Henrietta Silvers, daughter of Jacob and Amelia Silvers. They were the parents of the following children: Annie, deceased, married to Robert Derlin; Sarah, married to Harvey Rabenold; Mary, married to Harry Freed; William, married to Addie Deller; Charles, married to Ellen Kressley; and Welcome, died in infancy.

#### GUTEKUNST FAMILIES.

Michael Friedrich Gutekunst arrived in the province of Pennsylvania in 1766. He came on a ship from Amsterdam, Holland. He was probably a native of Würtemberg. He settled in Saucon township, then Northampton, now Le-

high county. His occupation was that of a miller. He afterward purchased land with a mill, now in the Twelfth ward of Allentown. The tax lists of 1785 show that he was assessed for a grist-mill, fifty acres of land, four horses, and three cows.

January 22d, 1779, Friedrich Gutekunst, of Salisbury township, bought 143 acres of Michael Glass in Moore township, Northampton county, Pa. June 1, 1783 Frederick Gutekunst (miller) and wife, Margaret, sold this land to Henry Strauss (blacksmith) for five hundred pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania. The deed was delivered April 12, 1784, in the presence of Peter Hauck, and Johannes Kress and acknowledged before Peter Rhoads, one of the justices in said county.

After signing the allegiance paper on landing at Philadelphia, he did not write his name Michael, but only Frederick Gutekunst.

The following is an extract from the Pennsylvania Archives, Fifth Series, Vol. 8.

Frederick Gutekunst (in that list of soldiers misprinted Gudergunst), was in the First Company, Third Battalion, of Northampton county, Pa., infantry, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Nicholas Kern. The captain of the company was John Ritter, the lieutenant John Reed, ensign, Jacob Erb. During the Revolutionary War every able-bodied man (under sixty) and boy (over sixteen) in Northampton county was enrolled and had to be ready to shoulder a musket and march to the front whenever called.

Michael Frederick Gutekunst was drowned some time between 1785 and the taking of the census in 1790, as his widow, Margaret, with the children was then only enumerated. At the time of his death he owned a house and lot, 60 by 230 feet, on the West side of Lehigh street, Allentown, bounded by lots of John Meyer and Jacob Mickle.

He died without leaving a will. The orphans' court records at Easton, show that he left a widow and six children, namely: John, Adam, Christina, Susanna, Frederick, and Solomon. The last two were under fourteen years old when their father's property was sold and the final settlement made in 1796 by the administrators. Jacob Newhardt, one of the administrators, petitioned the court to appoint guardians for Frederick and Solomon Gutekunst, minors. Peter Hauck was appointed guardian for Frederick and George Graff, Esq., for Solomon.

Margaret, the widow of Frederick Gutekunst, was baptized and confirmed in Zion's Reformed church, Allentown, Oct. 13, 1792. She afterward married Abraham Albert.

Whom John and Adam Gutekunst married



is not known to the writer. Christina became the wife of Christian Gees. Christina became her full baptismal name was) went to Ligonier, Westmoreland county, Pa., and on Nov. 23, 1803, married Christian Krebs (now written Kribbs). She was the grandmother of the Rev. J. A. Scheffer, Allentown, and of the late Mrs. Rev. J. B. Fox, Slatington, Pa.

Frederick Gutekunst, Jr., married Eva Lehr (now written Lehr). He died a comparatively young man from an injury in lifting. It is inferred that he also was a miller. A daughter, Mary, was married to Joseph Kramer. Their son, Edward D. Kramer, was the father of Thomas J. Kramer, Allentown, and of Mrs. William Strauss, Fullerton, Pa.

Solomon, Joseph, and Charles, sons of Frederick Gutekunst, Jr., migrated to Northumberland county, near Milton, Pa., James, a son of Charles Gutekunst, was postmaster at Allentown, Pa. A daughter of one of those brothers. Josephine by name, married Frank Hagenbuch.

Solomon Gutekunst was a butcher by occupation and had a meat market in Allentown. He was the father of seven daughters and two sons. The sons both died before growing to manhood. The eldest of the daughters, Annette, married Samuel Finley. She lived to a good old age, and her tombstone is in Union Cemetery, Allentown. She was the mother of the late Mrs. Samuel Thompson and grandmother of Mrs. Elmer E. Edinger and Miss Nettie S. Thompson, Allentown.

Eliza married Charles Eckert and was the mother of a son and daughter. The son is the well-known and esteemed, Miles L. Eckert, of Allentown, who married Emma N., only daughter of the late Charles H. Nimson. Their son is the genial and obliging Nimson Eckert, Esq.

Louisa L. married Ephraim Bast. They are the parents of Mrs. J. W. Ackerman, Chicago, Ill. Anna was the wife of Wm. Knerr, and Mary of Joseph Reinsmith. They had five sons: Henry Reinsmith, of Allentown; Charles; Daniel; Alfred; and Solomon are dead.

Rebecca married the late Joseph Newhard, who was sheriff of Lehigh county. Matilda, the youngest daughter of Solomon Gutekunst, is the widow of Charles Keck. She is in her ninety-third year, has her home with an adopted daughter in Brooklyn, N. Y., and visits her relatives in Allentown every summer.

Susanna, one of the granddaughters of Frederick Gutekunst, Sr., which name means a good art, profession, or trade, married Jacob Weber, the father of the late Solomon Weaver, who was the father of Jacob Weaver and grandfather of Dr. J. M. Weaver, of Allentown, Pa.

J. A. SCHEFFER.

# ELIAS J. GUTH.

The pioneer ancestor of Elias J. Guth's family in America, was Lorentz Guth, who came to this county from the Palatinate, landing at Philadelphia, September 19, 1738. He settled in Whitehall, then Bucks county, Pennsylvania, and in the course of time purchased one thousand acres of land, which became the Guth homestead, and a considerable portion of this is still in the possession of his descendants. In 1745 he erected a substantial stone dwelling house, which is still standing, and is one of the old landmarks of the county. His descendants are numerous and are now to be found in all portions of the United States, but principally in Pennsylvania.

Elias J. Guth, great-great-grandson of the pioneer ancestor, is one of the only two living children of the late Levi and Lydia (Wenner) Guth, and a grandson of William Wenner, of Wonnerville. He was born the old Guth homestead, May 15, 1853. He attended the district schools and was graduated from them, then, when eighteen years of age, became a student at the Keystone State Normal School, in Kutztown, and supplemented this training by an exhaustive course at the Allentown Business College. For a number of years he was engaged in clerical work, abandoning this in favor of teaching, a profession with which he was identified thirty-nine years. A detailed record of his professional work is as follows: One term in Weisenberg township; one term in Upper Macungie; seven terms in North Whitehall; and thirty years in his home township, South Whitehall. He has been an active worker in religious matters throughout his life, and is a member of the Jordan Reformed church, at Walbert, of which his brother, Rev. Frank A. Guth, is pastor. Elias J. Guth has done most excellent work in connection with Sunday schools. He was one of the founders of the Salem Union Sunday school of Iron Bridge, in 1874; in 1890 he was one of the organizers of the Guth's Station Union Sunday school, and has been in office as senior superintendent of this for the past twenty years. He has served as vice-president of the Lehigh County Sunday school Association, at Allentown, for one year. Liberal in all his views, he is especially so in all matters concerning the welfare and development of the community, and gives his political support to the Republican party. He served his township as assessor for a period of three years.

Mr. Guth was married, in 1876, to Elmira P., a daughter of the late David and Mary (Schadt) Troxell, and a granddaughter of Lorentz Schadt. They have had children: Olivia Grace, married John Wenner, has a son, Lu-

ther, and lives in Allentown; Rena Blanche, married Clinto Bastian, has children: Margaret and Elias—and lives in Wescosville; Roscoe Melancthon, married Birdie, a daughter of Lewis Ritter, has children, now living—Ellis, Aster, and Lila—and lives near Guth's Station; Benton David, married Ida, a daughter of Penrose Stewart, has children—Lawrence and Annie—and lives at Alsen, New York; Henry Levi, married (first) and has a child, Naomi, married (second) Clara Nadig, and lives in Chicago, Illinois; Fremont Frank, who died in early childhood; Edward Melville, is unmarried, and lives with his parents.

#### REV. FRANK A. GUTH, A.M., B.D.

Rev. Frank A. Guth, who lives at Mechanicsville, since 1913, is a descendant of Lorentz Guth, who settled in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, in 1738. A large stone house erected by him in 1745 is still standing, and is one of the landmarks of Lehigh county. The homestead is still in the family name and is now owned by Rev. Guth and his brother, Elias. The parents of Rev. Guth were the late Levi and Lydia (Wenner) Guth.

Rev. Frank A. Guth was born on the Lorentz Guth Homestead, July 2, 1854, and was baptized and confirmed in the Jordan Reformed church by the late Rev. Joseph Dubs, D.D. At an early age he already showed decided intellectual ability, and his preparatory training was received in the public schools and under private tuition at home. He then attended the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutzown, which was then under the principalship of Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., LL.D., and followed this by teaching for some years in the public schools of his native county. He entered the preparatory department of Muhlenberg College, at Allentown, in 1876, from that went to Ursinus College, at Collegeville, and was graduated from this institution with honors in the class of 1881. His next line of study was the theological course at Ursinus Seminary, which he completed in 1884, and was then licensed and ordained as a minister by the Lehigh classis. He received and accepted a call from Jefferson, York county, Pennsylvania, in May, 1884, was installed the following month and was a greatly beloved and successful minister there until 1900. In 1900 a weakness of the throat obliged him to tender his resignation, which was accepted with sincere and unfeigned regret; and from 1900 to 1913 he resided in Allentown. After two years of much-needed rest, Rev. Guth became a supply to the Shoenersville congregation, and also filled a vacancy in the North Bethlehem Reformed

church until, by the union of Rittersville and Shoenersville congregation, East Pennsylvania Classis constructed the Shoenersville charge, when Rev. Guth became the pastor of this flock. He remained in this pastorate until April 30, 1911, then accepted a call from the Jordan Charge, composed of the Reformed congregations of Jordan, Cedarville, and Morganland, and in this he succeeded the late Rev. E. J. Fogel, D.D., of Fogelsville. This was truly the spiritual home of Rev. Guth, as in it he had been baptized and confirmed.

The descendants of Lorentz Guth, the pioneer ancestor, have become very numerous, and the Guth family reunion has become a time-honored institution. Rev. Guth has been the president of this body for many years, and was again elected to fill this office at the annual gathering of the association in 1913. He was married, May 1, 1884, to Louisa H., a daughter of the late David and Mary (Schaadt) Troxell. Two sons have come to bless the union: John L., who is now a junior in the Central Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Dayton, Ohio; Henry E., who is a student in the Medico-Chirurgical College, in Philadelphia.

#### LLEWELLYN H. GUTH.

Sylvester Guth, son of Daniel, was born August 22, 1821, on the Guth homestead, which was founded by his great-grandfather, Lorentz Guth, who came to America in 1738. Sylvester Guth was a cabinet maker and undertaker in South Whitehall, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, near the Jordan Reformed church. He covered a large territory and officiated at more than seventeen hundred funerals. He was the owner of the farm now in the possession of his son, Llewellyn H., active in church work, and in the interests of the Sunday school, he was superintendent of the Jordan Reformed Sunday school for more than a quarter of a century, and at various times filled all the offices in connection with the church. He was a member of the building committee who had in charge the remodeling of the Jordan Reformed church in 1871. Mr. Guth married Elizabeth, a daughter of Isaac and S. (Mohr) Haas, and had children: Cecelia, widow of Thomas Wenner; Edmond S., of Cetrone, Pa.; Amelia, widow of Frank Rhoads; Ellen M., married Dr. J. F. Kocher, of Walberts, Pennsylvania; Penrose, lives in Chicago; Griffith J., born in 1853, died at Philadelphia, in 1881; Llewellyn H., of further mention; Dr. Harvey W., of Altoona, Pa.; Laura A., married Irwin F. Keck, of Allentown; Minnie A., unmarried, lives with Mrs. Keck.

Llewellyn H., son of Sylvester and Elizabeth



(Haas) Guth, was born on the Guth homestead in South Whitehall, Lehigh county, Pa., September 11, 1855. His education was acquired in the public schools of his native township, at the Keystone State Normal School, the Muhlenberg College, and the Ursinus College, being graduated from the last named institution in 1880. For several years he taught school in Rittersville and in his own township, then took up the study of embalming, and was graduated from the Philadelphia School of Embalming, and from the Boston School of Embalming in 1889. He engaged in the undertaking and embalming business at his home near Walberts, and his careful and sympathetic manner of officiating has won him many friends, and has enabled him to build up a successful business. Thus far he has had charge of almost 1,000 funerals. He is deeply interested in whatever concerns the welfare of the community, and has served as a school director, and four terms as a justice of the peace. His political affiliation is with the Democratic party. He is a member of the Jordan Reformed church, in which he has served as elder. His fraternal connection is with the Patriotic Order Sons of America and the Knights of the Golden Eagle. As a member of the Lawrence Guth Reunion Association, he has achieved prominence, and has been president of this honorable body several terms. Mr. Guth married Alameda R., born April 9, 1870, died January 7, 1912, a daughter of William and Sybilla (Riegel) Biery. They had one child: Lawrence E., who is his father's assistant in the latter's business. Lawrence E. Guth is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Patriotic Order Sons of America, and married Estella, a daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Ludwig) Focht. They have one daughter, Margaret M.

#### DR. N. C. E. GUTH.

Dr. N. C. E. Guth, of Allentown, Pa., was born in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, May 2, 1850. His education was acquired in the public schools, and the Millersville Normal School. Late in 1869 he commenced the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. A. P. Fetherolf, at Chapman's Station, Pennsylvania. Subsequently he became a student at the University of Pennsylvania, from which institution he was graduated on March 13, 1873, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He then engaged in the practice of his profession at Perkasié, Bucks county, Pa.; remained there three years, and then removed to Gilbert, Monroe county, Pa., where he was in continuous practice for a period of seventeen years. His health having become impaired, and accordingly removed

to Allentown in 1893, and has since that time been a resident there. In political matters he is a Democrat. He was a member of the Board of Health of Allentown, from 1906 to 1911, was then elected health officer of the city, and served in 1912 and 1913. For a long time he was a member of the school board of the Tenth ward, and served as president of this body in 1909 and 1910. He and his family are members of the Reformed Church, in which he has held official position for many years. The fraternal relations of Dr. Guth are as follows: Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; Allen Chapter, No. 203, Royal Arch Masons; Allen Council, No. 23, Royal Arcanum.

In 1897 Dr. Guth became one of the organizers of the Lorentz Guth Family Association, which held its first re-union, September 2, 1897, on the homestead founded by the American progenitor of the family, in South Whitehall. He delivered the first historical address concerning the family, and was president of the association in 1901 and 1902. August 28, 1902, the day the monument in honor of the founder of the family was unveiled, Dr. Guth delivered the principal address of the day. Annual meetings are held by this association.

Dr. Guth married, in September, 1874, Amanda, a daughter of John D. and Catherine (Stauffer) Rosenberger, Bucks county, and they live at No. 527 Liberty street, Allentown. They have had children: 1. Herbert W., who was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and is the owner, and personally conducts a drug store on North Seventh street, Allentown. He married Minnie Kline. 2. Nevin H., after passing through the public schools of Allentown, attended the Allentown Preparatory School, from which he was graduated in 1908. He then matriculated at Lehigh University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, with the degree of Mechanical Engineer.

#### HENRY D. GUTH.

Henry D. Guth, of Allentown, Lehigh county, Pa., was born August 7, 1856. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown, the Allentown Academy and the Muhlenberg Preparatory School. Upon the completion of his education he entered the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Express Company as a clerk, and remained in the service of this company until it sold out. He then became chief clerk for the United States Express Company, this association being uninterrupted for a period of twenty years, when Mr. Guth resigned on June 27, 1911. As a favor to the company he remained in office until January, 1912. Mr. Guth is financially con-

nected with the R. H. Guth bindery, at No. 742 Hamilton street, of which his nephew, R. H. Guth, is the active head. Mr. Guth is a member of Zion's Reformed church, and is an earnest and consistent student. His reading is wide and diversified, and his private library is unusually large and comprehensive.

#### EDWARD B. GUTH.

Daniel Guth was born in South Whitehall, Lehigh county, and is buried in the graveyard of the Jordan Reformed church. He was a farmer at Jordan Bridge, and this property is now the property of his son, Manassas. He married, and had children: Oliver; Ephraim; Benjamin; Manassas; Uriah, of further mention; Levina, who married Nathan Sieger; Mrs. Eli Troxell; Mrs. Edwin Erdman.

Uriah, son of Daniel Guth, was born in South Whitehall, Lehigh county, and removed to Allentown, where he established himself in the carpet business at Eighth and Hamilton streets.

Charles Guth, whose home was near Crackersport, Lehigh county, lived on the land now owned by his son, Lewis. He was a man of influence and prominence in the community, being known as "Squire" Guth, and was in office as justice of the peace a long time. For many years he was engaged in teaching school, and was also station agent at Walberts. As a member of the Reformed church, he held a number of offices, and was an elder many years. Squire Guth married Mary Smith, and had children: Lewis, mentioned above; Josiah, died in Missouri; Amanda, married Tilghman Hummel; Carolina, married Aaron Guth.

Lewis S. Guth was born April 6, 1838, and was reared in South Whitehall, Lehigh county. For more than twenty years he was section boss, and now lives on a six-acre tract near Crackersport. Active in religious matters, he served as deacon and elder in the Reformed Church. Mr. Guth married, in 1869, Amanda Woodring, and has had children: Tilghman, lives in Chapmans; Alice, who died in 1903, married John Dech; Lloyd, lives in Kuhnsville; Caroline, died unmarried at the age of twenty-one years.

Edward B. Guth was born at Eighth and Hamilton streets, Allentown, Oct. 4, 1861. His education was acquired in the public schools of Allentown, and in the Allentown Business College. When he entered upon his business career he obtained a position with the United States Express Company, rose through various grades until he held positions of great trust and responsibility, and was finally obliged to sever his connection with this company, June 18, 1910, because of impaired health. His business associations now

consist of membership in the firm of R. H. Guth & Company, bookbinders, at No. 742 Hamilton street. His religious affiliation is with the Zion Reformed church. Mr. Guth married, June 21, 1888, Minnie D., a daughter of Allen O. and Ellen (Hoffert) Frankenfield, and they have had children: Raymond H. and three others.

#### SAMUEL J. GUTH.

The grandfather of Samuel J. Guth was Jonathan Guth, who had children: Hiram; Francis; Samuel; Esau, of further mention; Carolina.

Esau Guth, son of the preceding, was born in 1824 and is buried in the graveyard of the Jordan Reformed church, of which he had been a member. His death occurred in 1873 at the age of forty-nine years. He owned a farm of seventy-four acres at Siegersville, which he cultivated, and was also proprietor and personal manager of Levan's Hotel, in North Whitehall township, for a period of eight years. He married Caroline Barner, of Salisbury township. They had children: Hiram, born in 1850, died in 1910; Rosa, married Edward Wotring; Allison, a resident of Egypt, Pa.; Ellen; Theodore; Louisa; Israel, died young; Agnes, married Peter Ruch; Emma, married Daniel Schaadt; Samuel, of further mention.

Samuel J., son of Esau and Caroline (Barner) Guth, was born in North Whitehall, Lehigh county, Pa., September 29, 1863. His early years were spent on the farm, and he was then apprenticed to learn the trade of coach-painting, and followed this occupation until 1894. At that time he purchased Mickley's Hotel, and conducted it four years, and in 1900 erected the Coplay House at the corner of South Second and Hokendauqua streets. This hotel has upward of eighteen rooms, is equipped with steam heating apparatus, and is up-to-date in every particular. Mr. Guth conducted this until 1909, when he retired to private life, and lives in his home which is next to the hotel. He has been a member of the Republican County Committee since 1907. His religious affiliation is with the Reformed Church, and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Jordan Lodge, No. 192. Mr. Guth was married, in 1886, to Susan Margrette, a daughter of William and Priscilla (Eck) Margrette. They have children: Sadie, married Milton H. Hartz; Evan B., a chemist; Hilda L., who was graduated from the Coplay high school in 1913.

Albert J. D. Guth, oldest son of Edward, had been proprietor of the Lafayette hotel, Allentown, was born in South Whitehall, May 20, 1849. He died of pneumonia March 18, 1904. He was reared upon the farm and later conducted



one himself. In the year 1886, he left the farm to become a partner with his father-in-law, Joseph Kressley in the proprietorship of the Lafayette Hotel. The firm of Kressley and Guth conducted the hotel for seven years after which upon the retirement of Mr. Kressley, the son-in-law became the sole proprietor and conducted the big hotel in a satisfactory manner, giving the hotel the high reputation it still enjoys. At the time of his death he was the oldest hotel proprietor in Allentown, and the "Lafayette" was one of the excellent family hotels in the city and county.

Mr. Guth took an active part in the movement which resulted in the erection of a monument to the memory of Lorentz Guth, the pioneer ancestor of the family, on the Jordan Reformed cemetery, and also was officially connected with the Guth family reunion.

He was married to Sarah A., daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Bittner) Kressley. The widow survives with her two sons: Elmer A. and George E. K.

Elmer A. Guth, of the firm of Guth Bros., proprietors of the Lafayette Hotel, was born on the old Guth homestead, Sept. 25, 1875. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age took to music. He taught music in Allentown for seven years; and for a period of five years he served as organist of the St. Luke's Lutheran church. He is actively identified with the "Guth family reunion," and was its secretary since 1906 to 1913. After the death of their father, Elmer A. Guth and his brother, George E. K. Guth, under the firm name of Guth Bros., became the proprietors of the Lafayette hotel. This house is located at 133-137 North Seventh street, and is conducted on modern and highly approved lines.

Mr. Guth was united in marriage Oct. 6, 1898 with M. Barbara Guth, daughter of Alexander and Mary (Koch) Guth, of Allentown.

George E. K. Guth, the younger son of Albert J. D., was born on the Guth homestead, in November 18, 1882. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1905. He is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity of the College, and also of the B. P. O. E. No. 130, of Allentown.

He was wedded in 1906 to Esther A. Steckel, a daughter of R. Peter and Rebecca (Henninger) Steckel. They have three children, viz: Hannah Steckel, Sarah Rebecca Guth, and Albert R.

Lawrence Guth was born and reared in Guthsville. He owned extensive properties there and in the vicinity. He had the following named children: Francis J., of whom below; Hiram; Israel; Caroline, and Samuel. Hiram was a merchant in Allentown. Dr. Israel practiced

for some time in Allentown, then removed to Peoria, Ill. Caroline, single, resides at Allentown. Samuel was a printer, now deceased.

Francis J. Guth, son of Lawrence Guth, was born on the old homestead at Guthsville, and attended the public schools, and at an early day learned the tailors' trade, and conducts this business on Hamilton street for many years. He had been associated for a short time with his uncle, Hiram Guth, in the dry goods business in Allentown, and later was connected with the United States Army, serving as tailor, where he continued for several years, dying while in the service, and was buried at Fort Smith, Ark.

He married Annie N. Ginginger. Issue: Alonzo, of Big Rock; James, of Allentown; and Harry Israel, of whom below.

Harry Israel Guth, son of Francis J. and Annie N. (Ginginger) Guth, was born Dec. 1, 1856 in Allentown. His education was limited, as at the age of twelve he entered the employ of the Allentown Spike Works, where he continued for four years, then was employed for two years by James Smith, a hotel keeper. He then went to Philadelphia, where he was a street car conductor for five years, then returning to Allentown, conducted a hotel for some years afterwards; he leased a hotel at Slatington, conducting it for seven years. He then returned to Allentown, and on July 3, 1905, he purchased the property known as the Mansion House, where he has since conducted a cafe.

In politics he is a Republican; in religion a Presbyterian; is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles; also of the Owls, of which he is Supreme Warden of the Supreme Nest, and deputy State President.

He married Agnes Kern, of Allentown, who died at the age of 35 years, and was interred in Union cemetery. Issue, an only son, Clarence Francis, who is married to Lucy Smale.

#### ISRAEL F. GOOD, JR.

Adam Good was born in 1754 and died May 5, 1826, his remains being interred in the graveyard of the Jordan Reformed church. He was a farmer and tanner, and lived in Guthsville on a part of the original Guth homestead. He married Dorothea Strickler, born in 1758, died April 12, 1829, being survived by six grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Children: Adam; Henry; George; Jonas; Daniel; Peter; Sarah, married Thomas Kern; Elizabeth, married Jonas Haas; Susan, married Henry Bortz; Maricha, married the Hon. Nickol Raubenold; Salome, married Solomon Gross.

Joseph A. Good was born at Guthsville, Lehigh county, April 12, 1799, and died on a part

of the old Lorentz Guth homestead, July 12, 1874. He is buried in the Jordan Lutheran churchyard. He was a tanner and farmer on an extensive scale, operating the largest tannery in that section of the country and employing a large number of men for that time. He married Polly, born October 5, 1804, died January 1, 1876, a daughter of Peter Troxell, and they had children: William, settled in Youngstown, Ohio; Dr. Henry, lived and died in New York City; Eliza, married John Miller; Christina, married Henry Baer; Israel F., of further mention; Sallinda, married Rev. Robert Van Court, a Reformed preacher; Phoebe, married John H. Nolf; Emeline, married Josiah App; Peter, of Philadelphia. All of the above mentioned are now deceased with the exception of Emeline and Peter.

Israel F., son of Joseph A. and Polly (Troxell) Guth, was born in Guthsville, Lehigh county, Pa., July 16, 1833, and died at Allentown, Sept. 29, 1908. His remains are interred in the West End cemetery. He was a woodworker, and an inventor of no mean reputation. Among his inventions were: A railroad tie and chair; a fire escape; an air purifying apparatus; and a number of other useful articles. The famous twin-screw propeller was invented by him, this now being placed on all large ocean-going vessels. Unfortunately, he was induced to display this valuable invention to three strangers, while it was not yet patented, and when he applied for a patent a few weeks later, greatly to his disappointment, he was told that a patent similar to his had been granted a few days previously. He was a member of the Reformed Church. Mr. Guth married Malinda, a daughter of Aaron Guth, and had children: Sallie J.; Joseph F.; Samuel, died April 4, 1888, at the age of twenty-three years; Lizzie; William; Israel F., of further mention.

Israel F. Good, Jr., son of Israel F. and Malinda (Guth) Guth, was born at Guthsville, Lehigh county, August 23, 1878. He was educated in the public schools, and supplemented this education by a course in the American Commercial School in Allentown. He then learned the trade of silk-weaving in Bethlehem in 1893, but not long afterward, pursued a business career in Allentown. In 1908 he was one of the organizers of the firm of Hunsicker, Good & Co., silk ribbon manufacturers, and was chosen manager of the concern, a position he is filling at the present time. Mr. Guth married Kate M. A., a daughter of Calvin and Ida (Seibert) Haas, and they have had children: Olive M., Luther W., Charles W., and Homer W.

#### WILLIAM H. GOOD.

Nathan Guth, son of Henry, was for many years a farmer in South Whitehall, near Guthsville, where he was the owner of one hundred and twenty-five acres of land. He is buried in the graveyard of the Jordan Reformed church. He married (first) Lydia Ann Albright, (second) Hannah Gangawere. Children by the first marriage: Carolona; Flora, married (first) Dissinger, (second) Herman Rice, and her death occurred in Bethlehem, where she was living at the time; Messita, married Henry Muse; Harrison, died in North Whitehall; Malinda, died unmarried; William H., of further mention. Children by second marriage: Charles and Small.

William H. Good, son of Nathan and Lydia Ann (Albright) Guth, was born March 20, 1844. His name was spelled Good on the muster-roll and he has spelled it in that fashion since that time. He was reared on his father's farm and at a suitable age learned the trade of a coachsmith, and commenced working as a journeyman at the age of eighteen years. He followed this for fifteen years at Cherryville, Saegersville, Neffs, and Guthsville, but turned his attention to farming in 1889. For a period of nine years he was a tenant on a farm of seventeen acres which he subsequently bought, and in 1898 he purchased the John Hauser tract, which he has turned into a truck farm. In 1862 he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was an active participant in the battles of Antietam, Chancellorsville, and Gettysburg.

Mr. Good married Mary Ann, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Miller) Smith, of Saegersville. Children: 1. Martin Q., a printer in the employ of the *New York Tribune*; he married Annie Merkel, and has children: Lottie, a teacher in the schools of New York City. 2. Edward H., a machinist and carpenter living at Kernsville; he married Sarah Gangawere, and has had children: Henry C.; Daisy L.; Lawrence E., who died young; Mamie; Sarah; William; Edward Herbert.

#### THOMAS F. GOOD.

Henry Guth, a son of Adam, lived at Guthsville, where he conducted a hotel for many years. He is buried at the Jordan Reformed church. He married Kate Butz, and had children: Nathan; Malinda, married Daniel Stettler; Lucy, married Solomon Diehl; Aaron, of further mention; Anna, married John Miller.

Aaron, son of Henry and Kate (Butz) Guth, was born in Guthsville and died in 1888. He



conducted a hotel for more than a quarter of a century, and was also engaged in business as a burner of lime. Another industry was the hauling of ore from the mines, which he did with two teams. His farm was one hundred acres in extent. In 1866 he removed to Shelby county, Missouri, lived there about six years, then returned to the East. After the death of his wife he again went West, lived for a time with his daughter, Froene, and finally made his home in the East until his death. He was a member of the Reformed Church. He married Elizabeth Albright, a sister of John Albrecht, and they had children: Phaon; Froene, now deceased, married Isaiah Guth, and lived in Lafayette, Indiana; Malinda, married Israel Guth; Jane; Thomas F., of further mention; Martin, lives in Colorado; John, lives in Lehigh county; Henry; Emma, married — Byers, and lives in Francis, Indiana; Louisa; Rosa, deceased.

Thomas F. Good, son of Aaron and Elizabeth (Albright) Guth, was born in South Whitehall, Guthsville, April 29, 1842. His early life was the usual one of a country lad, and at the age of sixteen years he was apprenticed to learn the trade of coachmaking. He followed this calling in Mechanicsville until 1862, when he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months' service, and was mustered out in May, 1863. He was present at the battles of Antietam and Chancellorsville, was taken prisoner at the latter, and confined in Libbey prison fifteen days. Upon the conclusion of the war he returned to his home, and later went to Jeffersonville, Indiana, where he worked in the car shops seven months. Again returning to Lehigh county, he was for more than a year at the Black Bear Hotel in Allentown. In March, 1866, he went to Missouri with his young wife, but returned in the fall of the same year. For four years he followed the occupations of wagoner and carpenter at Slatington and in 1904 settled at Allentown. From 1884 to 1888 he drove the stage from Allentown to Saegersville. He was a Republican, and served as supervisor for seven years in a strongly Democratic district. Since April, 1911, he was janitor at the Garfield school building. He died Nov. 26, 1914. Mr. Good married, Feb. 3, 1866, Amanda L., a daughter of Peter and Salome (Wenner) Romich, of North Whitehall township. They have had children: William H., of Allentown, a motorman; George P., a tailor, of Allentown; Robert M., a clerk in Allentown; Thomas A., and Howard W., both died young. Mr. Good was a member, deacon, and elder in the Union Reformed church, at Neffs.

## HAAS FAMILIES.

In 1740 there emigrated to this country from Germany three brothers, Peter, John, and Henry Haas, and settled in what is now known as Upper Macungie township, this county. Peter Haas later moved to Berks county, and Henry Haas to the upper part of this county in what is known as Haas Dale. John Haas continued his residence at the original place of settlement and from him was descended Philip Haas, who was born in Northampton county (now Lehigh) in Upper Macungie township, on September 10, 1782, and died on November 14, 1862. He had retained his residence in the same township all the eighty years of his life, and was a stone mason by trade. He was married to Susanna Grammes, with whom he lies buried in the Trexlertown cemetery. To Philip and Susanna Haas were born ten children, two sons and eight daughters, namely: John, Peter, Nancy, Maria, Katharine, Mary, Lydia and Sallie (twins), Eliza and Susan.

Peter Haas was born Dec. 25, 1748 and died June 9, 1834. On Aug. 13, 1776, he married Maria Christina Trexler, who died Sept. 13, 1829, aged 75 years, 10 months, and 10 days. They had been blessed with ten children.

Jonathan Haas, son of Peter, lived at Topton, Berks county. He had been a farmer and also had served as justice of the peace. He was a member of the Reformed Church. He was married to Catharine Trexler, and had the following children: Nathan Trexler; Jarius, deceased, unmarried; Peter, who lived at Stony Point, Berks county, and had a large family; Jonathan; Reuben, m. to Catharine DeLong, of Topton; Judith, m. to a Mr. Hoffman; Maria, m. to a Mr. Butz; and settled in Schuylkill county; and three of her daughters, married respectively to Rev. Roeller, David Kutz, and Charles Trexler. Johnathan Haas and wife are buried at Mertztown, Pa.

Nathan T. Haas, son of Jonathan, was born in Berks county and had the occupation of farming. He was married to Eliza, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Schmeyer) Butz, the issue being: Frank H.; William; Mary; Anna Eliza; Sarah Ann, deceased; Charles B.; Ella; Kate, deceased; Anna Elizabeth; Jonathan; and Nathan A.

NATHAN A. HAAS, son of Nathan T. and Eliza (Butz) Haas, was born in Longswamp township, Bucks county. He attended the public schools, which was supplemented by a three years' course at the Kutztown Normal School. When sixteen years of age, he came to Allentown and entered the shoe store of J. L. Farr & Co. When he arrived at majority, he was admitted to the firm, the name being changed to Farr,

Haas & Co. On the death of J. L. Farr, the business was continued by his son, Harvey Farr and Mr. Haas until 1900. The partnership was then dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Haas having purchased the old Cross Keys hotel property at the corner of Eighth and Hamilton streets, erected thereon a modern five-story store and office building. The lower floor and part of the second, he devoted to the shoe business. In 1900 Mr. Haas admitted his son, Harry, and the firm-name was changed to N. A. Haas & Son. On June 13, 1912, Mr. Haas sold this property, and retired from the retail shoe business, Dec. 1, 1912. In the early part of 1913, he and Charles E. Burger and Mr. Haas' sons, Harry E. and Robert E., formed a corporation under the firm-name of Haas-Berger Co., and began the manufacturing of childrens' and misses' shoes at 20 South Hall street, where they employ about 100 people. Mr. Haas is one of the organizers of the Penn County Trust Co., of which he is one of the directors. Soon after the organization of the Allentown Hospital, he was made one of its trustees, serving to 1908, when he resigned. He was a delegate to the Republican state convention at Harrisburg, which nominated McCauley for auditor-general. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church, which he served as deacon to 1890 and since then is serving as a trustee. When the present building was remodelled in 1911, he was elected president of the building committee.

Mr. Haas was twice married. His first wife being Ellen, daughter of Solomon and Matilda (Hartman) Keck, from which union was born Harry E. His second wife is Emma R., daughter of John A. and Ellen (Dubbs) Jacoby, who bore him three children: Robert; Ruth, deceased; and Marguerite.

Jacob Haas, son of Peter, was born Aug. 10, 1780, died July 26, 1852. He resided in Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county, where he farmed a 50-acre tract which had been a part of the homestead of his father. He built the present stone house, also a large and modern Swiss barn. Being a man of more than ordinary intelligence he had served as justice of the peace of the township for many years. An old desk or secretary of his is now in possession of his granddaughter, Ida, wife of Henry Bower, of Allentown. He served the Reformed church officially. His wife had been Catharine Kop (Aug. 30, 1780-d. March 2, 1859). Their children were Carolus and Alfred.

Carolus Haas, son of Jacob, was born in Upper Macungie township, and died at Allentown, where he is buried on the Greenwood cemetery. Having natural talents for music, he began to study music at an early age. When but sixteen

years old, he played the pipe organ at Zion's church, Maxatawny, and the Huff's church. He was in instructor on the organ, piano, violin, and of orchestras, being the organizer of the Wescoesville and other orchestras. He belonged to the Reformed Church. He was married to Louisa, a daughter of Daniel Frey, the issue being: Milton J.; Elda, m. to David Fisher, of Allentown; Ida, wife of Henry Bower, of Allentown; Charles T., a baker, of Philadelphia; Jennie, wife of Frank Baatz, of Fullerton; and Raymond, of Allentown.

MILTON J. HAAS, M.D., of Allentown, Pa., was born in was born in Upper Macungie township, March 11, 1874. His public schooling was supplemented by attending the Kutztown Normal, from which he graduated in 1894. He took the scientific course; graduated from Pierce Business College in 1898, then taught three terms in Upper Macungie, one in Lower Maucngie township, and for one term was lecturer in the John Wanamaker School, Philadelphia. During 1901 he was lecturer in the Broad street Y. M. C. A., at Philadelphia. He attended the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating therefrom with the degree of M.D. in 1907. For three summers, he was employed in the dispensary of the University and was assistant to Dr. Hirst in obstetrical work in his down-town section, for some time. Locating in Allentown in September, 1907, he has built up a large practice. He is a member of the Reformed Church and of Greenleaf lodge. On Aug. 4, 1905, he married Lillie A., daughter of Leon and Leanna (German) Peters, of Germansville. His wife had taught school for five terms.

Henry Haas, who came from the Palatinate, was born Oct. 10, 1750 and died May 14, 1813. He settled near Breinigsville, Lehigh county, and was married to Catharine Breinig, who was born June 10, 1759; died Dec. 6, 1837. Both are buried on the Jordan Reformed cemetery. They had nine children: Christina, Henry, George, Peter, Isaac, Jonathan, Abraham, Elizabeth, and Sallie.

Henry Haas, Jr., was married to Susanna Hottenstein, and their children were: Mary, m. to Solomon Peter; Lucy, m. to Henry Brophy, of Allentown; Caroline, m. to Edwin Herber; Malinda, m. to Joseph Kunkle; Sallie, m. to John Deily; Eliza, m. to Mr. Frohn, of New Jersey; Telia, died in infancy; Levi, m. to Sarah Deily; Samuel; Moses, m. to Telara Guth; Peter, m. to Amanda Schmoyer, and Alfred, m. to Maria Knerr.

Samuel, son of Henry, Jr., was born in Upper Macungie township, on the old homestead in 1832. He resided near Fogelsville until in 1878,



when he came to Allentown and continued his trade of saddler on North Fourth street, between Hamilton and Linden, where he also resided. He married Angelina, daughter of William Krauss, the issue being: Rosa, deceased; Charles, of Shamrock, Pa.; Phaon, of Allentown; Calvin and Frank, of Allentown; Henry, deceased; Joseph L.; and Solomon, of Allentown.

JOSEPH L. HAAS, superintendent of the Weibacher Silk Mills, Allentown, was born at Fogselsville, Nov. 15, 1871. He learned the ribbon-weaving trade, when 16 years old and has followed that in various capacities ever since, as weaver for about twelve years, when he was promoted to loom-fixer. The following year he was promoted to foreman and in 1897 he was made superintendent of the above mills. He belongs to Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M. and F. O. E. He assisted in the building of the Reformed Church in South Allentown, being one of the early teachers of the Sunday school when it was being conducted in the old school previous to the erection of the church. In 1892 he married Ellen, daughter of David A. and Emelina (Snyder) Tomblor, the issue being Helen, who died at the age of eight; Bessie; Lillian; Joseph, Jr.; and Reba, who died in infancy.

Isaac Haas, son of Henry and Catharine (Breinig) Haas, was born in Upper Macungie township, June 25, 1786. He was a farmer, and lies buried at the Morgenland church. His wife was Catharine Mohr, died Oct. 24, 1859. The issue was: Isaac, David, Henry, Elias, of Montour county; Elizabeth, m. to Sylvester Guth; and Sarah, m. to William Litzenberger.

Henry Haas, son of Isaac, was born in Upper Macungie township in 1813, where he followed the vocation of farming. His wife had been Maria (Polly) Semmel, the issue being: Lewis, of Allentown; J. Amanda, m. to Aaron Arner; Rosa, deceased, m. to Elias Peter; Ellis; and Milton P., of Allentown.

Ellis Haas, son of Henry, is a farmer at Rising Sun, Lehigh county, where he was born in 1851. For a number of years he followed the trade of shoemaker, but later turned to farming. His wife and himself are members of the Jordan Lutheran church. His first wife had been Isabella, daughter of Levi Haas, of Haas' Mill. She died in 1900, the issue being: Harvey, Nelson, Elwood A., William, Laura, Quinton, Claude, Ada, Edwin, and three infants who died. He was married a second time to Alice Krause.

ELWOOD A. HAAS, wholesale dealer of ice cream at Allentown, was born at Haas' Mill, Jan. 29, 1880. He learned the trade of shoemaking, which he followed as journeyman for three years. He then learned the baking business, at which

he was employed for seven years. On Sept. 1, 1910, he engaged in the manufacturing and dealing in ice cream. He has a factory and ice cream parlor, employing five people. He belongs to the Fraternal Order of Eagles and his entire family are members of the Reformed Church. He was married in 1903 to Katie, daughter of Joseph and Caroline (Kolb) Schwoyer. Mr. Schwoyer is a blacksmith and was born on Jan. 22, 1856. His children being: Katie; Maggie; Susanna; Matilda; Emma; and Joseph. Mr. and Mrs. Haas have a daughter, Elda Isabella.

MILTON P. HAAS, of Allentown, was born Aug. 1, 1856, in Upper Macungie township, upon the Haas homestead, son of Henry and Maria (Semmel) Haas. At the age of eighteen years he learned the shoe-making trade, which he followed at various places until in 1880, then he came to Allentown to accept a position as shoe clerk with Koch, Haas, & Keck, located at No. 805 Hamilton street. He remained in their employ about five years; then accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Company, traveling over Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and Eastern Ohio. He served this corporation for five years, when he resigned to accept a similar position with Philip Schneider, Shoe Manufacturer at Allentown, and he remained with this house for seven years. Afterward he became associated with his son, H. Ray Haas, in the printing business. Their large establishment is located at No. 312 North Jefferson street, Allentown.

Mr. Haas is prominently identified with the following lodges: Greenleaf Lodge No. 561, F. & A. M.; and Camp No. 406, P. O. S. of A.

Mr. Haas and his wife are charter members of Trinity Reformed church, which he has served as an elder for a number of years; and Mr. Haas has been a teacher in the Sunday school for almost a quarter of a century.

He was married on March 30, 1886, to Lena L. Flexer, daughter of the late David and Rebecca (Dorney) Flexer. Unto them is born an only son, H. Ray Haas.

H. RAY HAAS, a printer at Allentown, was born April 22, 1887, at Ashley, Luzerne county, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown and learned the printing trade at the age of fourteen years. When less than seventeen years old he engaged in the business for himself and he is now the head of the firm of H. Ray Haas & Co., which was built up by strict attention to business. This house is one of the largest printing establishments in Allentown.

Mr. Haas has membership in the following lodges: Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O.

F.; is Past Chief of Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; is Past Councillor, and Financial Secretary of Jordan Council No. 746, Fraternal Patriotic Americans; and Jordan Commandry No. 102, A. and I. O. K. of M.

He was married on Oct. 24, 1908, to Claudia C. Whitner, daughter of E. H. and Flora (Cher-rington) Whitner, of Allentown, formerly of Columbia county, Pa. Unto them is born a daughter—Lorene Evelyn Haas.

Jeremiah B. Haas, real estate dealer of Allentown, was born in Upper Macungie, Oct. 1, 1851. Reared upon the farm, he after marriage, moved to Guthsville, where one year later he began the butcher business, which he conducted for three years. Moving to Allentown in 1881, he continued in the butcher business to 1907, when he turned his attention to the real estate business. His entire family are members of Trinity United Evangelical church, which he served for fifteen years in various capacities as trustee, steward, and class-leader. December 19, 1869, he married Telilah T. Heilman, b. Aug. 16, 1850; d. June 26, 1901. The children are: Charles, Lizzie J., b. 1874; d. 1875; Hattie R., m. to Charles C. Baus, butcher, of Allentown; and Frederick W., m. to Edna Snyder. The latter is a poultry raiser in Bucks county and has a daughter, Chrystal.

Manasses Israel Haas, son of Nathan Haas, was born July 31, 1849, in South Whitehall township. After acquiring his education in the public schools, he removed to Allentown and learned the machinist's trade, with the Barber Foundry & Machine Company. After he had become master of the business he was appointed foreman of the company, holding this position for twenty-two years, until his death. He superintended the building of the engine first used for printing a newspaper in Allentown. He was a member and choir leader of the Salem Reformed church and very active in church work. He was bass cornet player in the old Allentown City Band. He died Jan. 29, 1888, and was buried in West End cemetery.

Manasses Israel Haas married, Nov. 19, 1870, Martha Jane Rex, born Nov. 1, 1854, daughter of Archibald and Mary (Layton) Rex. They had six children: (1) Jennie Elmira, born Dec. 18, 1872; (2) Harvey O., of whom below; (3) Minerva Estella, born Sept. 2, 1877, died June 10, 1890; (4) Beulah Agnes, born Sept. 6, 1879; (5) Carrie Irene, born Oct. 8, 1881; (6) Annie Adelia, born Nov. 26, 1883; and (7) Lucy Ruth, born Dec. 18, 1885, died Nov. 18, 1908.

Jennie Elmira (1) married Leroy Ritter, an engineer on the L. V. R. R., residing at Lehigh-ton, Pa. Beulah Agnes (4) married Harvey H.

Lauer, of Allentown. Carrie Irene (5) married Edwin Arner, machinist. Annie Adelia (6) married Robert Dech, of Allentown.

HARVEY OSCAR HAAS, second child and only son of Manasses Israel and Martha Jane (Rex) Haas, was born March 29, 1874, in Allentown. His opportunities for acquiring an education were very limited, for at the age of twelve years his father dying, he was obliged to secure employment. He first worked in a silk mill for three years for a mere pittance. He then entered the employ of the Yeager Furniture Company, remaining about eighteen months. He next secured employment with the American Steel & Wire Company, where he succeeded in working himself up to a fair position during the eleven years he continued with the company. On account of ill health he was obliged to resign the position he had worked so faithfully to attain. He next took a position with J. W. Barner, as manager of the old Grand Central Hotel. In 1905 he purchased the property of Mr. Barner, changing the name to the Metropole Cafe (Trade Mark, "White Rabbit.") Mr. Haas organized the Gilt Edge Hunting & Fishing Club, of Allentown. He goes to the state of Maine each winter to hunt and fish and is an all around sportsman.

Mr. Haas is a member of the following named organizations: F. O. E., Owls, K. of Mystic Chain, Red Men, Clover Club, Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. and A. M., and the Lutheran Church.

Harvey O. Haas married, June 24, 1909, Lena M. Bortz, daughter of Alvin and Angelina (Trexler) Bortz. They have one son: George Irwin Archibald Haas.

#### HACKMAN FAMILY.

Isaac Hackman was born in Forks township, Northampton county, Pa. He was a farmer and butcher in Bethlehem township. His wife was Margaret Koehler. They were Reformed members of the Hecktown church and there they are also buried. Their children were: Peter, Isaac, Abraham, Samuel and Eliza, wife of William Kleppinger.

Isaac Hackman, son of Isaac, was born Nov. 17, 1817, in Bethlehem township. He died at Bethlehem, Pa., where he operated a grist mill for a number of years. He married Sophia H. Nagel, a daughter of Daniel and Maricha (Rockel) Nagel. She died Dec. 19, 1894, aged 72 years, 8 months and 10 days. He died March 5, 1864. Both are buried in the graveyard at Shoenersville. Their children were: Owen, who died an infant; Thomas W., of Kansas City, Mo.; Amandes, of Allentown; Benjamin (1847-1891); Erwin S.; David M.,



who died and is buried at Kansas City, Mo.; and Mary Elemina (1857-1890) was married to Charles Becker. Abraham Hackman, son of Isaac, was born in 1820, and died in his 82nd year. He was married to Lovina Knauss, a daughter of John Knauss. She died about 1897. They were members of the Reformed church and are buried at Bethlehem, Pa. He was a butcher for some years at Rittersville, but later followed laboring and lived at what is now known as Manhattan, on the Allentown and Bethlehem pike. His homestead is now owned by John F. Horn, the florist, who built large green-houses there. Mr. Hackman originally was a Democrat but later became a Republican and he served in various township offices. His three sons served in the Civil War. Their children follow: Charles A., Martin H., Matilda (m. Owen H. Ott), John P., Ellen U. (became the second wife of Owen H. Ott, after her sister had died), and Sarah died aged thirteen years.

CHARLES A. HACKMAN, a retired citizen of Allentown, was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, December 10, 1839. When eighteen years old he learned the carpenter trade and on April 20, 1861, he entered the Union Army as a member of Company I, First Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, "Allen Rifles," and was mustered out, July 27, 1861. The First Pennsylvania Infantry was organized at Harrisburg, Pa., April 20, 1861; served in the Second Brigade, Second Division, Patterson's Army, from June 5, to July 21, 1861, moved to near Cockeysville, Md.; April 20, to York, Pa., and did duty there until May 4; duty on Northern Central Railroad until May 25; and at Catonsville and Franklinton until June 3; duty near Funkstown, Md., June 7-21. Reconnoissance to Williamsport, June 16-17. Affair at Edwards Ferry, June 17; duty at Frederick, June 22 to July 5, and at Martinsburg, Va., July 8-16. Marched to Charlestown, July 16; to Harpers Ferry July 21; to Sandy Hook July 23; thence to Harrisburg, Pa.; mustered out July 27, 1861; re-enlisted for service as a private in Company G, 47th Penn'a Vol. Infantry, Sept. 18, 1861; promoted to Sergeant; to first Sergeant March 2, 1862; to second lieutenant June 18, 1863, to rank from October 22, 1862; to Captain Nov. 30, 1864; was in command of Company E, from August to October, 1864. Honorably discharged Nov. 5, 1864, as a brevet captain. His brother, Martin H. Hackman, served in the same company with him during the whole service.

After the war, Mr. Hackman worked at his trade in the Reading Car shops, until in December, 1866, he was transferred to their shops at Thirteenth and Callowhill streets, Philadel-

phia, as car inspector, serving the company faithfully for twenty years. In 1901, Mr. Hackman retired from active work; and in November of that year, settled at Allentown, and enjoys the comfort and blessings of a well-spent life. He is a member of the Odd Fellows.

He married in 1865, Amelia Weaver, a daughter of George and Miss (Beidler) Weaver. His wife died on November 2, 1904, in her sixty-ninth year. She is buried on the family plot in West End cemetery, Allentown, where the "Hackman Monument" marks the grave. They were members of the Trinity Reformed church which he served as an elder for a number of years, but is now a member of St. John's Reformed church.

Erwin S. Hackman, of Shoenersville, Pa., was born July 24, 1849, and is a son of Isaac and Sophia H. Hackman, of Northampton county. He worked as a hired man until in 1872 he began farming and continued two years. In 1876 he began farming again and has continued to this time. He has lived in Moore, East Allen and Hanover townships, in Northampton county; and since 1897 he lives at Shoenersville, where he has a tract of forty acres of valuable land, and laid stress upon dairy farming until he retired in 1913. He is one of the elders of the Reformed congregation of Christ's church, since 1906 and has also been a deacon for seven years. In 1910 he helped to write the Shoenersville church history which was published in a volume of 74 pages. He was a school-director and supervisor.

On May 18, 1873 he married Ida L. A. Lesch, a daughter of Nathan and Catharine (Shoener) Lesch. Their children are: Maggie C. (1873-1880); Camilla, married Harvey W. Heckman; Sarah, married Thomas Gogel; Lizzie, married Steward Heller; Charles (1883-1884), and Lulu married Jonas Young.

#### HAGENBUCH FAMILY.

The name originally was Bach Von Hagen, which finally was changed to Hagenbuch.

Among the pioneer settlers of Pennsylvania, was Andreas Hagenbuch, who with his wife, Magdalena, emigrated from Germany on the ship, "Charming Nancy," which landed at Philadelphia, Oct. 8, 1737, having aboard one hundred and five men, twenty-five boys, and one hundred and seven women and girls. That the journey was a rough and perilous one is proven by the ship's record of sickness. Where this pioneer had lived during the first years of his life in Pennsylvania's province is not known, but as early as 1743 he had already established himself in Allemängel, or Albany township, Berks

county, where his name appears upon the tax lists of 1752-56-57-59. In the latter year he is recorded as having paid a federal tax of seven pounds. The tax list of 1756 records not only the name of Andreas Hagenbuch but also that of Jacob Hagenbuch, who doubtless was a son. He was assessed as a single man. It is probable that some of the oldest children of Andreas and Magdalena Hagenbuch were born in Germany and came with their parents across the ocean in 1737.

The name Allemängel was applied to a large territory of land lying south along the Blue mountain. The present township of Albany, in Berks county, and Lynn township, in Lehigh county, include the territory of Allemängel, which meant "All Wants" and was given because of the arid condition of the land.

During the French and Indian War, from 1755 to 1763 Allemängel was on the frontier and its sparsely settled inhabitants suffered indescribable cruelties from the hands of the savage Indians who killed, massacred, and carried away as captives about one hundred of its people. That Andreas Hagenbuch and family suffered anxiety and hardship cannot be doubted.

*The Monthly Journal* for July, 1757, of Colonel Jacob Morgan contains the following items:

July the 1st. Sent a corporal with eleven men on a scout to Allemaengel, who staid all night.

2d. The scout returned from Allemaengel and reported they had made no discovery of the enemy.

3d. Sent party to range, to Allemaengel.

4th. Our men returned to Allemaengel, and reported that some of the inhabitants that were afraid near the mountain were moving downward.

5th, 6th, 7th. Was exceeding heavy rain and water very high.

8th. Being a day of Humiliation we applied ourselves thereto.

Owing to the massacres and depredations in Albany township the Hagenbuch family withdrew from that territory. Among the sons of the pioneer were: Henry, Christian, Jacob, and John. They all served in the Revolutionary War from Northampton county. Henry Hagenbuch had settled in Northampton Town (now Allentown) as early as 1773, being licensed in that year to keep a tavern which occupied the site of the present Bowen Grocery Company, on Hamilton street. This building was known as the Hagenbuch Opera House before it was used by the grocery company. He was commissioned a lieutenant on May 22, 1775 of the Salisbury Company, with a total rank and file of one hundred men. On July 9, 1776, he was commissioned

captain of a company, which was a part of the flying camp of 10,000 men commanded by Colonel Hart. On Aug. 6, 1776, Captain Hagenbuch and company were encamped at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, and on August 27th, of the same year, they participated in the battle of Long Island, in which some of Captain Hagenbuch's men were wounded. He continued to be active with the associators and militia of Northampton county as late as April 23, 1783. After the Revolutionary War he continued to live in Allentown, being succeeded in the hotel business by his son, Jacob, and he by Jacob (second), whose sons, Benjamin J. and Charles H., carried on the same house, the "Cross Keys" in later years. The hotel was conducted by members of the family for nearly one hundred years. Captain Henry Hagenbuch was born Jan. 20, 1736, died April 20, 1803, at Allentown, aged sixty-seven years and four months. His wife, Susanna (Wettsein) Hagenbuch, died June 82, 1823, aged eighty years, one month and eight days. They are buried in the old Allentown cemetery.

Christian Hagenbuch, son of the ancestor, Andreas Hagenbuch, tradition states, returned to Albany township after the close of the French and Indian War and continued to reside there until after 1790, when he settled in Allen township, Northampton county, where he died between the making of his will, Jan. 16, 1812, and the probating of it, Feb. 7, 1812. In the will he provides well for his beloved wife, Susan, and appointed Andrew Hagenbuch and John Weaver as his executors. Items of this interesting document follow:

"My sons, Andrew and Joseph, shall have the plantation, all farm stock and appurtenances where I now live.

"My daughter, Polly, shall have 166 pounds.

"My daughter, Mary, married to John Coleman, shall have 166 pounds.

"My son, John, shall have 166 pounds.

"My daughter, Elizabeth, shall have 166 pounds.

"My son, Andrew, shall have the sum of 200 pounds annually."

Susan Hagenbuch, the wife, died early in 1825, in Allen township. She also had made a will, dated Dec. 29, 1824, and it was probated April 22, 1825. The executor of it was Jacob Deshler, the husband of her daughter, Elizabeth.

Jacob Hagenbuch, son of Captain Henry Hagenbuch, made his last will and testament on Nov. 17, 1810. At that time he was an inn-keeper in the town of Northampton. The will refers to land situated in Salisbury township; to his beloved wife, Margaret, whom he appoints with



John Romig, "my friend and brother to my beloved wife, as executor and guardian over my children." The will further states, "my sons shall be sent to school and shall be brought up in the Lutheran Church." The will, which was probated Nov. 11, 1811, mentions the following sons: Jacob, Joseph, John, and Daniel. Jacob succeeded his father to the hotel business; married Elizabeth Geeth; children: Benjamin, Charles, George, and John. Margaret (Romig) Hagenbuch, the mother of these sons, was born May 18, 1765, died March 30, 1845, aged nearly eighty years.

Daniel Hagenbuch, son of Jacob Hagenbuch, was a farmer in Moore township and one of the most prominent men in the northern part of Northampton county, having a farm of about 300 acres. He was a member of the Reformed Church. He died, aged seventy-three years, and his remains were interred in the cemetery at Moorestown. He married Hannah Steckel, who also died, aged seventy-three years. Children: John, married Catharine Heckman; Jacob, mentioned below; Mary, married David Heckman; Peter, married Miss Hawk, of Nazareth, Pa.; Daniel, married Sophia Hoch, he died in September, 1913, survived by his wife; Stephen, was killed on the homestead while building a new barn; he married Sarah Sholl, who now resides in Moorestown.

Jacob Hagenbuch, son of Daniel Hagenbuch, was born Sept. 15, 1830, died Sept. 22, 1893, at Bethlehem, Pa. He married Elizabeth A. Loehr, born Feb. 13, 1831, daughter of John and Elizabeth A. (Bartholomew) Loehr, the former was born in Bedminster township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, Jan. 7, 1788, died Nov. 11, 1877, and the latter named born April 22, 1792, died Oct. 28, 1877, both buried at Nazareth, Pa. Children: Thomas H., born Sept. 17, 1851, married Ida Heist, Allentown, Pa.; children: Joseph J., born March 25, 1873, Edward Allen, born Jan. 3, 1876; Frank, born May 15, 1879; Elizabeth, died, aged nine months. Lewis Benjamin, born July 15, 1853, died Aug. 29, 1855; Allen Wesley, mentioned below; Victor Eugene, born Feb. 25, 1859, married Agnes Struthers, died Sept. 15, 1897, one child, Adell Virginia Hilda, born June 9, 1882; Wilson Jacob, born Dec. 31, 1863, died Aug. 28, 1864; Mary H., born April 7, 1865, married Harry Ludwig; Lizzie H., born April 23, 1868; married Charles Solt, Bethlehem; Hilda C., born Sept. 7, 1871, married Harry Jenkins, Bethlehem, Pa.; John Daniel, born Jan. 24, 1873, Bethlehem, Pa.; married Katherine Blackwood, of Camden, New Jersey.

Dr. Allen Wesley Hagenbuch, who changed

his name to Hagenbach, son of Jacob Hagenbuch, was born June 14, 1856, in Moore township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania. He attended the Rush Medical College, Chicago, and graduated with honors. He was a physician, an alienist of reputation, was for some years superintendent of the Cook County Insane Asylum of Chicago, one of the largest institutions of its kind in the West, but his successful medical career was cut short at the age of thirty-three by death. A cut in a finger while demonstrating surgery before a clinic resulted in blood poisoning which developed into lung trouble.

He went to Red Bluff, California, for his health, living there for three years with his family and died on a train near Cleveland, Tenn., in 1890, while returning home. His remains were interred in Nisky Hill cemetery, Bethlehem, Pa. He married Agnes S. Hertzog, a native of Alburtis, Lehigh county, Pa. Children: May Elizabeth, born May 1, 1879, at Chicago, Ill.; Allen Wesley, mentioned below; Rush Emery, born Aug. 12, 1885.

ALLEN WESLEY HAGENBACH, son of Dr. Allen Wesley Hagenbach, was born in Chicago, Illinois, December 29, 1880. Following the death of his father, Allen Wesley, who was then only ten years of age, went to Alburtis, Lehigh county, Pa., and lived with his maternal grandparents for the following eight years. During that period he attended the public schools and later entered the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, from which institution he was graduated in 1896. After his graduation he taught school for a year. In 1898, when the Spanish-American War broke out, he enlisted in Company B, Fourth Regiment, Pa. Vol. Infantry, and took part in General Miles' Expedition to Porto Rico, enlisting from the City of Allentown, and at the end of the war received an honorable discharge. He then located at Bethlehem, Pa., where he worked for two years in the offices of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. In 1900 he entered upon the study of law in the offices of Hon. M. C. L. Kline, in Allentown, and in 1903 he was admitted to practice in the courts of Lehigh county, and since that time to the higher courts of the state. He has followed the legal profession ever since his admission to the bar.

Mr. Hagenbach received the Republican nomination for district attorney in 1911. In 1913 he became a candidate for judge on the Progressive ticket, his opponents being Judge Trexler and Hon. C. A. Groman, the latter being the successful candidate. Upon the organization of the Spanish-American War Veterans, he was chosen, in 1904, their first department adjutant

general, of Pennsylvania and was re-elected in 1905.

He was one of the organizers of the Bethlehem Trust Company and has been its solicitor and trust officer since its incorporation.

He is a member of the Livingstone Club and other local organizations.

Mr. Hagenbach married, Nov. 29, 1911, Miriam L. Kleppinger, daughter of George H. Kleppinger, of Allentown, Pa. [See History of Kleppinger Family.]

#### HAHN FAMILY.

Among the early settlers in the upper section of Northampton county was the Hahn family. The progenitor was John Hahn, born about 1760, and married to Barbara Bender. They had seven children: Jacob, George, Philip, John, Frederick, Catharine, and Elizabeth.

Jacob, the eldest son, was born May 18, 1788, in Bushkill township, and died Aug. 25, 1862. He married Anna Heebner, born Feb. 9, 1791, and died March 24, 1872, and they had eight children: Charles; Jacob; Lydia, married Joseph Hagenbuch; Abraham; Mary, married Jacob Bender; Sophie, married Jonas Andrews; Susan, married Joseph Everett; and Elias.

John, the fourth son named, was born Nov. 15, 1799, in Bushkill township, and followed the trade of a stone mason. He married Lydia Marsh, born Nov. 15, 1801, and they had seven children: Stephen, born 1822, died 1887; John, born 1827, died 1904; Richard, born 1829, died 1879; Catharine Ann, born 1832, married to Joseph Kennin; Jackson, born 1835; Freeman, born 1838, died 1842; and Reuben, born 1844.

Phaon Hahn was born March 21, 1831, in Bushkill township. He carried on farming there for a time, then conducted the Centre Hotel in that township, and the Clearfield Hotel (in connection with a wheelwright shop) until 1885, when he moved to Catasauqua, and conducted the American House until his decease, Dec. 16, 1887. In 1852 he married Mary Ann, daughter of Charles and Juliana (Winters) Fehr, and they had eight children: Alfred; William J.; Julia; Ella; Araminta; Granville; Emma; and Lillie, married Jeremiah F. Kern. They were members of the Reformed congregation at Mickley's church, where he was buried.

GRANVILLE HAHN, one of the sons of Phaon, and a prominent politician and official of Northampton county, was born Sept. 9, 1861, in Bushkill township. He attended the public schools until he became nineteen years old; then worked on the railroad and in a store until 1884, when he directed his attention to the slate industry, and, after working about quarries for five years

to familiarize himself with operations there, he associated with Thomas Zellner and Owen Kern in the slate business at Slatington. In 1898 he embarked in the business for himself and since then he has been successfully engaged in manufacturing blackboards and structural slate products, and giving employment to twenty men. He also identified himself with the Eureka Slate Company, a large and successful operation, and with the mercantile firm of Hahn & Griffith Brothers, at Walnutport, as the senior partner, and since 1906 with the Slatington National Bank as a director.

Mr. Hahn has been actively interested in local politics as a Democrat for many years. He served as a school director and as assessor of the township; also as county chairman for four years. He officiated as sheriff of Northampton county, from 1902 to 1905, and afterward was elected county treasurer in 1908, an exceptional honor, for, until that time, no office-holder was subsequently selected by the party to fill another county office, which evidenced the high estimation in which he was held by the electors of the county.

In 1880, Mr. Hahn was married to Mona, a daughter of Philip Andrews, and they have one child, a daughter, named Zenobia A., who was graduated from the Walnutport high school, and also the American Commercial College, at Allentown. Her husband fills the position of master mechanic of the Coplay Cement Company.

#### HAINES FAMILY.

John Wilhelm Haines, (Haintz) born in Zweibrucken, Bavaria, emigrated to America in 1751. He purchased 300 acres of land near Trexlertown which he cultivated in connection with his trade of tailor. The cornerstone of the Trexlertown church was laid in 1784, and Mr. Haines was one of the building committee of this church. At his decease he was interred in the cemetery, adjoining this church. John Wilhelm Haines married Barbara Wink. Issue: William; Jacob; George; John; Peter; Adam; Sarah (Mrs. John Koch); Maria, married (first) Mr. Bechtel, and (second) Mr. Erdel.

William Haines, the eldest son of John W. and Barbara (Wink) Haines, married Miss Bieber, daughter of Dewalt Bieber. Issue: Benjamin; Jacob; John; Solomon; Elizabeth; and Julia Haines.

Jacob Haines, the second son of John Wilhelm and Barbara (Wink) Haines, married Maria Schmidt. Issue: William; Jacob; John; Benjamin; Christiana, (Mrs. Frederick Kline); Anna (Mrs. Philip Haffner); Rebecca (Mrs.



Oliver Snyder); Sallie (Mrs. Solomon Kuder) and Polly.

George Haines, the third son of John W. and Barbara (Wink) Haines, became the owner of the property known as the Haines farm, at Haines tavern. He married Miss Schwartz. Issue: John, Isaac, and a daughter whose name is not recalled.

Peter Haines the fifth son of John W. and Barbara (Wink) Haines, was born Aug. 29, 1765, died Oct. 5, 1828. He purchased the Old Haines homestead and during his life was a farmer and merchant. He married Maria Barbara Becker, daughter of Gottlieb Becker. Issue: Jacob; Joseph (migrated to Ohio); James; Charles B. (married Leah Schwartz, daughter of Jonathan Schwartz). Issue: C. Frank Haines, for many years connected with the *Allentown Democrat*; Simon, Mary, (Mrs. William E. Esser), Eliza J. and Allen W. Haines; William, Jonathan, Thomas, Elizabeth (Mrs. Joseph Trexler).

Jacob Haines, the eldest son of Peter and Maria Barbara (Becker) Haines, was born Jan. 15, 1800. He married Elizabeth Siegfried. Issue: Joseph; Charles; Sallie (Mrs. Daniel Schmoyer).

Joseph Haines, eldest son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Siegfried) Haines, married Sarah Schlegel, daughter of Jacob Schlegel. Issue: Sallie, (Mrs. George Romig); Hattie, (Mrs. Henry Kuhns); Jacob S.; Susan (Mrs. Levi Fields); Joseph H.; Ida (Mrs. Edward Holben; Hiram H.; Rebecca; Adora (Mrs. Adam Desch); Wilson; Alice (Mrs. Horace Haus).

Jacob S. Haines, the eldest son of Joseph and Sarah (Schlegel) Haines, a life-long farmer settled in South Whitehall township in 1881. In 1906 he purchased the Lafenus Lichtenwalner mill at Cetronia. He built his present large brick dwelling in 1911. He is a member of the Cetronia Lutheran Church and has served it as treasurer, deacon and elder for twelve years.

Jacob S. Haines married Lillian Lichtenwalner, daughter of Joseph B. and Ellen (Moyer) Lichtenwalner. Issue: Ira; William and Ella Haines. Ira married Ida Grim.

#### JAMES O. HAINES.

James O. Haines, merchant of Slatington, Pa., a member of the firm of Haines Bros., was born in that borough, April 10, 1863. He received his education in the public schools of Mauch Chunk, Pa., where he resided in youth. He began clerking in the general merchandise store of Kuntz & Co., at Slatington, where he remained for three years, after which he worked for three years in the machine shop of Wm. H. Stroh. En-

tering the employment of Kuntz & Haines he continued as clerk with them until 1896, when he was admitted as a partner under the firm of Kuntz & Haines Bros. In 1901 the senior member of the firm died and the firm was changed to Haines Bros. This is the largest and the leading department store in the upper end of Lehigh county. The store is located at 650-652 Main street, Slatington. Mr. Haines is connected with the Washington Slate Company as a director and with the Blue Vein Slate Company, of Slatedale, as a director and secretary. Socially he is connected with the following organizations: Slatington Lodge No. 440, F. and A. M.; The Slatington Lodge, Council No. 68, Jr. O. U. A. M. of Slatington, and the P. O. S. of A., Camp 108 of Mauch Chunk. He and family are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a member of the choir for more than a quarter of a century. In 1886 he was married to Emma Engler, a daughter of John and Mary (Shimmel) Engler, of Portland, Northampton county. Mrs. Engler was a daughter of Jacob Shimmel, who in June, 1911, was 98 years old, residing at Mt. Bethel, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Haines have one son, Russel E., a student at college.

#### JOHN FRANKLIN HAINES.

John Franklin Haines, a prominent contractor and a life long resident of Allentown, Pa., son of William Haines, was born Jan. 7, 1860, in Allentown. His opportunities for acquiring an education were very limited.

At the age of eleven years, he entered the employment of Gen. Frey, working in his brick yard, continuing there for a period of twenty years. His father dying in 1887, he became the head of the family, contributing to the support of his mother and family. He later was employed in the wool mill of Shimer & Pretz for some time.

He became a member of the borough council; was constable for sixteen years. Entered the service of the L. V. R. R. Co. in 1896, as a road detective between Allentown and Philadelphia, and continued in this position for thirteen years.

He arrested many noted criminals, some of whom met the death penalty. At times he had forty men under him. Resigning this position in 1909, he contracted with the City of Allentown to collect and remove all garbage, which contract he still holds. He also owns a 70-acre farm in Salisbury township and operates the same. At this date he employs upwards of thirty-five men and fourteen teams, in both lines of his work.

Mr. Haines is a member of the Rescue Fire Department No. 8, of which he was president for some years. He is also a member of the State Firemen's Association, and has attended most of

its conventions. Is also a member of several fraternities; is a staunch Democrat. His life motto has been the "Golden Rule."

John F. Haines married in 1883, Melinda Seipel, daughter of Aaron Seipel. They had one child, Mamie, who married Tillman Reuber, of the Allentown Fence Co.

Mr. Haines' father was William Haines, born 1838, who married Miss Ackerman, daughter of Henry Ackerman. Their children were: Henry who died aged 23 years; John Franklin, the subject of our sketch; Emma, married Daniel Whitehouse and died at the age of 18 years; Anna, married Daniel Whitehouse as his second wife; Agnes, married a Mr. Zellner, and has a son, who is a physician.

Daniel Whitehouse who married Emma and (second) Anna Haines, has children: Blanet, John Henry, Walter Allen; Esther Margaret, Robert Daniel, William Charles and Milton Allen.

Blanet, married Joseph Wagner, John Henry married Helen Moyer, and William Charles married Catherine Seigler.

#### HENRY S. HALTZEL.

Henry S. Haltzel, president of the Standard Home Supply Company, of Allentown, was born in New York City in 1878, and after receiving his preliminary education, went South and there directed his studies for the legal profession, but he became interested in the advertising business in 1898 and since then has become prominently identified with it. After residing for a time at Norfolk, Va., and Baltimore, Md., he located at Wilkes-Barre in 1900, and in 1905 removed to Allentown, where he has since resided.

During his residence in Pennsylvania he displayed a most enterprising spirit in the organization and establishment of different business companies, among them being the firm of Isaac Benasch & Sons, in 1901, at Wilkes-Barre, as a branch of the Baltimore Furniture Company, the Haltzel Furniture Company, in 1904, at Pittston; the Prince Furniture Company, in 1905, at Allentown; the Prince Furniture and Carpet Company, in 1907, at Rochester; the Lehigh Star Bedding Company, in 1908, the Allen Publishing Company, in 1912, and the Standard Home Supply Company, and the Spare Moments Publishing Company, in 1914, all of Allentown, the last two named being located in a large brick building at Green and Penn streets, where an extensive business has since been developed which affords employment to several hundred hands.

In 1912, Mr. Haltzel was married to Marion Kline, a daughter of A. Kline, of Wilkes-Barre, and they have one child, a son named Robert

Kline. Mr. Haltzel has become prominently affiliated with the Masonic Fraternity, being a member of King David Lodge, No. 86, at Baltimore; the Irem Temple, at Wilkes-Barre; and the Scranton Consistory, 32°; also with the Elks, at Wilkes-Barre.

#### HAMM FAMILY.

John Daniel Hamm, from Switzerland, emigrated to this country on the ship "Hampshire," which landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 7, 1748, and on the ship's list of passengers, is recorded as twenty years of age. The exact time when he settled in Allemängel, in the territory now embraced in Lynn township, Lehigh county, is uncertain; but about 1761 he conveyed a deed of gift for the location of a church, which is situated at Jacksonville, this county. The deed reads as follows: "Des Evangelische Reformirten Kirche (gannant als Jacobs Kirche) soll zwei Acker sein, und solche zwei Acker verschreib ich Frank und Frei, ohne einigen austant," etc. "Auch gebe ich das Recht an die Spring zu gehen um zu trinken. Dieses land das ich Geschenkt habe ist gelegen an der Konigstrasze, eine halben meile von des Abraham Langen Haus." This last phrase translated reads: This land which I presented lies on King street, a half mile from the Abraham Long's House.

John Daniel Hamm was born in 1728. He was a pioneer settler at what is now Jacksonville, and a farmer by occupation, and there he is buried on the old graveyard, but in an unmarked grave. He was an old man when he died. His wife, Anna Maria, also died at an advanced age. Among their children were: Andraes (Andrew), Daniel, Nicolas, Richard and Barbara, born in 1764, and married in 1787 to Jacob Koenig (1763-1829). [See Koenig family in this volume.] The four sons fought in the War of Independence, from a district in which lived a number of Tories.

Andrew Hamm, in November, 1780, was a soldier in Capt. Matthias Brobst's company, 5th Penna. Associators of Militia from Northampton county. On Nov. 15, 1780, he entered active service of the 6th class in the 6th Battalion of Northampton county militia of Foot, under Capt. Frederick Sechler, on the frontier of said county. Andrew Hamm was honorably discharged Jan. 4, 1781, having received pay for one month and twenty-five days' service. He was a farmer in the vicinity of Lynnport where he owned land. The first Federal census in 1790 records him as the head of a family consisting of a wife, three sons under sixteen namely: John, Jonas, and Benjamin, and one daughter. Benjamin settled in Indiana, and during a severe winter visited his



relatives in Lehigh county. [Mrs. John J. Jones a daughter of William and Hannah (Hamm) Everett, stated that she was a school girl when her uncle made the visit.]

Daniel Hamm was an associator and militia man, in 1778, from Northampton county. He was a soldier in the Sixth class, of Capt. Matthias Brobst's company in the Third Battalion.

Nicholas Hamm, on March 26, 1776, enlisted as a private in Captain Henry Christ's company, of the Pennsylvania Rifle Regiment, commanded by Col. Samuel Miles, which was in active service in the battle of Long Island.

Richard Hamm was a private in Major Sturt's company in the Fifth Pennsylvania Regiment of Foot in the service of the United States, comanded by Col. Francis Johnson, for the month of April, 1780. (References Pennsylvania Archives, Fifth Series, Vols. II, III, IV and VIII.)

Jonas Hamm lived in Lynn township, near Rabert's Corner. He was a shoemaker by trade, which he followed for many years where his grandson, Jonas Hamm, now resides. The old buildings occupied by him are still standing. In the latter part of his life, he carried on farming. His farm contained upwards of 100 acres, which was divided into two parts, the homestead being owned by the grandson, Jonas, and the other part (some twenty acres), by another grandson, Edwin Hamm. His wife was Christina Schleicher and they had the following children: John; Benjamin; David; Kate, married to Henry Long; Hannah, married to William Everett; Elizabeth, married to Joseph Moyer, at Lehighon; Polly, married Theodore Kemmerer, at Lehighon; and Elemina, married to Daniel Koenig, and moved West. He and the family were members of the Reformed congregation of the Jacob's church at Jacksonville, where the burials were made of those who lived and died in the township.

John Hamm, son of Jonas, was born in Lynn township, and there lived where his son Jonas now resides. He was a shoemaker, carpenter and farmer by occupation, and had his father's homestead.

He was buried at Jacksonville. His wife was Malinda Long, a daughter of Daniel Long. They had seventeen children: Amanda, William, Carolina, Daniel, Edwin, Alvin, Thomas, John J., Jonas, Theodore, Alice, Rose E., Albert, Mary, Katie, and Hannah, and one whose name could not be recalled.

Benjamin Hamm, the second son of Jonas, occupied a property which was situated in the townships of Lynn and Heidelberg. He was a carpenter by trade but also carried on farming. His wife was Carolina Handwerk and their children

were: Lena, Sallie, Emelina, Jane, Mena, Cora, Elvin, Albert, and Osville G.

David Hamm, the third son of Jonas, lived in Lynn township and owned the farm now occupied by his nephew, John J. Hamm, where he carried on carpentering and farming. His wife was Leanda Brobst, and they had the following children: Andrew, Milton, Elmer, Henry, Ida, Emma, Elemina, Urana, Lena, and Susan, the last named dying young.

EDWIN HAMM, the eldest surviving son of John Hamm, carpenter and farmer of Lynn township, was born Feb. 1, 1862, on the homestead of his grandfather, Jonas Hamm. He learned the trade of carpenter when he reached the age of eighteen years and has followed it until the present time, carrying on a farm in connection with his trade. He has been a boss carpenter since 1900, at times employing a considerable number of hands. He erected many of the houses and barns in that section of Lehigh county, together with a number of buildings across the mountain in Schuylkill county; and also at Schnecksville, Kempton and other places. His farm embraces 52 acres, on which he raises many potatoes. He erected on it an improved dwelling in 1890, and an improved barn in 1896. In politics he is a Republican.

His wife was Montana Leiby, daughter of Reuben and Eliza (Wertman) Leiby, and they have five children: George A., Francis A., Annie A., Carrie M., and Ralph, the last having died when nine years old. He and the family are members of the Reformed congregation at Jacksonville.

John J. Hamm, son of John Hamm, slater and farmer of Lynn township, owns and occupies a Hamm homestead of 37 acres near Lynnport, which was formerly owned by his uncle, David Hamm. An old log house on the place was erected before the Revolution which was used for a time as a distillery and then again as a dwelling until 1897, when Mr. Hamm substituted the present frame building. This farm was formerly the Follweiler place, and it was afterward owned by a Mr. Glace, a Mr. Everett, and David Hamm. The present owner became the purchaser in 1888. He is a Republican and has served the township as a supervisor and registry assessor. He was married in 1882 to Louisa Leiby, daughter of Charles and Sallie (Wertman) Leiby, and they have six children: Katie A., married to Charles Follweiler; Charles J.; Frank H.; Dora S.; Robert C.; and Meda M. He and the family are members of the Reformed congregation which worships in the Jacob's church, of which he was deacon for a time.

Jonas Hamm, the son of John, farmer and car-

penter of Lynn township, was born July 5, 1867, on the place which he now occupies. He learned the trade of carpenter when he became of age and he followed it for twelve years with his brother Edwin. In 1898 he purchased the homestead comprising 67 acres, and has since become an extensive potato grower. His father built the present dwelling house about 1891. He is affiliated with the Junior Order United American Mechanics.

He was married, July 28, 1900, to Ida Rau, daughter of Edwin and Mary (Philips) Rau, of Lynn township, and they have five children: Lillie; Paul; Roy, who died when five years old; Mazie, who died when four years old; and Lottie. He and the family are members of the Reformed congregation at the Ebenezer church.

Johannes Hamm, shoemaker and farmer, was born July 17, 1796. He owned the tract of land in Albany township now in the possession of Monroe Snyder. He and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of the New Bethel church. His wife was Esther Wanamaker, born June 19, 1800, and died April 10, 1863, aged 62 years, 9 months and 21 days. They had the following children: Leah, married Daniel Snyder; John, referred to later; Jacob, married and lived at Pine Dale, Schuylkill county, no children; Benjamin, died in young manhood; Catharine, married Charles Mengel; Emeline, second wife of Charles Mengel; Lucy, became the wife of Griffith Bachman; and Eliza, who is unmarried. Johannes Hamm died Dec. 11, 1871, aged 75 years, 4 months and 24 days, and was laid to rest with his wife in the cemetery of New Bethel church. The name was spelled on the tombstone, "Ham."

John M. Hamm was born in Albany township, Nov. 28, 1826. He was a shoemaker and a farmer. His son Samuel now owns the homestead whereon he resided. He also owned a small tract of some 20 acres, now in the possession of William Schroeder, and located near New Bethel church. The homestead consists of 160 acres, some of which is woodland. Here he resided until twenty years before his death. He was a Democrat and served as supervisor. He and his family were members of the New Bethel church, Reformed congregation, of which he was deacon and elder. He married Kate, daughter of Christian and Mary (Lutz) Knepper, born Nov. 28, 1827, and died Dec. 25, 1887. They were the parents of eight children, all living, as follows: Benjamin K., of Allentown; James and John, of Carbon county; Charles; Samuel, of Albany township; Mary, married Walter Keller; Sarah, married Allen Lutz; and Kate, single.

He died April 5, 1903, aged 76 years, 4 months and 17 days.

Charles Hamm, of this family, was born in Albany township, April 7, 1861. He began farming for himself on his father's property in 1888 and remained there as tenant four years, adding another year on the Sarah Braucher farm. Then he bought his present property, the Moses Yeaser farm, in 1893, located along Pine creek, two miles west of Albany. His place comprises 133 acres and twelve acres of potatoes is the average annual production, besides a large poultry business.

Mr. Hamm is well known in Democratic circles, and was elected a member of the township school board in 1907, and also served as township supervisor. He and his children are members of New Bethel Reformed congregation, but Mrs. Hamm is a Lutheran.

Mr. Hamm has been twice married: first to Emma L., daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Reinhart) Braucher, of Albany, born May 1, 1869, and died April 6, 1902. She is buried in New Bethel cemetery, and they had seven children: Mattie F., Minnie T., Hattie L., George D., Libbie G., Elsie K., Clarence R. On Dec. 5, 1902, Mrs. Amanda (Frey) Graff, widow of Edward Graff, became his second wife, and they had five children: Herman C., deceased; Annie M.; Anson M.; Abner H.; and Esther A.

DANIEL W. HAMM, son of Benjamin K., of Allentown, was born in Albany township, Berks county, Feb. 13, 1877. He was educated at Allentown, graduating from the high school in 1896, and from Muhlenberg College in 1901, when he became a teacher in the city schools. In 1910 he became an instructor in and since 1913 has been principal of the high school. He served the Federal government in the Bureau of Forestry in 1902 and 1903, having been stationed during the summer months of those years in the state of Maine. He is a member of the Reformed Church; also of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; and Lecha Wonk Tribe, No. 201½, I. O. R. M.

On Nov. 18, 1903, he married Jessie L. K. Cassel, daughter of Moses and Sarah (Lucas) Cassel, of Lansdale, Pa., and they had four children: Miriam C., deceased; Evelyn C. M., whose twin sister, Dorothea, died in infancy; and Frederick.

#### HAMMEL FAMILY.

Johannes Hammel, of Germany, emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1746, locating in what is now South Whitehall township, near Crackersport, Lehigh county. There he slept for six nights near



a spring in the wilderness. After living in that locality for a time, he and his two youngest sons left that section, but the oldest son Philip Hammel tarried there. In later years one of the brothers of Philip Hammel visited the latter, but where the ancestor and the sons had settled, is not remembered.

Philip Hammel, tradition states was born in Germany before the emigration of his parents and he was a "Redemptioner." He acquired several hundred acres of land near Walbert's Station in South Whitehall. His homestead which has since been divided into several farms, is now owned by his granddaughters, Mrs. Oscar Henninger and Mrs. Amanda Wisser.

Philip Hammel was a farmer, stone mason and cooper, following these trades in connection with tilling the soil. He adhered to the German Reformed faith, and was an official member of the Jordan Reformed church for many years.

He married a Steinger, daughter of Leonard Steinger, a pioneer of South Whitehall, who owned about 1,000 acres of land in the vicinity of Crackersport. They had Paul and Joseph, also five or six daughters.

Joseph Hammel, son of Philip, was a life long farmer, and lived on a part of the homestead. He was a member of the Jordan Reformed Church, which he served as an elder.

He married Sallie Guth, a daughter of Peter Guth. Their children were: James; Hannah (m. Edward Frankenfield); Polly (m. William Measemer); Owen; Phaon; and Sarah (m. John Albright). All the above are deceased, except Owen and Phaon of whom forward.

Owen Hammel, who occupies the John Schaadt homestead in Whitehall, was born March 4, 1835. He was a carpenter for ten years. In 1860 he began farming the 110 acre tract upon which he has since lived. He built the present barn, and John Schaadt built the house on this property. He is a member of the Reformed church. His wife, Sallie, is a daughter of Peter and Susanna (Shoemaker) Lineberger. Their children are: Amanda, wife of William H. Meyer, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this volume; and Mary, wife of Calvin Lazarus, a farmer of Whitehall township.

PHAON HAMMEL, a retired farmer, resides near Crackersport, in South Whitehall. He was born Dec. 12, 1836, in the house built by his grandfather, Philip Hammel, in 1832, it being the second dwelling house on the Hammel homestead. There Mr. Hammel spent the first 30 years of his earthly career, working for his parents. On Nov. 18, 1866, he married and in 1868 he began farming on a 60 acre farm near Crackersport. There he was a tiller of the soil

for 45 years. He built a house on this farm in 1874, also made a number of other improvements. In later years he purchased a 32 acre tract, also near Crackersport.

Mr. Hammel is a natural born mechanic. He is a blacksmith, carpenter, stone mason and saddler. He built for himself two wagon sheds, a bake-oven and other buildings. He sold his farm stock at public sale in the spring of 1913, and retired upon a two acre tract at Crackersport and there he built a wagon shed in 1913.

Phaon Hammel is an intelligent and good citizen, possessed of a striking personality. Notwithstanding his advanced years he is hale and of robust health, clear in mind and understanding and able to do a hard day's work.

He worships in the Faith of the Fathers and is a member of the Jordan Reformed Church, which he served as a deacon, elder and treasurer. He has been the Democratic committeeman for 13 years, and was elected to the office of school director and supervisor of his township.

His wife, Mary Ann Amanda Elizabeth Wenner, is a daughter of the long deceased Peter and Ida (Heilman) Wenner. They have no issue.

#### HAMMER FAMILY.

John William Hammer, the first recorded progenitor of the old Prussian family of that name, was born February 13, 1688, in Bautzen, Kingdom of Saxony, Germany, and died there August 24, 1738. Not much is known concerning his life. He was married November 14, 1712, to Dorothy Weinbrecher, born September 23, 1695, and died April 25, 1723, and by her had one son, John Gottfried Hammer, of whom forward.

John Gottfried Hammer, son of John William and Dorothy (Weinbrecher) Hammer, was born January 15, 1719, and died September 17, 1793. He was married October 13, 1740, to Martha Hoch, born May 23, 1717, died January 1, 1788. Their children were: John Gottlieb, Anna Regina, Dorothy Elizabeth, Johanne Christiana, John Gottlob, of whom forward, John Gottfried, Johanne Dorothy, Catherina Rosina, Marie Dorothy, and John Gotthelf, born November 24, 1759.

John Gottlob Hammer, second son of John Gottfried and Martha (Hoch) Hammer, was born September 24, 1750. He was married to Johanne Elizabeth Jochman, and by her had five children, as follows: Johanne Christiana, Carl Gottlob, born in 1782, Johanne Carolina, John Gotthelf, and Carl Gottlieb, of whom forward.

Carl Gottlieb Hammer, third son of John Gottlob and Johanne Elizabeth (Jochman) Hammer, was born December 4, 1791, and died in 1836. He was twice married, first, on June

10, 1815, to Julianne Kaschitzky, born April 7, 1797, and died November 9, 1834, by whom he had seven children, as follows: Gustave, born in 1816; Robert, born in 1818; Julius, of whom forward; Oswald, of whom forward; Hermann, born in 1825; Fritz, born in 1828, and Augusta. Mr. Hammer's second marriage was on February 24, 1835, to Augusta Kaschitzky, born November 6, 1805, died December 8, 1835. Of this union there was one child, Theodore, born December 8, 1835, and died May 16, 1894.

Julius Hammer, third son of Carl Gottlieb and Julianne (Kaschitzky) Hammer, was born August 17, 1820, at Forst, Kingdom of Prussia, Germany. He was a master weaver and a member of the Lutheran Church. His death occurred Dec. 27, 1894. He was married March 7, 1852, to Amelia Janke, born March 22, 1826, and died in 1900. Their children were: Emil, born Dec. 22, 1852, and died in 1895; Richard, of whom forward; Albrecht, born in 1856; Anna, Martha and Emilie.

Oswald Hammer, fourth son of Carl Gottlieb and Julianne (Kaschitzky) Hammer, was born August 27, 1823, and died Dec. 1, 1897. He was married Oct. 18, 1852, to Wilhelmine Rottke, born Feb. 8, 1834, and by her had six children, as follows: Anna, born July 6, 1853, died August 13, 1854; George G., of whom forward; Eugene, born Nov. 6, 1855; Oswald, born March 18, 1857; Franz, born July 16, 1861; and William, born Jan. 28, 1863.

George Hammer, eldest son of Oswald and Wilhelmine (Rottke) Hammer, was born Nov. 18, 1854. He came to the United States of America, August 28, 1881, and for four years followed the silk business at Union Hill, New Jersey, then settling in Allentown, Pennsylvania, in 1885, in which place he has continued to reside up to the present time, holding the responsible position of superintendent of the Adelaide Silk Mills of the city, one of the largest factories of the kind in the United States. He resides in his fine residence, No. 201 North Fourth street, since May, 1900. He and family worship in St. John's Lutheran church, which he serves as elder since November, 1913. Socially he holds membership in the B. P. O. E., No. 130, of Allentown. Mr. Hammer is one of the organizers of the Allentown Boating and Swimming Club, which organization purchased what was then known as Haymaker's Island, now Adam's Island.

Mr. Hammer was married March 19, 1892, to Miss Hattie Fritz, by whom he has had three children: 7. Frederick, died in infancy; 2. Frank, born November 30, 1893, graduated from the Allentown high school in 1911; is now employed

in the Adelaide Silk Mill as private secretary to the assistant manager and is learning the silk business; and Paul, born Dec. 13, 1896, graduated from Allentown high school in June, 1914.

Richard Hammer, eldest son of Julius and Amelia (Janke) Hammer, was born July 3, 1854, at Forst, in the Kingdom of Prussia, Germany. At the age of fourteen he learned the trade of silk weaving, in which his father was employed, and followed it until the time of his emigration to the United States of America in 1881. In this year he landed in New York City, and lived there and in the city of Newark, New Jersey, until the year 1891, when he removed to Allentown, Pennsylvania, where he has since made his home. In 1906, Mr. Hammer erected, at No. 220 Ridge avenue, Allentown, the dwelling he at present occupies. He is a member of the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Hammer was married Nev. 22, 1891, to Margaret Bloss, a daughter of John and Christiana (Buchter) Bloss, of Sckoenlach, Asch, Bohemia, where they were farmers. Of this union there were two children, Gertrude M. and Anna A. Hammer.

#### HANDWERK FAMILY.

Han George Handwerck emigrated on the ship Harle and landed Sept. 1, 1736, at Philadelphia. He was then 32 years old.

Nicholas and Heinrich emigrated on the ship Loyal Judith and landed Sept. 3, 1739.

Peter emigrated on the ship Phoenix and landed Sept. 30, 1743. They were Palatinates.

John Handweck on Nov. 9, 1758, took up in Heidelberg township, on a warrant 57 acres of land; and on Aug. 12, 1766, Nicholas Handweck took up 110 acres.

The earliest tax-list found of Heidelberg township, was for the year 1762, which includes the names of John Nicholas and Peter, who are probably three of the four above named; and in the year 1764, John and Nicholas were assessed for 100 acres each and also "Widow" Handweck, who was probably the widow of Peter, showing that Peter had died between 1762 and 1764. Nicholas has been mentioned as constable of Heidelberg in 1758 and owned a pack horse. (*Pa. Arch.*)

In an old tax-list which bore no date but was apparently before 1764 there appears the following names: Old Peter Handwerck and young Peter; also a John and a Jacob; also a George who was identified as a shoemaker.

John (Johannes) Handwerck of Heidelberg township, when advanced in age, made his last will dated Dec. 9, 1785, in the presence of Conrad Schneider, Peter Kohler, and Jacob Stoeck-



el; and it was probated on Aug. 3, 1789, showing that he died in July previous. He mentions the name of his widow as Anna Maria, and three sons: Nicholas, John and Peter, (the youngest son), having devised the homestead to Peter, for which he was to pay 200 pounds in gold and silver money; and Peter was appointed as the executor of the estate.

The following inscriptions appear on tombstones in the old Heidelberg Church graveyard:

Johannes Handwerck, born Jan. 29, 1710, died 1789  
Johannes Handwerck, born Apr. 1, 1742, died Sept. 13, 1813

Catharine Handwerck, born Sept. 14, 1747, died March 10, 1808

Peter Handwerck, born Sept. 18, 1744, died Feb. 27, 1826

Jacob Handwerck, born Aug. 9, 1771, died May 13, 1826, lived in wedlock with Catharine Seidler 29 years.

It appears that Nicholas Handwerck the second emigrant above named, purchased a farm from Henry Ohl, in 1761, located in Heidelberg township, and after 1764 sold it to Peter Measemer. In that locality nothing later was found relating to this Nicholas and it appears that he removed to Douglass township, Berks county, where a tombstone was found in Fritz's Burying Ground, with the following inscription:

Nicholas Handwerck, born Aug. 16, 1716, in Hettenhausen, Interlaken, died March 9, 1795, aged 78 y., 6 m., 21 d.

By the Federal census of 1790, it appears that the following Handwerk families were in Heidelberg township: Jacob, with three males over 16 years, four males under 16 years, and three females.

John, with one male over 16 years, three males under 16 years and six females.

Peter, with two males over 16 years, and three females.

Peter, Jr., with one male over 16 years, and two females.

Peter Handwerck had two daughters: Maria (?) (married Joseph Lauchnor), and Susan (married Jacob Lauchnor, brother of Joseph). Each of the daughters died and their husbands married a second time, Joseph Lauchnor having married Elizabeth Hess and Jacob having married Barbara Koons.

The above Peter Handwerck owned a large tract of land along the Blue Mountain, parts of which are now owned by James German, William German, Andrew Snyder and others.

John Handwork and Peter Handwork were enlisted in the Revolutionary War as privates in the Continental Line, it appearing that they re-

ceived Depreciation Pay, in 1782; also a Robert Handwood was enlisted as a private Apr. 8, 1782, from Maryland.

John Handwerk was in the Frontier service in the Company of Captain Jacob Greenawald from May 25, 1782, to July 23, 1782.

Jacob Handwerk was in the company of Captain Roeder and Frederick Handwerk in the company of Captain Smithers in Sixth Battalion, of Northumberland county militia, in July, 1781.

Frederick Handwerk was a captain of a company of the local militia, having made a report of his company on May 6, 1816.

Peter Handwerk, one of the early pioneers of Washington township, emigrated from the Palatinate in 1743 and located about six miles from the site of Slatington, on what afterwards became the line of the Berks County Railroad. He had three sons, Abraham, Martin and Jonas, and two daughters, Mrs. Daniel Rex and Mrs. John Raber. Abraham settled on a part of the homestead and died in 1865, leaving a family of eight children, of whom Levi, John and a daughter, Mrs. Bannegar went to Indiana. Martin lived on the homestead; and Jonas died in the township.

Johannes Handwerk, Sr., was a large land owner. On November 27, 1761, he sold a tract of 400 acres of land, located in Heidelberg township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, to his son, John Handwerk, and Nicholas Handwerk, Jr., for the consideration of 300 pounds. Of this tract 130 acres were taken up by warrant from the Province by Henry Hauser, bearing date of April 25, 1744. The 400 acre tract was bounded by lands of Michael Ohl, Peter Handwerk, Bernhard Neff and John Hunsicker.

On October 26, 1786, three years before he died, Johannes Handwerk sold three more tracts to his son, John Handwerk. They contained 112, 92 and 57 acres, and were respectively taken up by warrant as follows: Henry Hauser, April 25, 1744; Rudolph Peter, January 28, 1754; Johannes Handwerk, Sr., November 9, 1758.

The price paid for the 261 acres (allowing six per cent. for roads) was 150 pounds. Another sale records the following: John Handwerk, Elder, on November 27, 1773, sold 139 acres of land to John Handwerk his son. The last two tracts were bounded by lands of Peter Handwerk, Jacob Kemmerer, John Hunsicker, Jr., Francis Measemer, Jacob Hunsicker, and Jacob Peter.

The third Johannes Handwerk (son of Johannes, Jr.) became the owner of the homestead upon which is erected the historic house, a cut of which appears in the descriptive history of Heidelberg township. After the death of his father

he cultivated this land from the time of his marriage until he died. His wife was Catharine Peter. They had eight children: Catharine, (married Michael Harter), Henry (married Elizabeth Schmidt), Casper, (married Elizabeth German), Susanna, (married George Neff), Elizabeth (married Peter Benninger), Michael (married Lydia Schneck), Rebecca (married Henry Hoffman), Nathan (married Lydia Snyder).

Henry Handwerk, son of Johannes, was born on the homestead, and there spent all his life, but two months, during which time he learned the coopering trade which he followed with farming. His wife, Elizabeth Smith, bore him seven children, as follows: Joseph (who obtained the homestead), Polly (married Reuben Henry), Hettie (married Edwin Hauser), Julia (married Owen Hunsicker), Sarah, (married Aaron Hauser), Helen, (died aged seven years), Isabella, (married Joseph Jones).

Michael Handwerk, (son of Johannes), was a cooper and farmer. He lived where his son Edwin Handwerk, now lives. His children were: Casper, Franklin, Nathan, Elivina (married A. B. Mensch), Esther (married first a Kistler, and second Wesley Buck), Joel and Edwin. The last named is a grandfather and has nine children.

The Handwerk family are Lutherans, and many of them are members of the Heidelberg church, of which Johannes Handwerk was an early member. He is buried on the old graveyard, where a brown sand-stone marks his grave.

John George Handwerk and his wife, Catharine, nee Kemkel, were farming people in Heidelberg township and their children were: George; Solomon; David; Daniel; Hannah (m. Reuben Peter); Elizabeth (m. Stephen Mayer); Lydia (Prince); and Margaret (Henritz).

George Handwerk, son of John George, was born upon the homestead and became a prosperous farmer, acquiring a large acreage of land. He lived first on the John Metzger farm, now owned by Edwin Handwerk, and afterward purchased the property now owned and occupied by Nathan Handwerk, which then contained 40 acres. He married Lydia Metzger, of Heidelberg, and their children were:

Sabina, . . . (married Nathan Kemmerer)  
 David, . . . . (married Judith Wessner)  
 Joseph, married [first] (Polly Heintzelman) and [second] (Lovina Rex)  
 Catharine, . . . (married John McDade)  
 Owen, . . . . (married Mary Kistler)  
 Fianna, . . . (married Joseph Andreas)  
 William, . . . ' (killed in the Civil war)  
 Susanna, . . . . (married Lewis Lentz)  
 Nathan, (married Anna Maria Harter)  
 Violetta, . . . . (married Charles Bloss)  
 Edward, . . . . . (married Lydia Fry)

David Handwerk, son of John George, of Heidelberg township, was the grand-father of Henry O. He carried on farming in Washington township and afterward worked in slate operations. He was married to Lydia Shissler, of Washington township, and they had six children: Aaron, Marietta (married to Francis Leiser), James, Leanna (m. John Bolton), Harry (m. Evelina Kuntz), and Sarah Ann (m. H. W. Dorward, of Camden, N. J.).

NATHAN HANDWERK, son of George, of Heidelberg, was born in that township, February 8, 1847. He attended the common schools of the district and then worked on a farm. During the Civil War when less than seventeen years of age, he persisted in serving his country and finally was allowed to enlist on June 28, 1863, in company I, 38th Regiment, Pa. Militia, for three months' service. He re-enlisted on March 7, 1864, for three years or to the end of the war, in Company K, 47th Regiment, Pa. Volunteers, joining the Regulars at Morganza, Louisiana, in the same year. From that place he was transferred to Bermuda Hundred, where he was detailed as regimental mail carrier for six months. He was honorably discharged with his Regiment, at Charleston, S. C., on December 25, 1865.

After the war for ten years he lived at Slatington, working at the plastering and brick-laying trades. In 1876 he purchased his father's homestead and there he has lived to this time. His farm consists of 57 acres of fertile land and the large stone house upon this farm which Mr. Handwerk occupies is one of the landmarks of that community. It contains the following inscription, which is carved on a stone, 12 by 18:

House built by  
 JOHANNES HANDWERK  
 1801  
 Danket den Herr  
 Den er ist Freundlich.

Mr. Handwerk is a Republican. For over twenty-four years, from 1880 to 1904, he served the township as assessor having been honored by both political parties for six terms as their unanimous choice. Since 1904 he has served as supervisor and road-master for eight years; and he is still serving the latter office. He is a superior judge of the value of real estate in his district, and quite frequently his advice and judgment is sought by contemplating land purchasers. He is a member of the Samuel Kress Post, No. 284, G. A. R., at Slatington, Pa. He and family are



Lutherans, members of the Heidelberg congregations, which he served as a deacon and as an elder for four years. He was the superintendent of the Kemmerer's Sunday-school.

In 1866 he was married to Anna Maria Harter, daughter of Nathan Harter. Their children were: Richard O. (deceased); Laida (deceased), Oscar A., Emma T. (married to James German), Ella T. (married to T. O. German), Louisa C., Alvin N. (deceased), and Howard W.

Oscar A. Handwerk, son of Nathan, resides upon the "shoemaker Peter" Handwerk homestead in "De Handwerk Stadt." He carries on a small farm and is also a traveling salesman.

He was married to Emma Sensinger, and they have eight children: Ralph, Edgar, Victor, Willard, Stewart, Bertha, Verna and Arlene.

Peter Handwerk had always lived in Heidelberg and was the father of these children: Abraham; Martin; Jonas; ——— (m. Daniel Rex); and ——— (m. John Reber).

Abraham Handwerk, son of Peter, was the grandfather of Robert F. He was born in 1805, carried on farming on the homestead and died in July, 1865. He was married to Elizabeth Roth, daughter of Peter, of Heidelberg, and they had eight children: Levi (who was enlisted in the Civil War for three months in 1863, and became active in the G. A. R.); Henry (m. Amanda Peter); John; Francis (m. Ellen Breyfogel); Sallie (m. Tilghman Reber); Lydia (m. Irvin Reber); Susan (twin sister of Lydia m. to David Benninger); and Mary (m. 1st to Joel Peter, and 2nd to Jonathan Jacoby, and died in 1913, in Clinton Co., Indiana).

John Handwerk, was born in Heidelberg township, July 29, 1832, and educated in the local school while brought up on a farm; then he learned the trade of carpenter which he followed until his death on March 4, 1895. He located at Slatington, in 1860. He was enlisted in the Civil War on several occasions, the last in the Emergency of 1863, and honorably discharged. He served in the town council.

In 1860, John Handwerk was married to Leanna Shever, daughter of Daniel, of N. Whitehall township. She was born Aug. 12, 1834. They had ten children: Magdalena (m. Joseph Reinsmith); Robert F.; James D. (accidentally killed on L. V. R. R., when 21 years old); Amanda (m. Henry Williams); George (died young); John (m. Edna Bloss); Louis (died in 1912, aged 40 years); Mary (m. Wm. Davis, and died in 1906); Sarah (m. Henry Krauss); and Charles (m. Jennie Paules). They have been members of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

ROBERT F. HANDWERK, of Slatington, was born March 8, 1863, where he was educated in the public school until sixteen years of age, then he worked in slate operations, for ten years. He entered the employ of E. D. Peters and Son, in 1889, and has continued with this firm, and its successors (the sons of Mr. Peters) until the present time, as teamster for the entire period excepting three years during which he filled the position of superintendent of their slate quarry. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, and also of Emerald Castle, K. M. C. No. 221.

He was married to Sarah E. Sieger, daughter of Owen, of Siegersville, and they had seven children: Eva M. (graduated from high school then taught school several terms, then married Robert Sieger); Florence A. (m. Wm. Brelsford, of Allentown), Edward R. (graduated from high school in 1908, also from Keystone Normal School in 1910, and teacher in Washington township three terms); George D.; Elda I. (graduated from high school in 1913); Roy J.; and Grace S.

Martin Handwerk, son of Peter, was born Nov. 29, 1804, and was a farmer, cooper, pump-maker, and distiller. His large farm was located in the "Handiwerk Stadt" in Heidelberg and there he built a house. He married Catharine Blose. They were members of the Lutherans congregation of the Heidelberg church. He died Aug. 24, 1887. Their children were: Paul, Peter, Benjamin, Drusilla (married Joel Neff), Fianna (married Edward Neff), Maria, Marian (married John Strauss), and Polly (married Edward Metzger).

Paul Handwerk, son of Martin, was born on his father's homestead April 17, 1833. He learned the cooper trade from Henry Handwerk and followed it with farming. The homestead, which was 110 acres, he purchased from his father, and this he continued to farm for many years. He died Feb. 14, 1911. His wife, Susanna, *nee* Lobach, was a daughter of Daniel Lobach. Their children were: Tilghman (died in 1904); John (died young); Lenora (married Henry Friebolin); Helena and Alice (twins, the former having married Henry Hunsicker, and the latter Henry Hollenbach); Louisa (married Lewis Snyder); Amandus P.; Emma M.; Henry O.; Minnie (married Richard Peter); infant son, who died, and Frederick.

AMANDUS P. HANDWERK, son of Paul, a member of the firm of Rauch and Handwerk, who are the proprietors of the Pioneer Carriage and Wagon Works at Jordan, this county, was born in Heidelberg township, September 22, 1868. At the age of nineteen years he learned

the carpenter trade at Lansford, Pa., and this he followed in the Fullerton Car Shops for two years. In 1892 he became an employee of Joseph Rauch at Pleasant Corner (Jordan P. O.), in the latter's wheelwright and coachmaking establishment, and in 1904, when a change in the firm was made he became one of its members. This firm manufactures a superior grade of carriages, spring and farm wagons, and employs a dozen men.

Mr. Handwerk and family are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church. He is a member of the Central Lodge No. 636, I. O. O. F., also of the Encampment No. 54, and Camp 252, P. O. S. of A., of Lansford, Pa.

In 1891 he married Melissa Rauch, daughter of Joseph Rauch, and their children were: Lorena J., Estella M., and Paul J. (born July 7, 1897 and died May 5, 1898).

HENRY O. HANDWERK, the ninth child of Paul, was born on the homestead April 15, 1873. He was reared upon the farm and educated in the local of his native township. He is a farmer and held a number of local offices having served upon the school board for four years; also served as superintendent of Kemmerer's Sunday School for ten years. He and family are Lutherans, members of the Heidelberg church.

On Dec. 25, 1897, he married a daughter of Jonas Fink, and their three children are Katie L., Roma I., Lilian L.

HARVEY J. HANDWERK, son of Casper, of Slatington, was born in Washington township, February 17, 1870. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from the Allentown Business College in 1889. Then he acted as shipping clerk with the Lehigh Slate Co., until September 1, 1890, when he accepted an appointment by the government as Railway Mail Clerk; and for five years served on the Pennsylvania R. R. running between Pittsburgh and New York. Since 1896 he has been on the L. V. R. R. running between New York and Buffalo. In length of time, Mr. Handwerk is one of the men longest in this service. He is also one of the youngest men who entered the service, with a most creditable record.

In the year 1888, he married Ella S. Kern, a daughter of Nathan Kern, whose full record appears in this volume). They have two children: George Eugene and Ralph Nathan.

George Eugene, a draughtsman, was educated in Slatington High School, and graduated from the Bethlehem Preparatory School, in 1908. Afterward he took a course in the St. John's School, at Manlius, N. Y., in civil engineering, and then accepted a position as draughtsman, at Pontiac, Michigan, which he filled for one year.

Then he returned to Allentown to resume playing with the Allentown Band, and since February, 1911, he has played the clarinet. He is also a member of the Lamoureux Orchestra of Slatington.

Ralph Nathan was graduated from the Slatington High School in 1911, and the American Commercial School at Allentown, in the same year. He is a talented musician, being the violinist of Dr. John Helfrich's Trio, of Allentown, and the first violinist of Lamoureux Orchestra of Slatington. He owns and uses a violin which was owned and used by his great-great-grandfather Haas.

EDWIN HANDWERK, son of Michael, is a substantial farmer in Heidelberg township where he was born and reared on the homestead near Germansville, in what is locally known as "De Handwerk Stadt." His birth occurred in the house in which he now resides, July 27, 1857. He has always followed an agricultural career and owns part of the original Johannes Handwerk homestead, now 93 acres. Part of these acres were at one time included in the property of John Metzger. The ruins of the Metzger homestead are still in evidence. The one and one-half story stone house stood on the left side of the public road leading from Slatington to Germansville, near the Handwerk Siding, on the Berks and Lehigh Railroad. The house in which Mr. Handwerk lives was built by his father in the year 1842, and the barn was built by him the year following. In 1911, Mr. Handwerk erected a large frame residence at the upper end of Slatedale and this he expects to occupy in his retiring years. He and the family are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church.

On April 28, 1877, he married Rosa Kern, daughter of Henry and Atillia Kern. They have nine children: (1) Celesta (died young); (2) Ida L. (married James Hausman, of Heidelberg, who have these children: Elwood, Edgar, Irene, Roy, Lawrence and Howard, [the last dying in infancy]; (3) Eugene M. (mentioned later in this history); (4) Elmira (married Luther L. Layton, of Heidelberg, who have two children—Roma M., and Lloyd L. [died in infancy]; (5) Wallace E. (married Jane P. German, he being a painter and has one son—Harold H.); (6) Clydan H. (married Sallie M. Rehrig, he being a farmer in Heidelberg); (7) Albert B. (a painter); (8) Ella J. and (9) Erwin C.

EUGENE M. HANDWERK, farmer, teacher and Justice of the Peace, was born on the family homestead, September 5, 1881, but since 1907 he resides on his own farm of 45 acres at Germansville, which was for many years a Grosscup tract. He is a progressive agriculturist.



Mr. Handwerk had the advantages of a liberal education. After his graduation with first honors in the first class of his native township in 1899, he attended the Saegersville select school and was licensed to teach at the age of seventeen years, beginning his teaching career at the Water Pond school house in Heidelberg. Later he attended the Keystone State Normal School, and 1901 entered Muhlenberg College from which he was graduated in 1904. In the fall of the same year he began teaching in the Kemmerer school building and has been teaching there ever since.

He has been serving the Republican party as township committeeman since 1909; and as one of the township auditors since 1908. In 1911 he was elected one of the Justices of the Peace of Heidelberg township, and since then has filled this office. He is a member of Central Lodge No. 636, I. O. O. F., at Jordan, P. O., of which he is a Past Grand.

He was married December 22, 1903 to Miss Gertrude M. Strauss, only daughter of Amantes and Elvena (Hamm) Strauss, of Germansville, and they have one son, Earl Eugene.

Mr. Handwerk and his wife are active members of the Heidelberg church. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation but his wife is a member of the Reformed congregation. He has served as a deacon since 1911; also as the superintendent of Germansville Union Sunday-school since 1908. He was the first president of the Young People's Society of the Heidelberg church.

In 1912 Mr. Handwerk was the leading spirit in promoting and organizing the Handwerk Family Reunion of America, which in August of that year held its first reunion at Neff's, Pa. He is the president and historian of the reunion.

Aaron Handwerk, son of David, was born in 1846 in Washington township, educated in the public schools, and brought up on a farm until he became seventeen years old; then he enlisted in the Civil War, (June 29, 1863), as a private in Co. I, of the 38th Regt. Penna. Vol. Inf., for thirty days, during the Emergency (discharged Aug. 1, 1863); and re-enlisted on Aug. 29, 1864, for one year in Co. H, 209th Regt. Penna. Vol. Inf., and was discharged at Alexander, Va., May 31, 1865. The two honorable discharges from the service are now in the possession of his son, Henry, which are prized very highly.

Upon his return home he engaged in farming for several years, then worked in a school-slate factory near Slatington until 1897, about a year before his decease. He served as a school director of the township for two terms, and also as the township tax-collector for two terms.

When he ceased farming he located at Slatedale.

He was married to Susan Dorward, daughter of Charles and Lydia (Peterson) Dorward of Washington township, and they had two children: Henry O., and Mary (married to James P. Kern, slate operator, at Slatedale, interested in the Thomas Slate Co., of which he is secretary).

HENRY OLIVER HANDWERK, proprietor of restaurant, and fire insurance agent at Slatington, was born March 31, 1867, in Washington township. He attended the public school until he became eleven years old, then started to work in a slate factory at Slatington and continued working in different factories there until he was thirty-three years of age, excepting two years when he was engaged in the freight-train service of the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. His last employment in slate operations was superintendent of the Blue Valley Slate Co. for seven years. He embarked in the business of conducting a first-class restaurant at Slatington, in 1909 and has carried it on successfully until the present time.

In March, 1913, he became the local representative of twelve standard fire insurance companies of the United States and Great Britain. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., Knights of Friendship, and Modern Woodmen of America.

In 1884, Mr. Handwerk was married to Augusta V. Stettler, daughter of Prof. Frank J. Stettler (principal of the Slatington high-school for upwards of fifteen years, but now resident agent and district manager at Allentown, of the Mutual Benefit Life Ins. Co., of Newark, N. J.), and they have four children: George, A. (superintendent of a silk mill at Allentown); Carrie M. (public school teacher at Slatington since 1908), Helen A (graduate of the high school in 1911, and since then assisting her father in the restaurant), and Russell F. (who is now attending the high school).

Elias Handwerk, who is buried at the Heidelberg church was married to Maria Bloss and they had two children—Milton and Frank.

Milton, his son, was a shoemaker in Washington township and there also worked in the slate quarry. He was married to Sally Ann Reppert and they had four children: Francis P., Susanna M. (m. E. F. Roth), Franklin and James F.

Frank, the brother of Milton, was a soldier of the Civil War and is buried at Slatedale. He was married to Catharine Coffin, having been a carpenter and slate worker. Their children were Didama (died young), Ira of Siegfried, George,

of Easton, and Maggie Della, married John F. Graver, of Allentown.

Frederick Handwerk was commissioned by Governor Simon Snyder, as captain of the Union Rifle Company, attached to the Sixty-eighth Regiment, Militia of Pennsylvania, Second Brigade, and Seventh Division. He was honorably discharged, Aug. 14, 1814. In the same year he was commissioned again and served for eight years.

He was a cabinet-maker of very rare ability and made many household clocks. He died in 1833. He was married to Catharine Scheirer. They had Allen, and Abbie, who became the wife of a Beil, from Northampton county who died soon after their marriage. She married, second, David Gilbert, of Dorneyville. Their only surviving child is Mrs. Frank Dorney, of Dorneys Park.

Allen Handwerk was born Oct. 12, 1825. His father died when he was but eight years old and Philip Handwerk, of Heidelberg, became his guardian. He was placed into a Bear family who lived near Unionville. At the age of eighteen years he became acquainted with Prof. Rudy, instructor in the Schnecksville Academy and from him learned the rudiments of education. At this time Allen Handwerk was learning the tanning trade at Balliettsville, and in this connection pursued his studies under Prof. Rudy, for whom he had formed a strong attachment and for whom he had the profoundest respect and esteem. He soon became popular in his community as a penman and one possessed with more than the ordinary mind. He was an apt apprentice and became a skilled finisher of calf and other skins. He was pronounced a specialist and taught the trade which he so well understood to many others. He made regular trips on foot to the tanneries at Mauch Chunk, Millport, Lynnport, Balliettsville, Schnecksville, and Egypt. In about 1855 he became connected with the tannery at Balliettsville and in 1862 purchased the property from Stephen Graff, having already become the proprietor of it on April 1, 1861. In that year his health began to fail, as shown by a certificate issued by Doctors W. S. Kohler and L. B. Balliet, and on account of it he sold the property to Edwin Kuhns, who owns it to the present time.

He was drafted by the Federal Government in 1863, and examined for the army Sept. 22, 1863, at Norristown, Pa., but was exempted from service because he was found suffering hypertrophy of the heart. On June 16, 1865 he was again drafted and underwent a severe examination at headquarters. Provost Marshall found him suffering from cardiac hypertrophy of

the heart. Before he returned to Balliettsville he had his long black beard shaved off which in connection with the severe strain he had undergone, caused his friends not to recognize him when he returned home.

On Oct. 22, 1866 he married Christianna Rebecca Lattimore, and they began keeping house at Ironton. Later he purchased a tract of land located near Scheidy's store and there he lived until his death on Aug. 8, 1907. He and his family were for many years members of the Lutheran congregation of Egypt church. Their children were:

Emma E. C., born Dec. 19, 1869, died Dec. 7, 1889.  
William A. F., born Sept. 16, 1873.

Prof. William A. F. Handwerk resides at Egypt and is an esteemed public school teacher. He is married and has a family.

GEORGE A. HANDWERK, superintendent of the Lion Silk Company, of Allentown, was born at Slatington, Jan. 1, 1887, the son of Henry O. Handwerk and his wife, Augusta, daughter of Frank J. and Amanda (Seibert) Stettler. His father, a native of Slatedale, was superintendent of the Blue Valley Slate Co. for many years and is now in the confectionery and ice cream business at Slatington. He also handles life insurance and holds membership in the orders of Modern Woodmen and Knights of Friendship. He has four children: George A.; Carrie; Helen, and Russell. George A. was educated in the Slatington schools and the textile department of the Pennsylvania Museum of Industrial Art, after which he took a course in textile work in the Scranton school and entered the employ of the Slatington Textile Company, where he remained as a weaver for four years, and as an inspector and loom mechanic for three years. He was then employed at various mills for two years and with Reiling and Schoen, of Hoboken, N. J., for one year as chief inspector, and in charge of the loom order department. In January, 1913, he became superintendent of the Lion Silk Mill, at Allentown, where he is now located. Mr. Handwerk is a member of Salem's Evangelical church, and fraternally of the Knights of Pythias.

#### FRANK P. HANEY.

Frank P. Haney, of the Fourteenth ward, Allentown, was born in Bucks county, Pa., December 13, 1862. At the age of eleven years his parents came to East Allentown and there he attended the public schools. He was in the employ of J. K. Mosser and Son, tanners, for fourteen years. Then he went to G. W. Ravert, a grocer in the First Ward, and learned the



business, and in 1903 he started for himself. At that time he built his home where he now lives, 25 Third street. On November 3, 1907, owing to increased business he removed his store to its present location at Third and Hamilton streets.

He and his family are members of Christ's Reformed Church, which he served as a deacon. Socially he is a member of the Eagles, Beavers, Maccabees, Owls, P. O. S. of A., and the Lehigh Commandery No. 6 of the last order. He served one term as school director of Hanover and in 1911 after the organization of the Fourteenth Ward was elected as one of the first common councilman of that Ward.

Mr. Haney is married to Margaret Appel, a daughter of Martin and Nancy (Rice) Appel, of Allentown. Their children are: Catharine R., (married Herbert Schmoyer), Raymond, Frederick, Robert, deceased, Mabel and Esther, deceased, Hilda, Arthur, Nina, Chester and Nancy.

James M. Haney, the father of Frank P., was born June 17, 1817, in Bucks county. His parents for many years, lived at Quakertown, Pa. There he was married to Catharine Simms, a daughter of Jacob and Sally (Ott) Simms. They had two children: Jacob and George W., both deceased. After the death of Mrs. Henry, he married Catharine Knauss, a daughter of Charles and Hannah (Jordan) Knauss. She was born Dec. 2, 1830.

Mr. Haney died March 27, 1886. Their children were: Mary E., James W., Charles F., Samuel and Alphenus (all deceased), Frank P., and Edwin A. Since his decease his wife has made her home with her son.

#### HANKEE FAMILY.

John C. Hankee, a son of George and Julianne (Colm) Hankee, was born in Lehigh township, Northampton county, September 5, 1827. For a number of years he followed boating, and was also engaged in the construction of railroads. Later he was a contractor in Slate quarries. On May 12, 1849, he was married to Susan Fenstermaker, daughter of John and Susan (Rabert) Fenstermaker. This union was blessed with the following children: Susan J., unmarried; Loretta L., married to Richard Thomas; George F.; Sallie Ann, married to John Deibert; Sabina, died in childhood; Esther A., married to Frank Millhouse; Rosanna F., died in childhood, and Liva O., died in childhood. Mr. Hankee was a man that took a keen interest in the affairs of the county and township in which he resided. He was revenue assessor of Lehigh county and constable, tax collector and supervisor of Washington township. In the time of our

country's great peril he responded to its call and served it faithfully during the Civil War. He was a member of the Friedensville Reformed congregation, at which church he is buried. He died November 1, 1905.

George F. Hankee, son of John C. and Susan (Fenstermaker) Hankee, was born on the old Hankee homestead in Washington township, October 15, 1853. He was educated in the public schools of his native township and learned the trade of machinist in Slatington. For a number of years he was an engineer at slate quarries. Having taken up the study of music he was elected organist at the Weisenburg church in 1880, and served this church eleven years. In 1891 he was elected organist at Unionville church and served them 15 years. He then retired and lived with his sons at Egypt. He was a member of the Reformed church. He died June 3, 1911. In 1879 he married Flora Remaly, daughter of Joshua and Mary A. (Oswald) Remaly. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hankee, Harvey F. and Lancefort G.

HARVEY F. HANKEE, son of George F. and Flora (Remaly) Hankee, was born in Washington township, October 11, 1879. He received his education in the public schools and the American Business College. For four years he was employed by E. E. Long in the general merchandise business. In 1901 he and his brother, Lancefort G., formed a partnership to conduct the general merchandise business, occupying the place formerly occupied by A. K. Kelchner, where they are conducting a very successful business. He is a staunch Republican. For two terms he filled the office of registration assessor and one term as school director. At the present time he is filling the office of county auditor. He is a member of the Reformed congregation of the Egypt church and is very active in church and Sunday School work. He is the secretary of the joint consistories and secretary and treasurer of the Reformed congregation. Socially he belongs to the following orders: I. O. R. M., No. 97, of Egypt; O. I. A., No. 753, of Allentown; Modern Woodmen of America, No. 8576, of Cementon and the John Hay Republican Club of Allentown. In 1899 he married Agnes Guth, daughter of Allison and Sarah (Snyder) Guth. They have one son, Reynold G., born January 29, 1900.

Lancefort G. Hankee was born in Weisenberg township, September 20, 1881. He was educated in the public schools and in the Normal School at Kutztown. In 1901 he formed a partnership with his brother in the general merchandise business. He is a member of the Reformed congregation of Egypt church, and of

the following organizations: I. O. R. M., No. 97, Egypt; I. O. A. M., No. 753, Allentown, and the Modern Woodmen of America, No. 8576. In 1907 he was married to Maggie Kline, daughter of David W. and Amanda E. (Schneck) Kline. They have one daughter, Pauline F. A., born November 30, 1909.

#### HENRY S. HART.

Henry S. Hart, late treasurer and auditor of the Crane Iron Works, and assistant treasurer and auditor of the Empire Iron and Steel Company of Catasauqua, was born in Owensboro, Ky., June 25, 1870. He was educated along business channels and came to this town from Birmingham, Alabama. At Birmingham he was connected with the public iron and steel company. He became connected with the Empire Iron and Steel Company at Catasauqua, December 1, 1901, and remained with the company until 1913, when he entered the automobile business.

He is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M., and Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278, of which he is a Past High Priest.

On June 29, 1910 he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Boyd, daughter of William H. and Emma R. Boyd, of Reading, the latter of whom is now deceased.

#### HARTER FAMILY.

Martin Herter (also spelled Harder and Harter), emigrated to America on the ship "Phoenix," which landed at Philadelphia with 412 other passengers aboard, Wednesday, September 25, 1751. In the year 1781, his name appears among the taxables of Heidelberg township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, Pa. The first Federal census report of the United States Government in 1790 records him as the head of a family made up of two sons over sixteen years of age, and two sons under sixteen years, and four females.

Doubtless this pioneer is buried on the very old part of the old graveyard at the Heidelberg church. This ancestor was a farmer, and part of his landed estate passed to his son Michael. Michael Harter had upwards of 300 acres of land. His grandson, Nathan Harter afterward owned 140 acres of this land and from him it passed to his son, Frank Harter.

The Harters from the beginning were members of the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg church, where many generations of the family are buried. The inscription on his tombstone reads:

Michael Harter

Born Aug. 16, 1776

He was first married to Maria Eve Handwerk

Children 3 sons and 1 daughter

He married a second time

Eve Koch

They had 1 daughter

Died August 6, 1857

Aged 80 yrs. 11 mos. 21 days.

The children were: Jacob; George and Michael (who settled in Carbon county, Pa.); Lydia (m. Godfried Peter); and Polly (m. George Krause).

Jacob Harter, son of Michael, was born February 22, 1803. He was a farmer, succeeding his father to the homestead, upon which he spent all his life. He died January 7, 1882, aged seventy-eight years. His wife, Lydia Blose, was born November 18, 1806, and died August 27, 1871. They are buried at Heidelberg church, which he served as an elder.

He also conducted a distillery, which is still standing. He built a house on his farm which his grandson, Aaron J. Harter, now occupies. He was a tall, heavy built man, and weighed fully 250 pounds. Their four children were: Nathan, Owen, Maria (m. Jonas German), and Fianna (m. Levi Hunsicker).

Nathan Harter, son of Jacob, was born August 14, 1826. He had owned the Michael Harter homestead, and there followed farming all his life. He died in October, 1910, nearly 85 years old. He was a Republican and was school director and supervisor of Heidelberg township. He also served the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg church as deacon, elder and trustee. His wife, Carolina Blose was born May 15, 1827, and died November 29, 1892, in the 66th year of her age. They had three children, namely: Anna (m. Nathan Handwerk), Francis W., and Henry M.

Owen Harter, son of Jacob, had about 160 acres of his grandfather's homestead, and on this tract (now owned by Benneville Blose) he erected the present set of buildings. He served the township as school director and the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg church as a deacon and an elder.

He married Matilda George, daughter of Peter and Polly (Greenawald) George, of Lowhill. Their children were: Catharine (wife of Rev. William Geiger); Alice J. (married Achilles Miller); Tevillia (married William Krause); Oscar J. P. (mentioned later); and Moses (at Twin Lake, Illinois).

Francis W. Harter was born December 11, 1852, on the homestead. He was reared upon the farm and followed that pursuit all his active life. He is now retired and lives in Heidelberg township where he is one of the very substantial citizens. He has a good farm which is in a



high state of cultivation. He served the township as a school director, having been elected as a Republican. He was married in 1873 to Rosa Snyder, a daughter of Christian Snyder, and their children are: Aaron J., Carolina T. (m. William Krauss); and Emma L. (m. Robert E. Peter).

Henry M. Harter is a farmer in Washington township since 1880. He has a 108-acre farm, which was the Nathan Kemmerer tract. He was born in Heidelberg in 1856. In 1879, he married Anna, daughter of William Metzger. They have three children: Beulah, William N. and Charles H.

OSCAR J. P. HARTER, of Allentown, was born in Heidelberg, August 4, 1861. He was reared upon the farm, and received a common school education, and then taught school for four terms in Hoak schoolhouse in his native district. In 1887 he became a clerk for C. A. Rex & Brother, merchants at Mauch-Chunk, and after remaining in their employ two and a half years he went to Allentown and was engaged in the grocery business two years, then he moved to Mauch Chunk, and resumed his employment with C. A. Rex, who at that time was alone in business. He filled this position five years and then returned to Allentown to engage in the grocery business for himself at 7th and Liberty streets. He continued there ten years and then moved to the corner of 7th and Allen streets, where he has continued to this time.

He and family are Lutherans. Socially he is connected with the Royal Arcanum, the Protective Home Circle, and the F. O. E.

In 1886 he married Gertrude Lenker, daughter of Benjamin and Susan Lenker, of Northumberland county, Pa., where the Lenkers have been seated for many years, and are very numerous in Lower Mahanoy township. They have three children: Lillie M. (who graduated from Allentown High School in 1904, and is a public school teacher in Allentown); Stanley L., and Mary M.

AARON J. HARTER, son of Francis W., was born July 10, 1874, on the Michael Harter homestead. He remained there until he was twenty-nine years old. In 1903 he began shipping potatoes and selling farm implements. In 1904 he engaged in the retail coal business at Slatedale, which he continued until 1911. In 1908 he became general agent for the Baugh Fertilizer Company and now has charge of thirteen counties of the State, besides continuing the sale of farming implements.

He and family are members of the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg church, and he has served Kembers Union Sunday-school as superintendent since 1908.

He is actively identified with the Republican party; is assessor of his township since 1904; made a creditable run for County Commissioner in 1911, and is a member of the John Hay Republican Club, of Allentown.

He was married December 1, 1902, to Alice Metzger, whose father is Moses Metzger. They had three children: Florence L., Lillie M. (died in infancy); and Clarence M.

#### HARTMAN FAMILY.

Frantz Thomas Hartman, a native of Germany, settled first near Harrisburg and later in Upper Saucon township, where, in 1786, he owned a 270-acre farm and later acquired the Toland farm of 150 acres. His son, Jacob, built the present buildings on the Hartman farm and married Anna Staut, who died aged 93 years. Their son, Solomon Hartman, was born in 1800 and died in 1883. He farmed the 237-acre tract he inherited and was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Friedensville. He married Louisa Glick, of Whitehall township, and had nine children: Mrs. Justina Marsteller; Mary, wife of Wm. Kichline; William, died aged 33 years; Sarah A., widow of Owen Harvey; Lavinia, died unmarried in 1913; Daniel J., born March 28, 1843, a retired farmer of the township, who married Martha A., daughter of Fred. and Maria (Boyer) Frankenfield, and had one son, George Henry Hartman, born September 27, 1869, who married Minnie L. Albright; Franklin Levi, Solomon J. and Edward B.

Edward B. Hartman was born December 22, 1850, and early engaged in plow-making at Friedensville. He later was engineer at an iron mine and conducted a truck farm, after which he purchased the 60-acre Rothrock farm, which he improved and now conducts. He is a member of the Friedensville Lutheran congregation and is affiliated with the Knights of Malta, Jr. O. U. A. M. and the Democratic party. He married (1) Mary A., daughter of Nathaniel Smith and had two children: Henry W. and Albert, who died aged 11 years. He married (2) Annie, daughter of Paul and Maria (Greenawald) Roth, and had two daughters, Lou and Mamie M.

HENRY WILSON HARTMAN, son of Edward B., was born in Upper Saucon, January 31, 1871, on the farm of his maternal grandfather, where he was reared. After working some time on the farm he was employed in the wire mill at Allentown for one and a half years and then on a farm at Friedensville, after which he returned to his grandfather's farm, which he worked on shares until 1909, when his grandparents died only 13 days apart, and he then inherited the 27-acre farm. He now conducts the farm, which contains buildings of a superior quality and in ex-

cellent condition. Mr. Hartman is a Democrat in politics and was judge of election and road-master of the township. He is a member, with his family, of the Friedensville Lutheran congregation, of which he is a deacon and treasurer of and teacher in the Sunday school. He married, February 6, 1892, Rosa, daughter of Charles and Susanna (Weaver) Miller and has one child, Mary Ann.

Jacob Hartman had also sons, viz.; Jacob, whose children were Oscar and Mrs. A. F. Riun; Isaac; David, married Sarah Scholl, and William, who had one daughter, Mrs. Jacob Fulmer.

George Hartman, of Milford township, married Mary Stichler and had children: William, John, George, Mary and Matilda. William S. removed to Upper Saucon, where he was a farmer and a member of the Lutheran Church between Limeport and Centre Valley. He married Susanna Jordan and had six children: Henry, who is the U. S. mail carrier on the route between Allentown and Coopersburg; Enos, who was killed on the P. & R. R. R.; Susanna, wife of Preston Frank; William, employed by the Bethlehem Steel Co.; Frank G., and Mary, wife of Harvey Hersh, of Locust Valley.

FRANK G. HARTMAN, until recently proprietor of a foundry and machine shop at Locust Valley, who resides in Upper Saucon, was born in that township, June 25, 1869. He was educated in the local schools and employed on the farm, and at the age of sixteen years became an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Co., where he remained twenty years. In 1910, with his brother-in-law, he opened a foundry and machine shop, as Hersh & Hartman, at Locust Valley, which they conducted several years. Mr. Hartman also owns a farm on the pike between Centre Valley and Lanark. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation at the Blue church, with his wife, and of the P. O. S. of A. and the Republican party. He married Clara Estella, daughter of Peter S. and Emeline (Erney) Weaver, and has two children: Perma and Leanna. Mrs. Hartman's father has been an employee of the Bethlehem Steel Co. for over thirty years.

Conrad Hartman was a farmer in Lynn township and owned the farm which is now occupied by Amandes Weaver. He died about 1824, and is buried at New Tripoli. His wife who (probably) was a Straub, bore him these children: George; Henry; Jonas; Elias; Conrad; Polly, married to Daniel Weaver; Elizabeth, married to Nathan Krause; and Catharine, married to David Klingaman.

Elias Hartman, son of Conrad, was also a farmer in Lynn and his homestead farm is now owned by Jacob K. Hartman, his son. He

built a brick house on this farm which serves the third generation. He married Louisa Kistler and they had the following children: Sallie, married to B. Kunkel; Samuel K.; Jacob K.; James; Mary, deceased wife of Dr. D. W. W. Follweiler; Matilda, died unmarried; Jonas; and Daniel, who died, aged 21 years.

James K. Hartman, son of Elias, was born Jan. 9, 1846. He was a shoemaker from 1864 to 1899. He employed from four to six men and made many mining boots which were sold to Dauphin and Schuylkill counties.

About 1882 he purchased the David K. Stein farm of forty-three acres, located along the Berks and Lehigh Railroad, and on it built the present barn in 1889. He is a Reformed member of the Jacksonville church, which he served in all its offices. Mr. Hartman gave his daughters the advantage of an education. Eva and Annie are graduates of the township schools, and Eva a graduate of the State Normal School, at Kutztown, is a successful school-teacher of Lehigh county.

James K. Hartman married (first) Elizabeth, a daughter of Edwin Schitz, and (second) her sister, Alvena, by whom he had two daughters: Eva and Annie. By his first marriage he had one daughter, Elizabeth, married to C. H. Kilby, of Philadelphia.

Samuel Hartman, a grandson of Conrad, Sr., was a shoemaker by trade and owned an 80-acre farm, now owned by his son, Charles Hartman, of Lynn township. He married Sarah, a daughter of B. Levan. Both are buried at Jacksonville. Their children were: Albert and Jane, both deceased; William T.; Charles; Samuel; Annie, married to Edward Klingaman; Alice, married Edwin Bachman and Milton.

William T. Hartman was born Dec. 19, 1864. He is a farmer near New Tripoli, having bought his present farm of forty-five acres in 1893. Earlier he had followed the trade of a shoemaker. He married Emma, a daughter of James and Lydia (Kistler) Fetherolf. They have these children: William E., John H., Mabel E., and Helen L.

Henry Hartman was born in Heidelberg township (now in Lehigh county), in 1764. He was a farmer in the section now known as Fullerton. He was enlisted as a soldier in the War of 1812. He died in 1850, and is buried on the old Allentown cemetery. His wife, Susanna Amheisel, came from Springfield, in Bucks county. Their children were: Thomas, Reuben, Esther, married William Stein, and the wife of Lewis Loux.

Reuben Hartman died in 1852 and is buried at the Ziegel church. He was a blacksmith at New Smithville. His wife was Esther Sell, a daughter of John Sell. She is buried at Allen-



town. Their children were: Henry, who died at Catasauqua, at the age of forty-five years; Frank S.; John, who died, aged thirteen; and Sarah, of Allentown, is the widow of Louis Werner.

FRANK S. HARTMAN, of Allentown, is cashier for the Thomas Iron Company, at Hokendauqua, having entered the employ of the company on November 22, 1864, and served in various positions, principally as chief clerk in the Hokendauqua office. He was appointed cashier January 1, 1901. He has been employed by the company for nearly fifty years. In 1867, he married Ellen R. Andrews, a daughter of Jeremiah Andrews.

#### HARTZ FAMILY.

Jacob Hartz settled on what was later the line of the Lehigh and Susquehanna turnpike. The road was chartered in 1804 and built about 1808, and Mr. Hartz soon after erected a hotel which he conducted until 1820. It is known as the Spring Mountain House. He was a clock-maker by trade and a few of his clocks can still be found in this and neighboring counties. Col. Jacob Hartz was elected sheriff of Northampton county in 1829.

Peter Hartz and wife lived in Northampton county all their life and are buried at Bath. Among their children were the following: Hannah (Mrs. William Krock); a daughter, married to William Young; another daughter, married to a Mr. Siegfried, and Abraham.

Abraham Hartz was born in Northampton county, Dec. 13, 1826. Later he moved to Coplay where he taught school for several years. In 1860 he erected a hotel at the corner of Front and Coplay Streets, which he conducted until he sold it to Mr. Kline. He then built a house on the same place where he resided and managed his farm in Northampton county until his death on July 2, 1865. He was married to Elizabeth Schader, daughter of George and Elizabeth Schader. She was born Nov. 21, 1825, and died Feb. 21, 1906. They were the parents of three children: Lillian A., wife of Dr. N. C. Peters, of Cementon; Emma C., born Dec. 6, 1860, died July 18, 1863; and Milton J.

MILTON J. HARTZ, of Coplay, was born at that place Sept. 1, 1863. He received his education in the public schools of his native place. Owing to the death of his father while he was still very young he started to work at a very early age. He was employed by the Lehigh Valley Railroad for a period of sixteen years. By paying strict attention to the duties imposed upon him, he worked his way from the position of clerk to operator and later to station agent. In 1892 he resigned his position with the L. V. Railroad to accept a position with the American Ce-

ment Company of Egypt where he became the head bookkeeper, which position he filled until the company was reorganized in 1912, when he resigned. In politics he is a Republican and has filled the office of assessor, school director, and a member of the board of health. He has also been the committeeman of his party in the borough of Coplay. He holds membership in the following organizations: I. O. O. F., 239 of Catasauqua; Elks, of Allentown, and the Catasauqua Club. He and wife are members of Trinity Reformed Church, of Coplay, which he has served as deacon and trustee. On March 14, 1912, he was married to Sadie E., a daughter of Samuel I. and Margaret (Neff) Guth.

#### HARTZELL FAMILY.

Ulrich Hartzell was born August 20, 1705, and died, Feb. 11, 1771. It is not definitely known whether he was born near the Hartz mountains, in Germany, or whether his birth-place was near Zurich, Switzerland. However, he emigrated from Switzerland, and arrived at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Sept. 21, 1732, having made the voyage on the ship "Pink Plaisance." On the same vessel were Paul and Henry Hartzell, who was buried at the Indian Creek Reformed church, near Telford, Pennsylvania, and Hans Leonard Hartzell. Ulrich Hartzell bought a homestead near Sumneytown, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, in 1767, having been naturalized Sept. 2, 1763. His grave is in what is known as Dietz graveyard, and the Rev. John Theobald Faber officiated at his funeral, Feb. 14, 1771.

John Mark, youngest child of Ulrich Hartzell, was born Nov. 11, 1746, died Feb. 10, 1771, and was buried at the same time, and in the same grave with his father. He married Elizabeth, born March 31, 1748, died April 27, 1835, a daughter of John and Catherine Nyce, and had children: George; Philip N., of further mention. Mrs. Hartzell married (second) Philip Wentz; (third) Michael Hartman.

Philip N., son of John Mark and Elizabeth (Nyce) Hartzell, was born Sept. 4, 1769, died Jan. 4, 1849. He was buried at Indian Creek Reformed church, near Telford. He married Elizabeth, born February 7, 1770, died March 17, 1885, a daughter of Abraham and Anna Barbara Gerhart, and is buried with her husband. Among their eleven children were: Philip Gerhart, of further mention; Polly, born Jan. 29, 1794, died May 12, 1855. She married Jacob Cressman, son of Jacob and Elizabeth Cressman, and had children: Tobias, Hannah, Lydia, Jonas, John, Jacob, Polly, Elizabeth and Sarah.

Paul Gerhart, great-grandfather of Mrs. Elizabeth (Gerhart) Hartzell, lived in Alsace, at that

time a province of France, prior to 1700. He had three sons and one daughter who emigrated to America: Peter, Abram, another son and Barbara—French Huguenots, came here between 1730 and 1737. Peter, son of Paul Gerhart, settled in Franconia in 1737. Abram, eldest son of Peter Gerhart, was born Dec. 8, 1745. Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Abram Gerhart, married Philip N. Hartzell, as above stated.

Philip Gerhart, son of Philip N. and Elizabeth (Gerhart) Hartzell, was born Nov. 19, 1800, died Dec. 29, 1851. He married Elizabeth, born Dec. 25, 1807, died July 16, 1883, is buried with her husband in Indian Creek Reformed cemetery, near Telford. Her father, Henry Kerr, was born near Doylestown (?), and married (first) Magdalena Cressman, who died March 9, 1809, and (second) Annie Wentz and had one son: Dr. Marck G. Kerr, born Nov. 12, 1815, died June 19, 1888. Henry Kerr died August 9, 1853. Philip Gerhart and Elizabeth (Kerr) Hartzell had eleven children: 1. Mark, of further mention. 2. Maria, born Nov. 23, 1828, died August 7, 1904. Married Charles, son of Enos and Sophia Schlichter, and had children: Jane Mary, James, Emma, Ella and Frank. 3. Elizabeth, born April 18, 1831, died August 27, 1868. She married Charles G., son of Samuel and Sarah Brandt, and had: Charles Franklin and Anna Elizabeth. 4. Jacob, born August 19, 1833, died October 5, 1872, married Helen Stevens, of Westfield, Massachusetts, and had: Lucinda and Amelia. 5. Philip K., born Oct. 19, 1836, died March 15, 1900. He married Kate, daughter of Jacob and Phoebe Souder, and had: Maggie, Kate, Hermina and Franklin. 6. Henry Kerr, of further mention. 7. Lydia, born March 19, 1842, married Abram C., son of Jacob and Mary Godshall, and had: Martha, Harvey and Elizabeth. 8. Franklin Kerr, of further mention. 9. Alfred, born June 30, 1847, died March 5, 1904. Married Mary Nichola and had: Philip, Alfred and Clifford. 10. Richard, born July 14, 1849, died Feb. 19, 1872. 11. William Harvey, of further mention.

Mark, son of Philip Gerhart and Elizabeth (Kerr) Hartzell, was born September 27, 1827, and died March 25, 1890. He married Kate Gerhart, daughter of Isaac and Hannah Gerhart, and had: Winfield G., born Oct. 12, 1850, married Hattie D., daughter of Abram and Fannie Busbee, and has a child: Winfield; Lizzie, born Nov. 30, 1851, married Samuel S., son of Archibald and Agnes Smith; Charles Monroe, born April 16, 1854, married Lizzie, daughter of John and Lizzie Ahlum, and has: John Roscoe; Kate, born Oct. 10, 1856, married John, son of Benjamin P. and Margaret D. Jones, and has children.

Henry Kerr, son of Philip Gerhart and Elizabeth (Kerr) Hartzell, was born in Rockhill township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, May 6, 1839, and died Dec. 20, 1911. For a short time he studied in the medical department of the Jefferson College in Philadelphia, then pursued his studies in the University of Vermont, from which he was graduated in 1863 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For seven years he practiced his profession in Guthsville, Pennsylvania, then removed to Allentown, Lehigh county, in 1870, where he was in the banking business seven years. Mining operations then claimed his attention, and he was one of the organizers of the Lehigh Valley Trust and Safe Deposit Company, and a director in it. He was a member of the Reformed Church, an independent Democrat and a thirty-second degree Mason. Mr. Hartzell married Mary A., a daughter of Dr. Tilghman H and Mary A (Kramer) Martin, granddaughter of Dr. Jacob and Jane Martin, and great-granddaughter of Dr. Christian Frederick Martin, who was born in Prussia, Dec. 22, 1727, came to America and settled at Trappe, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. They had children: Helen M., and Henry Kerr, Jr. He died Dec. 20, 1911.

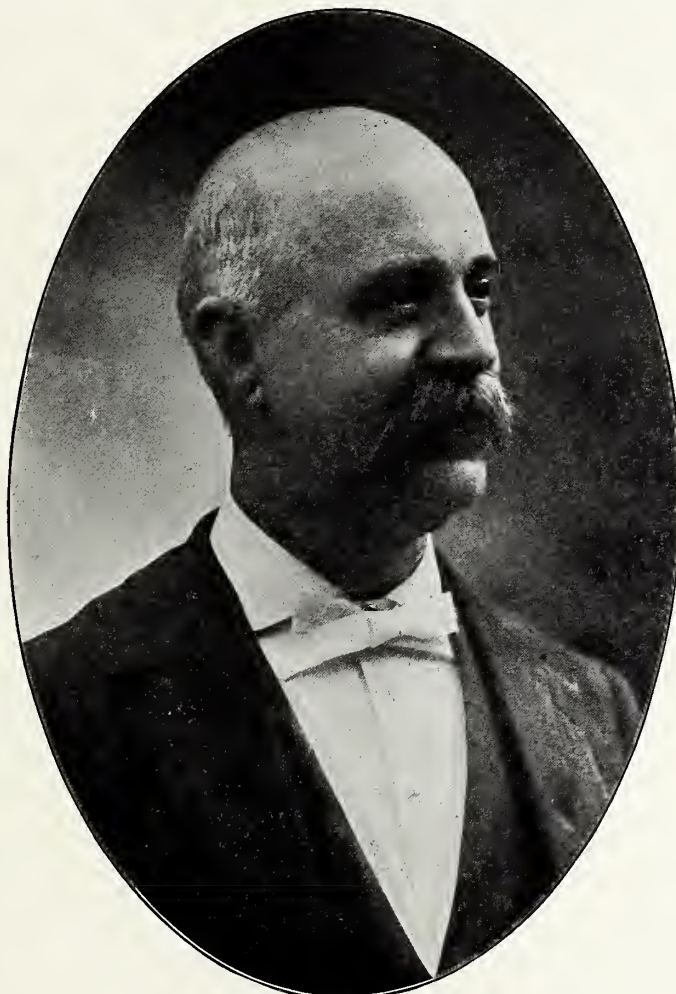
Franklin Kerr, son of Philip Gerhart and Elizabeth (Kerr) Hartzell, was born in Rockhill, Pennsylvania, Sept. 29, 1844. Studied medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, and was graduated in 1868 as Doctor of Medicine. Took post graduate course and a special course in operative surgery at Keene's School of Anatomy and had private instruction in microscopy from Professor Tyson, of Philadelphia. He had commenced practicing in Guthsville, when, late in 1868, he passed an examination for assistant surgeon in the United States Navy, and served until 1873. In 1871, being on the battleship "Palos," he took part in the war with Korea. Dr. Hartzell then resigned and became cashier of the Girard Savings Bank, of Allentown, until 1877. From that year until 1886 he was assistant postmaster in the city of Allentown, then teller in the Lehigh Valley Trust and Safe Deposit Company, and afterward assistant secretary and treasurer of the same institution. He is a Republican. Dr. Hartzell married, Oct. 7, 1877, Alice, a daughter of Reuben and Eliza (Stahr) Knecht, granddaughter of Thomas and Magdalena Loudenberger, and of Rev. Lewis and Catherine (Wolfinger) Stahr, and a great-granddaughter of John and Catherine Stahr. Dr. Hartzell and his wife have one son: Alfred Stanley, a lawyer.

Dr. William Harvey Hartzell, youngest child of Philip Gerhart and Elizabeth (Kerr) Hartzell, was born in Rockhill township, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, Nov. 22, 1851. He was



but five weeks old when his father died, and until the age of seven years he was in the care of his mother, and was then placed with strangers until his seventeenth year. During this period he attended the district school from four to five months each year. Later he attended the Washington Collegiate Institute at Trappe, and in 1871 matriculated at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, from which he was

Transit Company. He has served as a member of the School Board and of the Board of Health. As Democratic nominee for mayor in 1888 Dr. Hartzell was defeated by a small majority. He served as treasurer of the Democratic County Committee. He was elected president of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, at Scranton, in 1904; was president of the Jefferson Medical Alumni Association in 1901; in 1905 declined



DR. WILLIAM H. HARTZELL.

graduated in March, 1873. He at once established himself in practice at Adamstown, Lancaster county, removing to Harleyville, Montgomery county, in 1877, and to Allentown in 1881. He soon attained distinction as an efficient doctor. He was chief physician of Allentown hospital three years, having been identified with it from its organization; was a trustee of the Norristown Insane Asylum, 1894-1901; was chief surgeon of the Lehigh Valley Transit Company and of the Philadelphia and Lehigh Valley

to become resident chief of the male department of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Norristown. He is the author of "A Chart of Nervous Diseases," and has written numerous articles for medical journals. In 1911 he toured the United States, including California and the extreme West, and in 1914 spent some time in the Holy Land, while he was touring Europe, Asia and Africa. His membership in organizations of various kinds is as follows: Lehigh Valley Medical Association; Lehigh County Medical So-

ciety; American Medical Association; Mason, past high priest and trustee of Allen Chapter, No. 203, Royal Arch Masons; past thrice illustrious grand master of Allen Council, No. 23, Royal and Select Masters; in 1895 was eminent commander of Allen Commandery, No. 20, Knights Templar; Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Jan. 26, 1910, Dr. Hartzell was elected president of the Citizens' Deposit and Trust Company, having been a director since its organization, and vice-president since January, 1907. He is a member of St. John's Reformed church. He resigned as president and director of the trust company Dec. 13, 1913. Dr. Hartzell married, Nov. 10, 1874, Mary Louisa, daughter of Harry and Rachel Stauffer, of Lancaster City, Pennsylvania. Children: 1. Harry Stauffer, born Feb. 1, 1876, was graduated from Lafayette College in 1897, and is expert chemist for the Coplay Cement Company; married, Jan. 1, 1903, Bertie Belle, a daughter of Amabel and Sallie Bonneville. 2. Elizabeth Kerr, born August 4, 1877, died Nov. 14, 1905; married, June 17, 1903, Howard S. Foering, professor at and principal of the Bethlehem Preparatory School, and had one child: Louise Julia, born Nov. 27, 1904. 3. Dr. Reinhard Keelor, was born August 3, 1879, was graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1899, and from Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia in 1902. He is now engaged in practice in Reno, Nevada. He married, in September, 1903, Jennie A., a daughter of David and Amanda Kuntz, and has one child: William Kuntz, born Jan. 19, 1908. 4. William Harvey, Jr., born June 20, 1882, was graduated from the Allentown high school, and is at present the Lehigh county agent of the Charles S. Schierin Company, of New York City. 5. Edward Franklin, was born Nov. 16, 1887, and was graduated from Lafayette College in 1909. He is an expert Engineer for the New Jersey Zinc Company at Palmerton, Pennsylvania.

ALFRED S. HARTZELL, of Allentown, with offices in the Commonwealth building, was born at West Bethlehem, Sept. 16, 1878, and is the only son of Franklin Kerr Hartzell. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown, the Muhlenberg Preparatory School, and was graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1897. He then registered in the law offices of Kauffman & Renninger, remaining in that office until the death of the senior member of this firm, when he completed his course of law under the preceptorship of Hon. Clinton A. Groman, the president judge of the courts of Lehigh county, who at that time was district attorney of Lehigh county. Mr. Hartzell was admitted to the bar on May 20, 1901, and now enjoys a general practice. He is a Republican in politics.

For a number of years Mr. Hartzell has been the solicitor of the Security Building Association, and was one of the incorporators and the first secretary of the *Allentown Democrat*. He served this corporation as solicitor until it changed partnership in April, 1910. He has membership in the Alpha Tau Omega College Fraternity. In the summer of 1909 he became one of the organizers of the *Allentown Forum* and serves as its treasurer.

Jacob Hartzell (I) had a son Jacob (II). The latter was born in the Locust Valley, Pennsylvania, and was a farmer and miller by trade. He married Elizabeth Ott and they had these children: Jacob (III); George W.; Emma, married to Abraham Schantz; Mary, married to William Collady; Matilda, married to Lyman Ashby; and Rebecca, married to Peter Davis.

George W. Hartzell, Sr., was a resident of Allentown, where for a time he was engaged in the mercantile business and later was a traveling salesman. He also served as alderman of the Tenth ward, Allentown. He was married to Sarah Schantz and they had these children: Rev. Jacob, who settled in Virginia; Irene, deceased; wife of Rev. Elmer Krause, of Chicago; and George W., Jr., of Allentown, who is married to Annie Egner, of Macungie.

Jacob, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Ott) Hartzell, was born in Locust Valley, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, August 2, 1831, died at Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, in August, 1895, and was interred in West End cemetery. He was educated in the public schools of Locust Valley and the Allentown Seminary. He removed to Philadelphia where he conducted a dry goods and grocery store from 1854 to 1867, then lived in Hollyville for a time, from whence he went to Felton, Delaware, and there operated a saw mill and cultivated a farm. Removing to Dillingerville, Lehigh county, he was engaged in farming two years, then became timekeeper in the Glen Rolling Mill at Allentown, a position he filled two years. He next entered the employ of M. S. Young & Company, with whom he was associated for twenty-two years. He was Republican in his political views, and a member of Bethany Evangelical church, a liberal contributor to this institution, and a teacher in its Sunday school for more than twenty years. Mr. Hartzell married Mary A., born in 1833, a daughter of John and Mary (Ziegenfus) Sommers, of Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, and who now resides with her daughter, Rebecca, married to Alvin P. M. Fegley, in Allentown. Children: John S., of further mention; Jacob, born in 1856, lives in Boulder, Colo.; George, born in 1858, lives in Easton, Pennsylvania; Mary E., married Wallace Mertz, of Allentown; Rebecca,



married A. P. M. Fegley; Matilda, born in 1864, died in 1896; William, born in 1866, resides in Philadelphia; Emma, born in 1867, died in 1870; Sarah A., born in 1870, died in 1888; Howard, born in 1872, died in 1889; Annie, married George R. Roth, of Allentown.

John S., son of Jacob and Mary A. (Somers) Hartzell, was born at Philadelphia, Dec. 4, 1854. He was educated in the public schools of Felton, Delaware, and the Allentown Business College, and then entered the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, his first position being that of clerk, after which he was in succession, ticket agent, passenger and freight solicitor, and remained with the company from 1874 to 1901. He resigned his position in order to engage in the real estate, insurance and building business, with which he has been successfully identified. He is a Republican in politics, and his religious affiliation is with the St. Matthew's Lutheran church, of which he has been a member since 1876, and which he has served as elder and trustee. Mr. Hartzell married in Allentown, Oct. 3, 1876, Amanda M., daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Moser) Grim. Children: Lizzie, married Tilghman A. J. Kelchner, of Allentown; Florence G., married Lyman P. Clark, of South Pasadena, California; Ralph G., cashier of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Allentown, married Edna B., daughter of Milton H. and J. Amanda (Hollis) Landis; Katie S., married H. I. Moyer; Mary and Hattie, died in infancy; John Edgar, a law student at the Lehigh University.

#### HON. EDWARD HARVEY.

The Harvey family, originally spelled Harveye, are descended from Matthias Harveye, of Northampton county, England. He settled on Long Island, 1669, and married, December 2, 1682, Margaret Horbit, of Flushing. She died without issue, June 9, 1688, when he married Sarah Harrington, of Flushing, June 2, 1689. She had three children: Matthias, born April 4, 1690, died Aug. 1742; Thomas, born Oct. 27, 1692, died August, 1758, and Benjamin, born April 11, 1695, and died March, 1730. Thomas Harvey, second son of Matthias Harvey and Sarah Harrington, married Tamar, and had issue: Joseph, born February 8, 1734; Matthias, March 7, 1739; William, August 28, 1748, and Thomas, February 13, 1750, and eight daughters. The daughters were all born in Upper Makefield, but the date of birth and the names are not known. Thomas Harvey, son of Benjamin, who was the second son of Matthias, the elder, was born May, 1749, but nothing is known of his marriage, when, where or to whom. There was also a Joshua

Harvey, born to one of the sons of Matthias, the elder, who married Elizabeth Patrick, and died at St. Thomas, August 24, 1808. While Matthias Harveye, the elder, lived on Long Island he attained some prominence, among the public positions he held being that of one of the justices of King's county, to which he was appointed October 1, 1690.

There is some uncertainty when Matthias Harveye, the elder, came to Bucks county and settled in Upper Makefield. As he was living at Flushing, Long Island, November 1, 1696, he must have come to Bucks county subsequent to that time, but we can only approximate it by a real estate deed he was party to. The public records show that on the 8th of 12th month, 1698-9, William Biles, attorney for Thomas Hudson, conveyed one thousand and fifty acres in Upper Makefield to Matthias Harveye for the consideration of £275, the deed being acknowledged in open court. In the recital the purchaser is spoken of as "of Bucks county." There is no positive evidence he was then living in Upper Makefield, but doubtless he was, and the inference is equally strong that he died there. At that time, and down to 1713, Bucks county wills were admitted to probate in Philadelphia, and this was the case with that of Matthias Harveye, the elder. It was dated April 5, 1699, and probated at Philadelphia November 23, 1706, the inference being that he died shortly prior to the latter date. He devised his large landed estate to his three sons, as follows: To Matthias, his dwelling house and 400 acres; Thomas, 300 acres, and to Benjamin, 300 acres, the remaining 50 acres not being covered by and included in the bequests. It may have been sold prior to his death or otherwise disposed of. On the death of the sons of Matthias Harveye, the elder, they devised their real and personal property to their children.

In the last century the Harveye family have become much scattered, few of them remaining in Upper Makefield, although many are to be found Bucks and other counties and states. Enoch Harvey, a son of Joseph and great-grandson of Matthias, the elder, removed to Doylestown, near the close of the eighteenth century, and purchased what is now the "Fountain House," one of the most popular inns of the county seat of the past and present centuries. Here he spent his life, dying in 1831. His wife was Sarah Stewart, daughter of Charles Stewart, Warwick township, to whom he was married, March 20, 1792, the ceremony taking place in the Neshaminy Presbyterian church. Letters of more recent years speak of Mrs. Harvey, *nee* Stewart, in the highest terms, as a woman of great refinement, intelligence and dignity of manners.

The Stewarts were among the earliest Scotch-Irish settlers in Bucks county, Charles Stewart being probably a son of John Stewart, who first appears in Northampton, 1729, and subsequently in Plumstead. Enoch Harvey had a family of several children, among them the late Joseph Harvey, and Dr. George T. Harvey, Doylestown. A daughter married William H. Powell, Norristown, who was proprietor and editor of the *Doylestown Democrat*, a couple years or more, 1832-3. The Harveys have always been a patriotic family, six of the name from Bucks county serving in the armies of the Revolution, one in Captain Darrah's company, 1777.

Dr. George T. Harvey enrolled his name in a company for the Mexican War, but the quota being full from this state his military aspirations were nipped in the bud. When the Civil War, 1861-65, broke out he was one of the first in the county to enroll, serving as a lieutenant in the Doylestown Guards in the three months' campaign in the Shenandoah Valley, and subsequently three years in the One Hundred and Fourth Pennsylvania regiment. Charles Stewart, probably the father of Enoch Harvey's wife, was an ensign in the first company, fourth battalion Bucks County Militia, 1776, his commission bearing date May 6.

Hon. Edward Harvey, one of the most prominent members of the bar in eastern Pennsylvania, the only son of Dr. George T. Harvey, of Doylestown, and Mary (Kinsey) LaRue, was born in Doylestown, Bucks county, January 17, 1844. In his early boyhood days he was a pupil in the public schools of his native place and afterward attended the excellent private school conducted by Rev. S. A. Andrews, D.D. Later he attended the high school of Lawrenceville, New Jersey, near Princeton, and in 1860 he entered Princeton College, where he remained until the end of the junior year, when he abandoned his collegiate course and commenced the study of law under the preceptorship of Hon. George Lear, then the leading member of the Bucks county bar, and subsequently attorney-general of Pennsylvania. In the fall of 1865 he was admitted to practice in the courts of his native county. In November of the same year he visited Allentown, and on the 8th day of that month, on motion of Hon. S. A. Bridges, he became a member of the Lehigh county bar.

He took up his permanent residence in Allentown on January 1, 1866, and commenced the practice of his profession in the office of Hon. S. A. Bridges. It was soon evident that he prepared his cases with masterly skill and precision, and his forceful and logical presentation before court and jury soon demonstrated his ability to

cope with the intricate problems of jurisprudence. He thus soon acquired a lucrative practice, which was confined not only to the limits of his county but frequently called him to adjoining counties and into the federal courts, as well as to the argument of cases in the supreme court of Pennsylvania. He was especially well qualified for the successful performance of the duties of his profession, possessing an analytical mind, a keen insight in the vital subjects involved in a subject, a pleasing presence, and superior gifts of oratory in presenting matters forcibly and eloquently. A contemporary biographer has said "In a comparatively brief period he attained to the leading position at the Lehigh county bar and has since held that place."

Mr. Harvey's study of the political questions and issues led him through conviction to give an unflinching and earnest support to the principles of the Democratic party. Political preferment had no attraction for him, however, and he was inclined to devote his energies to his professional duties. Notwithstanding this he gave his party and state the loyal support of a patriotic citizen. In 1873 he was chosen a member of the constitutional convention, representing the senatorial district comprising Lehigh and Carbon counties. In that body he served as a member of the committee on corporations, and took an active part in framing the organic law of the state. On June 14, 1878, he was appointed president judge of the thirty-first judicial district of Pennsylvania to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. A. B. Longaker. The appointment coming to him from a Republican governor, Gen. John F. Hartranft, was a compliment to his professional knowledge and personal worth. He filled the office until the first Monday in January, 1879, the close of the unexpired term. His career on the bench was in keeping with his brilliant record as a practitioner. His decisions were strictly fair and impartial, and clearly indicated a comprehensive knowledge of the law. Only six of the cases were ever appealed, and in each of these his decision was sustained.

After his retirement from the bench Judge Harvey resumed the active practice of the law, and a large clientage is indicative of the confidence reposed in his professional ability by the public. In 1878 he was solicited to become the nominee upon an independent ticket for president judge of Lehigh county, but he declined the honor, and in 1879 he also declined to accept an independent candidacy for judge of the court of common pleas of Berks county. In 1882 he was waited upon by a committee of the judicial conferees of Dauphin and Lebanon counties who wished to obtain his permission to use his name in connection with the



Democratic nomination, but this he also declined. In the fall of 1903, he, however, accepted the Democratic nomination for president judge of Lehigh county, but was defeated by Frank M. Trexler. On April 9, 1884, he was chosen by the Democratic state convention to represent the tenth congressional district in the Democratic National convention held in Chicago in July of that year.

In March, 1878, when the First National Bank of Allentown was compelled to suspend through the unexpected failure of William H. Blumer & Company, bankers, Mr. Harvey was chosen its president. As the bank was in liquidation its assets needed careful handling to insure payment of the debts, and the duties of its president were responsible and delicate. The discharge of these duties called for masterly legal ability and financial skill. In his successful and satisfactory conduct of the bank's affairs he may be said to have scored one of the notable triumphs of his professional life.

At one time he was president of the Nazareth Portland Cement Company. In 1907 he became president of the Second National Bank of Allentown, and was president of the board of trustees of the Allentown Hospital Association, in which institution he took great interest. His services as an orator were sought on many popular occasions, and probably the most notable occasion of this kind was his delivery of the memorial address in Allentown upon President McKinley.

Judge Harvey possessed one of the finest law libraries in eastern Pennsylvania and also had an extensive private library of miscellaneous books. He was perfectly familiar with literature of every description and his retentive memory and power of applying what he had read to matters in hand served him admirably in presenting vividly and pleasingly any subject he discussed. His advancement depended entirely on individual merit, and his standing and reputation as a lawyer and thinker were won through earnest and honest labor. Judge Harvey died September 7, 1913, unmarried, and bequeathed a large amount of money to the Allentown Hospital.

#### HAWK FAMILY.

Near Kresgeville, Monroe county, Pa., lived Conrad Hawk, a pioneer farmer. He died about the year 1860, advanced in years. Margaret Fisher, his wife, died after the Civil War, past 80 years of age. The parents of Conrad Hawk came from Wurtemberg in Germany and they had settled in what is now Monroe county. Conrad and Margaret (Fisher) Hawk had the following sons and no daughters: Joseph (who lived at Kunkeltown, Pa.); John (lived at

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.); George was a farmer in Monroe county; Conrad (who was feeble minded); Michael.

Michael Hawk, son of Conrad, was born April 11, 1806, and he was a lumberman and farmer. He spent many of his years cutting down timbers and he lost his life in the woods in Carbon county. While he was cutting down a tree, one of the limbs fell down upon him and killed him, on Nov. 15, 1850, aged 44 years. He is buried at Kresgeville.

His wife, Catharine Serfass, is buried in the Union Cemetery at Allentown. She was a daughter of Joseph Serfass. He and family were members of the Evangelical Church. Their children follow: Samuel, Nathan, Matilda, (married W. H. Diefenderfer), Theresa (married David Schoudt), Jacob, Linford (died at Weissport, Pa.), Cecelia (widow of Reuben Schmale, lives at Allentown), William (a carpenter, died at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.), Hannah (married Henry Smith), Mrs. James Diehl, Sarah (died a maiden at Allentown), Edwin (died at Weatherly, Pa., when a young man).

Samuel Hawk, the oldest son of Michael, was born in Monroe county, July 16, 1829. He was a lumber manufacturer and his sawmill was located on Mud Run, in Penn Forest township, Carbon County, near Albrightsville, where he owned a tract of 700 acres of woodland. He first came to Allentown in 1870, but the following year he moved to Pleasant Valley, Bucks county, where he operated a grist mill and farm until in 1884 at which time he removed to Allentown, where he died Dec. 30, 1901, aged 73 years. He and family were members of the Evangelical church. In Carbon county he served the office of school director. His widow, Elizabeth, *nee* Serfass, an estimable Christian lady who is well provided for and is past eighty years of age, still resides at 919 Gordon St., Allentown. Their children follow: Henry E. (died at Easton, Pa.); Freeman, (mentioned later); Joseph H.; Cassilia (married James E. Hixson); Pearson (died in infancy); and Clinton S.

FREEMAN HAWK, a grain and lumber merchant at Allentown, was born at Albrightsville, Carbon county, Pa., Feb. 19, 1853, and is the second son of Samuel and Elizabeth Hawk. He served as a book-keeper at Allentown from 1872 until 1877, at which time he engaged in the milling business at Iron Hill, near Hellertown, Pa. After conducting a successful business there for five years he removed to Allentown in 1882, where he carried on extensively the flour and feed business for a period of 15 years. Afterward he engaged in the wholesale business of

grain, hay, etc., and this he has carried on with continuous success ever since. In the year 1892, Mr. Hawk became a member of the Pine Lumber Company, of Newbern, North Carolina, and in 1902 he became the president of this company which at the present time manufactures 60,000 feet of lumber daily, and gives employment to 500 people. The company owns 50,000 acres of standing timber which is situated in five counties in the state of North Carolina. Mr. Freeman Hawk and his family are actively identified with the Trinity United Evangelical church at Allentown, and he has served the church in an official capacity since the year 1885, having been an exhorter, steward and a trustee, and he has always been a liberal contributor.

JOSEPH H. HAWK, the third son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Serfass) Hawk, was born Oct. 27, 1856, at Albrightsville, Carbon county, Pa. He was educated in the public schools, and at the close of his school days, he learned the milling trade with his father in Bucks county. He later rented his father's mill and operated it for a period of thirteen years. He continued this business until 1900, when he purchased the old "Kemmerer's Mill," located on Cedar creek, Salisbury township, near Allentown, now known as the Anchor Roller Mills. This mill Mr. Hawk remodeled and equipped it with the latest machinery, including rollers, a 32-inch water-wheel with a 12-foot fall, cement race, etc. It now has a capacity of 35 barrels per day of the popular brand of flour known as the "Latest."

Joseph H. Hawk married in 1888 Mary A. Riegel, daughter of Thomas and Sarah (Lutz) Riegel. Issue: (1) Elsie (Mrs. Fred Horn); (2) Florence, deceased; (3) Myra (Mrs. Morris Kemmerer); and (4) Warren L., his father's assistant in the milling business.

Mr. Hawk and family are members of Trinity U. E. Church, of Allentown.

He was married to Harriet Beidelman in 1870. She is a native of Bucks county, Pa., and they had the following children: Harvey and Lizzie, who both died small; Clara (wife of Edwin G. Schwartz, of the firm of F. Schwartz & Son, Allentown); Raymond (who died small); and Sylvia A., at home.

Clinton S. Hawk, the youngest son of Samuel Hawk was born in Bucks county, on July 3, 1872. He was engaged in clerical pursuits at Allentown for eight years, afterwards he removed to Griesemersville, in Salisbury township, and there had charge of a dairy farm for three years. He returned to Allentown in 1900 to accept the position of a travelling salesman with his brother, Freeman, and he has continued

to serve in this position up to the present time. He and family are members of the Trinity U. E. Church.

He was married in 1893 to Katie I. Bobb, a daughter of George and Mary (Butz) Bobb, of East Greenville, Montgomery County, Pa. They have one son, George S. Hawk.

#### RICHARD A. HAWKINS.

Richard Alonzo Hawkins, veteran of the Civil War, was born in 1843 in New York City, where he was reared and for a time in his early manhood he was connected with a minstrel show. When the Civil War broke out he responded to the call for troops and enlisted in Co. H, 39th Regt., New York Vol. Infantry for three years, and during his term of service participated in numerous battles in the campaigns in the state of Virginia, until the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. For meritorious and gallant services he was promoted from the ranks to corporal, and afterward to sergeant. He was honorably discharged with his company at Washington, D. C., on July 1, 1865. While in camp life he contributed much entertainment and amusement to his companions by singing war and humorous songs. At the close of the Civil War, Mr. Hawkins located at Allentown and he became one of the first members of Yeager Post, No. 15, G. A. R., his membership having been continued until now. His great-grandfather, Benjamin Hawkins, private secretary to George Washington, was descended from Admiral John Hawkins, one of the commanders of the English fleet who opposed the Spanish Armada in Queen Elizabeth's reign.

#### HAUSER FAMILY.

Michael Hauser came to this country on the ship Richmond, which landed at Philadelphia, Oct. 20, 1764. He was married to Miss Xander, and had settled in the vicinity of the Jordan Lutheran Church, in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county. He was a laborer, and it is believed that he and his wife are buried at that church.

Their children were: Michael, Jr., George, David, Peter, John, Margaret (m. Joseph Laudenslager), Catharine (m. Henry Strauss) and Maria (m. Elias Muse).

Michael Hauser, Jr., was born in Philadelphia, March 25, 1789, and with his parents came to Whitehall township, this county. By trade he was a basket maker, and by occupation a laborer.

While engaged in digging a well, some miscreant, during the night, cut the rope which was used in hoisting the men and earth in and out



of the well. The rope was cut about ten feet from an end, and it happened that it was Mr. Hauser's lot to go down into the well first on that morning, and as he was entering the well the rope broke and he fell a distance of seventy feet, breaking his back and ever after that was a cripple until death relieved him on Feb. 11, 1863, at the age of 73 years, 10 month and 11 days. He died at the home of his esteemed son-in-law, Mr. Charles Glick.

He married Elizabeth George, a daughter of Philip George, and a granddaughter of Philip George, Sr., the latter was killed by the Indians in Northampton county and is buried at the Indian land church.

Michael Hauser, Jr., and his wife, Elizabeth, had the following eleven children: Isaac married Sarah Williams, and they moved to Troy, Ohio. Reuben married (first) Catharine Mertz, and (second) Rebecca Stark. He lived at Naperville, Ill. Ephraim married Lovina Neitz, a sister of Rev. Solomon Neitz. They lived in Naperville, Ill. Maria married Charles Glick, deceased. Eliza married A. Nunermacher, of this county. Catharine married Samuel Hallman, of Jesup, Iowa. Caroline married Jackson Biege. Both deceased, and are buried at the Egypt church. Michael, who was born Jan. 3, 1830, died Feb. 8, 1908. He was a farmer and was married to Catharine Koch. She was born Nov. 23, 1833, now lives at Hellertown. Their children follow: James J., of whom below; Allavesta (m. H. Gruber); Milton (m. Anna Kline); Michael E. (m. Susan Knobel); John J. (m. Annie Ritter); Oscar F. (m. Tama Kistler); and Laura (m. Sanford Yost). Tilghman married Miss Butz. They live at Naperville, Illinois. Leana married T. Knappenberger of this county; and a daughter who died in infancy.

PROF. JAMES J. HAUSER, veteran school teacher and a local historian of the county, is the oldest child of Michael and Catharine (Koch) Hauser.

He was born Sept. 21, 1854, in Salisbury township. He was educated in the public schools of the county, also attended the public schools of the states of Ohio and Illinois and the private school of Prof. Thomas Reichard, at Hellertown, Pa., in 1872. In the latter year he began teaching, having now taught 41 terms, as follows: Lehigh Mountain, 4 terms; Ritter's (Salisbury), on term; Salisbury Church School, one term; Merkel's, one term; Vera Cruz secondary school, two terms; Vera Cruz mixed, two terms; Brunner's school, 3 terms; Old Zionsville, one term; Geisinger's, one term; Miller's, one term; Powder Valley, two terms; Koch's, one term;

Emaus, five terms; Keck's, five terms; Ritter's (Lower Macungie), six terms; all in Lehigh county; and one term in the South Easton school and two terms, United School, both in Lower Saucon township, Northampton county; and Fink school 1913-1914.

Mr. Hauser is a reporter for the *Leader*, *Democrat* and the *Morning Call*; a charter member of the Lehigh County Historical Society; and a member of the German Society. He wrote a concise school history of Lehigh county, and compiled an outline of United States History.

He is a charter member of the Emaus Council, No. 436, Jr. O. U. A. M., of which he is a past counsellor, and represented his council in the state convention at Altoona in 1897. He is also a member of Col. T. H. Good Camp, No. 208, S. of V., which organization he served in all the various offices, also served as delegate to several state conventions and the D. B. A. associations. Member of the Martha Washington Council, No. 42, of Emaus, which he also served in all its offices, and representative to the National Convention at Buffalo, in 1901.

Himself and family are members of St. Matthew U. E. Church, of Emaus, which he served as class leader, trustee, superintendent of the Sunday school, and was delegate to the annual conference of the church in 1894, which met at Reading, Pa.

He was census enumerator for 1910 for the East Texas District, in Lower Macungie township.

He married, Sept. 12, 1874, Miss Annie M. Lesch, daughter of the late Anthony and Catharine (Lambert) Lesch, of Williams township, who with the Fehrs were descendants of pioneer families of Northampton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Hauser had five children, viz: Victor, married Myrtle Knause, and they have Lillian, Gladys, Stanley and Clarence. Rosa died aged nine years. Milton H. died aged one year. Matilda M. died in her second year. William married Lillie Schlegel, and their children are Elsie, Myrtle, Russell, Charles, deceased, Albert and Raymond.

OSCAR F. HAUSER, son of Michael and Catharine (Koch) Hauser, was born Feb. 1, 1874, in Spring township, Bucks county. He spent his youth upon his father's farm and in the meantime up to the age of fourteen years attended the public schools. He then went to Allentown, on Sept. 10, 1888, entered the employ of his brother, John J. Hauser. He remained with him for twenty years, having during this period learned all the details of the shoe business.

In 1909 the Lehigh Shoe and Rubber Company was organized and Mr. Hauser became the

vice president of the company, which sells at wholesale only. He and his family are members of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. He was a member of the consistory for six years. He is a member of Barger Lodge No. 333, F. and A. M.; J. O. A. M., Sons of Veterans and K. of L.

Oscar F. Hauser married March 27, 1894, Mantana E. Kistler, daughter of Wilson H. and Sophia (Blose) Kistler, born near Tripoli. Issue: Warren, who was educated in the public schools supplemented by a course in Dorney's Business College and is now employed by Hunsicker & Company, and Margaret, a student.

#### HAUSMAN FAMILY.

This family was among the early settlers of Heidelberg township. The tax lists of 1762 of that district record Jacob and Christian Hausman as paying nine and four pounds tax respectively. Christian, Frederick, and Johannes Hausman whose history follows were brothers and probably sons of Christian above named.

Christian Hausman was born Aug. 14, 1767, and lived in North Whitehall township, this county, where he was a farmer. He was married to Magdalena Peter and died on March 16, 1833, in his sixty-sixth year. They had these ten children: John; Daniel; Christian; George; Johan Michael; Maricha Xander; Salome Beck; Sallie Klotz; Maria Shirey; and Esther, married to Michael Woodring.

Frederick Hausman, a brother of the above named Christian, lived near Unionville, in North Whitehall township, and there he had upwards of 300 acres of land, and in connection with farming he carried on the business of dyeing woolen and linen goods. He and his wife, Magdalena Roth, were members of the Lutheran congregation of the Unionville church. Their children follow:

John, Jacob, Andrew, Elizabeth, married Conrad Lentz.

———, married Philip Handwerk.

Barbara, born Aug. 16, 1800, married John Hausman, son of Christian.

Anna Maria, married John Frey.

———, married Daniel Frey, brother of John Frey.

Salome, married Henry Rockel.

Johannes Hausman, a brother of Christian and Frederick, was a farmer in Lowhill township. He was the father of these children: Solomon, who was a weaver at Trexlertown, Pa.; Jacob, who had a son, Nathan (1815-1838), married Julianna Weida; and Maria, who married Jacob Gackenbach. She died aged 97 years.

John Hausman, son of Christian, Sr., and

Magdalena (Peters) Hausman, was born April 15, 1794, and he died upon his farm situated near Hollenbach's Mill, Oct. 21, 1867, aged 73 years, 6 months, and six days. His wife Barbara Hausman, was a daughter of Frederick Hausman. She was born Aug. 16, 1800, and died May 19, 1884, aged nearly 84 years. Their children were: Maria, married George Metzger; Henry; Menno; Joshua; Samuel, who died aged sixteen years. Daniel Hausman, son of Christian, Sr., and Magdalena (Peters) Hausman, married Miss Fenstermacher. They lived in Lowhill upon a farm. Their children were: Boas and Hannah, the wife of James Keck.

Christian Hausman, Jr., son of Christian and Magdalena (Peters) Hausman, was born Feb. 3, 1797, and died Dec. 14, 1854. He was a farmer in Washington township. He and family were Lutheran members of the Unionville congregation and there they are also buried. He was married twice. The first wife was Barbara ——— (1797-1838), and the second wife was Anna Henninger and the widow of a Mr. Graul. He had issue by both wives. By the second wife he had Franklin; William; and Mary, who married Frank Roth.

George Hausman, son of Christian, Sr., and Magdalena (Peters) Hausman, was born Nov. 1, 1800, and he was an extensive farmer near Schnecksville, in North Whitehall. His farm was a homestead of the Hausman family. The barn on this farm was probably built by his father and it is still standing. He died March 8, 1872. He married Anna Hoffman, born May 3, 1806; died Dec. 1, 1877. Their children were: Oscar; David; Tilgman; Alfred; Jane, married Nathan Everett; Mrs. Sabilla Jones, Mrs. Madina Eck; Leanda married Moses Peter; and Clara married Alexander Peter. Tilgman, Alfred, Leanda, and Clara are deceased.

Franklin Hausman, son of Christian, Jr., and Anna (Henninger) Hausman was born on the homestead in Washington township Aug. 18, 1843. He was a blacksmith and a farmer in Salisbury township for many years. He served the Jerusalem Church in that district as a deacon, elder, and trustee, and died on Feb. 14, 1901. He married Mary Geiss, a daughter of David and Mary (Euberoth) Geiss, born Jan. 30, 1848, and died Aug. 27, 1907. Their children are: Percival C.; William I.; Harry F.; Wallace E.; Wayne D., born Nov. 25, 1877, died Dec. 12, 1910; Mamie M., married Edgar Butz; and Jennie I., the wife of Jacob Bleam. She was born Jan. 3, 1884 and died May 20, 1904.

Johan Michael Hausman, son of Christian and Magdalena (Peters) Hausman, was born Jan. 5,



1803. He owned and lived upon a large farm in Lynn township now owned by Levi Snyder. He died on July 17, 1855 in his fifty-third year. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at New Tripoli where he is buried. He married in 1825 Anna Maria Hunsicker. Their children were: James; Messina (m. Willoughby Snyder); Joseph; Sarah (m. Amanda Oswald); and Anna M. (Hunsicker) Hausman.

Joseph H. Hausman, son of Johan Michael, was born July 23, 1839, and died Nov. 2, 1899. He lived in Heidelberg where he was a carpenter, also a farmer having a 30-acre tract. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation of Ebenezer Church which he served as a deacon. He married Polly Levan. Their children were: Jane (m. Phaton Fenstermacher); James; Lewis M.; Irvin; and Carl C. (1838-1841).

LEWIS M. HAUSMAN, son of Joseph H. and Polly (Levan) Hausman, was born in Heidelberg Nov. 15, 1869. For nine years he operated a steam saw mill in Lehigh, Northampton, Carbon, and Berks counties employing a large force of men. In 1901 he began farming at German's Corner, where he lived two years; and in 1908 he purchased his present farm of 72 acres in Heidelberg which is a valuable tract. In 1892 he married Emma J. Hunsicker, a daughter of Owen and Julia (Handwerk) Hunsicker. Owen was a son of Henry Hunsicker, whose wife was a German. Mr. and Mrs. Hausman have an only son, Elmer L.

John Hausman, son of Frederick Hausman, was born Oct. 5, 1785 and he died May 19, 1847, aged 61 years, 7 months, and 14 days. He was a tailor by trade and had a farm in Whitehall township. He was a tall erect man and was called "Gentleman John." He married Susanna Hoates and they had these children: Reuben; Nathan (1821-1896); Edwin; Hannah married Joseph Hand; Sarah married John Eisenhard; and Mrs. Sherer.

Jacob Hausman, son of Frederick Hausman, was born September 19, 1789. He was a farmer above Rockdale, in this county where he died April 27, 1869, aged 79 years, 7 months, and 8 days. He was married to Miss Remaly, and he is buried at Unionville. Their children were: Alexander, who had a cattle ranch near the Rocky Mountains; Mrs. Hankey; and Elizabeth Keiser.

Andrew Hausman, son of Frederick Hausman, was born March 22, 1791, and he died on his farm near the Unionville church, Aug. 5, 1848, aged fifty-seven years. His wife Susanna George was born Dec. 13, 1787 and she died Jan. 23, 1866. Both are buried at the Unionville Church of which they were Lutheran members. Their

children were: Andrew; Judith; Levi died in 1902, aged 83 years (he married Polly Shoemaker and they had an only child who died young); David; Moses, who died in 1894, aged 71 years; Susanna; William married Regina Mosser (1827-1855); (he had moved West and they had a son Franklin); Justina; Jonathan was married to Eliza Schaffer and was a farmer at Treichler's, Pa., where he died aged 84 years; and Eliza.

Andrew Hausman, son of Andrew Hausman, was born on his father's homestead Sept. 24, 1815. He was a blacksmith near the Unionville Church for a number of years; and he was a deacon of the Lutheran congregation of the Unionville Church. In later life he retired to Allentown and there died at 221 North Sixth St., March 24, 1890. His wife was Catharine Kennel, a daughter of Michael and Barbara (Frantz) Kennel. She was born May 3, 1809 and died Dec. 18, 1892. Their children were: Sarah M.; Lewis A. of Allentown, who married Tillie A. Blose, who died April 28, 1882, aged 37 years; Henry L., married Mary Park, of Bethlehem, they reside at Rittersville and have sons—Harvey and Forest; Joseph P., was born July 13, 1845, and he married Luzetta, daughter of Peter and Esther (Guth) Blank. Mr. Hausman for a number of years was an ore-mine superintendent. Their children were:

Robert F.; Jennie F.; Clara V.; Cora M.; Melbourne A.; and Daisy. Robert F. Hausman (son of Joseph P.) married Maria Fritch and they reside at Alburtis, Pa. They have two sons—Claude and Ammon. Claude served in the U. S. Marine four years and while in service at Bremerson, Washington was married to Mary Adkinson, of that place. They have issue: Marie, Mary and Lydia. Ammon, the youngest son of Robert F. Hausman married Stella Reese, and they live at Red Lion, Pa. They have a daughter—Dorothy. Willoughby died in 1852, aged four years. Santus A. died when single of spotted fever at Kleins Corner, Berks Co., Pa., March 25, 1873, aged 23 years, 2 months and 12 days.

David Hausman, son of Andrew Hausman, Sr., was born in North Whitehall May 28, 1821, and he was a stone mason by trade and had a 40-acre farm near Ballietsville, this county. He was a member of the Light Horse Militia for three years beginning with 1859. His militia uniform was an exceptionally fine one, the cap was made of the skin of a black bear and a wild cat and a large red plume extended from the front over the cap. The cap on the inside bears the date "1859." The epaulets and his coat, and the cap are all in a good condition and are in

possession of his son, Franklin A. Thomas Ruch was the captain of his company. David Housman and wife are buried at Unionville. He died in April, 1904, nearly 83 years of age. He was married in 1843 to Catharine Sheirer, born Jan. 24, 1822. Their children were: Franklin P.; Catharine A. S., born Aug. 10, 1847, was married to Aaron Balliet; M. Amanda born Nov. 12, 1849, became the wife of Calvin Keck.

FRANKLIN P. HAUSMAN, son of David and Catherine (Sheirer) Hausman, was born in North Whitehall, June 22, 1845. He worked upon the farm until he was fifteen years of age, after which he learned the trade of a machinist and three years afterward began running engines at ore mines. Later on he was an engineer on the Ironton R. R.; the engineer for the Keystone American Cement Co.; The engineer for the Coplay Cement Co. and he was the locomotive engineer for the Coplay Iron Co. Mr. Hausman had charge of the power house of the American Cement Co. for nine years, and since 1912 has been the watchman at the Dery Silk Mill. Politically he is a Democrat and he was a councilman of Coplay borough for three years; school director for three years and since 1912 a member of the Board of Health. He was one of the building committee that erected the first Lutheran church at Coplay, in 1882. He and his family are Lutheran members of the St. John's Church and he served it as a deacon for nine years. On Aug. 17, 1867, he married Angelina Moser, a daughter of Jacob and Polly (Frey) Moser of North Whitehall. They were the first couple to be united in wedlock by the Rev. J. S. Renninger after he became the pastor of the Unionville charge. Two children were born of this union, viz.; Laura K., the wife of James Fogel, of Coplay; and Oliver Franklin, a loom fixer and knitter who is the foreman in a large knitting mill at Allentown.

WILLIAM I. HAUSMAN, son of Franklin and Mary (Geiss) Hausman, was born Nov. 1, 1869 at Quakertown, Bucks Co. As a boy he attended the public schools and when not engaged with his studies he assisted in the farm work, until 1880, when his parents removed to East Salisbury township, where he worked on the farm for seven years. In 1887 he removed to Allentown and learned the trade of plumber, which line he followed for years. In 1890 he removed to Catasauqua, continuing his trade. In 1891 he formed a partnership with Mr. Shick, doing business as Shick and Hausman. They employ a large force of men and do all classes of plumbing and steamfitting. Mr. Hausman attends to the mechanical end of the work. He is an active member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and

also a member of the P. O. S. of A.

William I. Hausman married Rosa B. J. Bower, daughter of William and Eliza (Romig) Bower of Salisbury township. Issue: Irene, a graduate of the Catasauqua High School; Paul, also a graduate of the same school; William, a pupil of the High School; Mark; Carson; and Marguerite Hausman.

HARRY F. HAUSMAN, son of Franklin and Mary (Geiss) Hausman, is a confectioner of Allentown and was born at Quakertown, Pa., Dec. 18, 1872. At the age of eighteen years he learned the tailor trade at South Bethlehem, which he followed there for six years. In 1896 he engaged in the confectionery business at Second and Hamilton Streets and later on Second Street, Allentown; at the latter place he continued the business until the death of his father. Then after a protracted sickness he was engaged for three years in the Singer Sewing Machine business, and on Jan. 7, 1906, he again engaged in the confectionery business at 609 Linden St., and continued there until 1912 when he removed to his present place of business at 1009 Hamilton St. He is the largest home-made candy manufacturer in Allentown, and enjoys the trade of a good class of people. Socially he is a member of St. Albans Commandery No. 46, Knights of Malta; and the Modern Woodmen of America. He was elected as a Democrat to the office of School director in Salisbury township in 1897; and later served the office of Assessor of the Third Ward, Allentown, and there he raised the assessment \$1,500,000 after his predecessor had served the office for thirty-six consecutive years. Mr. Hausman has proven the courage of his convictions and the city was benefitted by his motto: "Carry out the law without fear or favor." He married Nov. 3, 1900, Margaret Balliet, daughter of Paul and Mary (Hartman) Balliet. They are both members of the Lutheran Church.

Henry Hausman, son of John and Barbara (Hausman) Hausman and grandson of Christian succeeded to his father's homestead, and was a life-long farmer. He was deacon, elder, and trustee of the church at Unionville where he and wife, Lydia, *nee* Hunsicker, are buried. Their children were: Sarah A., married (first) William Hoffman and after his death in 1896 she married Frank Henninger; Hettie married Tilgman Kuhns; Lewis R., of Schnecksville; Jane (m. Mr. Deibert); Alice (m. Lewis Baer); Thompson, died, aged 23 years.

Nathan Hausman, son of John and Susanna (Hoates) Hausman, was born in 1821, died in 1896. He was a farmer and distiller of Low-hill township. He married Julia Seibert. Issue:



Phaon, married Matilda George; Amanda, married James Benninghaff; Wilson, died at age of three years; Amelia, married Joseph Rauch; Louisa, married Alfred Snyder; Franklin, married Eliza Schuler; Tilghman, married Martha Parke, and resides at Marion, Ill.; Henry, married Alice Bittner; Alvin, married Mary Smith; Sarah, married Amandus Follweiler; Maggie, married Henry Maxwell; John, married Emma Everett; Solomon D.; and Schuyler Hausman.

Franklin Hausman, son of Nathan, son of John, who lives in retirement at Schnecksville, was born in 1853 on the homestead in Lowhill (now owned by Frederick Schellhamer) where he was brought up and worked for his father until he became of age. Then he bought the Holben farm of 122 acres which is situated on the road from Lyon Valley to Schnecksville, and he carried it on until 1905. He resided for a time at Slatington, and also conducted a hotel at Schnecksville for several years. He was married to Eliza Schuler, daughter of John, and they had twelve children: Cora (m. Franklin Bear); Sarah (m. Edwin Acker); Ida (m. Morris Schneck); Mary (m. Henry Werley); Harvey M.; Alvin (m. Elsie Geiger); John (m. Eva Dieffenderfer); George (m. Beulah Semmel); Marcus (who went to Michigan); and three died in infancy.

HARVEY M. HAUSMAN, farmer of Lowhill, was born April 22, 1880, on the homestead where he was brought up, and educated in the township school until he became twenty-one years of age. Then he went to Bethlehem to engage in the store business but remained only several months, returning home at the request of his father to assist in carrying on the farm, and there he has continued until the present time, excepting for nearly three years when he was occupied in the clay factory at Fogelsville.

In 1901 he was married to Messina Mohr, daughter of Llewellyn of Fogelsville. They had five children: Ella May, Arthur Harvey, Paul L. and two died in infancy.

SOLOMON DANIEL HAUSMAN, son of Nathan, a prominent and successful fur dealer in Lowhill since 1890, was born Nov. 27, 1864, on the Hausman homestead now owned by Frederick Schellhamer, in the afore-named township, where he was reared and educated until he became eighteen years old. Then he learned the trade of carpenter, following this trade until 1890. After this time he engaged in the business of buying and selling the skins of wild animals which were caught in that section of the county covering many miles in area, and he has continued in it until now, a continuous period upwards of twenty years, with increasing success, which will ap-

pear from the following record and shows a total collection of 37,609 skins. The season extends from Nov. 1, to April 1st. The first season he secured 342 skins (190 muskrat, 133 skunk, 8 mink, 6 opossum, 4 red fox, and one raccoon); and the last season 4,363, (2,000 skunk, 1,896 muskrat, 378 opossum, 39 raccoon, 35 mink, 10 ermine, and 5 red fox). The extraordinary record in successive years in this business was as follows:

1891	342	hides	1903	2080	hides
1892	274	"	1904	1882	"
1893	588	"	1905	2017	"
1894	440	"	1906	2985	"
1895	411	"	1907	1747	"
1896	493	"	1908	3184	"
1897	705	"	1909	2700	"
1898	800	"	1910	3300	"
1899	922	"	1911	2500	"
1900	1194	"	1912	1800	"
1901	1522	"	1913	4363	"
1902	1360	"			
Total, ... 37609 hides					

In 1896 he bought the farm of 30 acres where he has since resided. In the spring of 1913 he raised upwards of 500 chickens.

#### HEBERLY FAMILY.

Jacob Heberly was married to Eliza Barbara Guth, a granddaughter of Lorentz Guth. She was born May 13, 1763, died on July 28, 1843. They had a son, Adam Heberly.

Adam Heberly was a farmer in U. Macungie, near Chapman, where he was born March 1, 1787, and brought up, and there he carried on farming until his decease March 19, 1855. He was married to Elizabeth Harner, and they had seven children: Nathan (m. a Miss Heilman), Tilghman, Daniel, Moses (m. Mary Thompson), Joseph, Sarah and Mary (the second and last three having died unmarried).

Daniel Heberly, blacksmith and farmer, of Weisenberg for upwards of forty years, was born March 8, 1821, in U. Macungie, near Chapman, where he was reared on a farm and learned the trade of blacksmith which he carried on there until 1852. Then he purchased a farm of 52 acres in Weisenberg and cultivated it in connection with his trade until his decease in 1895. He was married to Eliza Kuhns, daughter of George, of Weisenberg, near the Ziegel Church, and they had two children: Sylvanus F. and Amanda L. (who married James Sechler and died in 1885, aged 35 years). His wife was born May 16, 1827, and died Feb. 27, 1883.

SYLVANUS F. HEBERLY, U. S. gauger since 1895, was born Dec. 17, 1854, on his father's

farm in Weisenberg, near Claussville, where he was reared and he received his education in the township school. He assisted his father until fifteen years old, when he learned the trade of blacksmith under him and worked for him until 1879; and from that year until 1894 he carried on the business for himself in the shop on the farm. Then he engaged in farming and this he has carried on until the present time. The farm contained 52 acres, and upon his father's decease in 1895 he became the owner by inheritance (since then having, however, sold off 30 acres). The place is recognized for its superior location and fine state of cultivation.

In 1895 Mr. Heberly was appointed one of the U. S. storekeepers and gaugers of the 1st Int. Rev. Dist. of Penna. and since then he has filled this appointment with entire satisfaction to the government. He served the township as a school director for two terms, and also as an inspector of elections; and the Ziegel Church as a deacon. He is a member of Claussville Castle No. 486, K. G. E., and has filled the office of treasurer since 1907. He was married to Wilhelmina Jane Boyer, daughter of Daniel, and they had one child, Richard D. His wife died April 15, 1913, aged 59 years, 4 months and 11 days.

Richard D. Heberly, only son of Sylvanus, was born Dec. 22, 1875, on his father's farm, and there he was reared. He received his education in the public school at Clausville, and also at Fogelsville, and the American Business College at Allentown. In 1895, he entered the service of the Central R. R. Co. of N. J. as a telegraph operator and continued with that company until 1906 (having acted as the station agent at Northampton for the last four years); then he became the station agent of the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. at Stockerton and he has continued in its service until the present time, having been promoted in 1912 to the position of agent at the Coplay and Cementon stations. He served as auditor of the borough of Stockerton for several years, and as a school director for one term. He is a member of Alton Castle No. 149, A. O. M. C., at Allentown, and of Allentown Castle No. 55, K. G. E. He was married to Laura P. Hollenbach, daughter of John, of Lowhill (employed with the firm of Bittner, Hunsicker & Co., at Allentown) and they had three children: Helen M. (engaged as a stenographer at Allentown), Floyd D. (assistant of his father as agent at Cementon Station), and Vera W. (who died in infancy).

George Kuhns, the father of Sylvanus Heberly's mother, was a farmer and carpet-weaver of Weisenberg. He was married to Lydia Bortz, of Macungie township, and they had four children: Charles (m. Polly Neff), Joseph (m.

Lydia Heffner), Eliza, and Caroline (m. Henry Bleiler). He died 1876 in the 81st year of his age; his wife died in 1863.

Daniel Boyer, the father of Mr. Heberly's wife, was a farmer of North Whitehall, near Rockdale, married to Susanna Miller. The children: Wm. H. (m. Lucinda Frailey), Ellen Elizabeth (m. Henry F. Beidler), Wilhelmina, Thomas and Charles (the last two having died young).

#### HECKER FAMILY.

The Hecker family originated from Nassau Dillenberg, where the family lived for many generations. John Conrad Hecker, son of John and Juliana Hecker and grandson of Hendrick Hecker, was born in 1610. He and his wife, Katrina, whom he married at Dillenberg, had three sons: Conrad, John Henry, and John Christian. Conrad, born in 1635, had four sons: John Eberhard, born in 1660; Frederick Christian; Philip; and Conrad. John Eberhard was the father of Johannes, born in 1695 and died at Tiefenbach, Jan. 9, 1742; John Sebastian, of Neukirchen, born in 1706; and John Conrad, of Tiefenbach, born in 1710.

Frederick Christian Hecker had a son, Johann Wigand Hecker, born at Dillenberg, who was Equerry to Prince Christian, the last of the Nassau Dillenberg Princes, from 1724 to 1739. By his wife Anna Juliana, Johann Wigand had, besides other children, a son, John Aegidius Hecker, one of twins, born at Dillenberg, Jan. 26, 1726. He was educated at the University of Herborn, where he graduated in 1750, and the following year emigrated to America in the ship Neptune, which arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 23, 1751.

He became pastor of the Reformed congregations in Springfield township, Bucks county and Lower Saucon township, Northampton county, and later of the congregation in Moore township, near Petersville, where he died and was buried beneath the altar of the old church. He had seven children: Adam; Yost Wilhelm; Jonas; Anna Maria, wife of Adam Troxell; Sibilla Veronica, born July 6, 1767, died March 8, 1844, wife of Peter Troxell; Mrs. Bartholomew and Mrs. Koch.

Adam Hecker, his son, who was born in 1756 and died in 1815, lived in Lehigh township, where he owned 150 acres of land. His children were: Jacob, John, Henry, Kate, Mrs. Laudenslager, and Mrs. Riegley.

Anna Maria, wife of Adam Troxell, was born July 22, 1759, and died Oct. 11, 1812. Her children were: Nicholas; Peter; Christian; Hannah, wife of Rev. John Gobrecht; and Jonas.



Sibilla Veronica, wife of Peter Troxell, had children: John; Magdalena, wife of Jacob Jones; Peter; Susanna; Catharine; and Solomon Troxell.

Yost Wilhelm Hecker, son of John Aegidius, removed to Whitehall township, where he died in March, 1821. His wife, Regina, died in February, 1827. They had ten children: Adam, born 1791; Elizabeth, born 1793; Paul; John; Egidius; Jacob; Mary; Mrs. Woodring; Mrs. Butz; and Mrs. Kreiling. John removed to Sterling City, Ill.

Adam Hecker, son of Yost Wilhelm, was born June 2, 1791, and died April 29, 1865. He married Maria Goebel, who was born Sept. 17, 1785, and died Aug. 26, 1853. They had five children: William H.; Joseph; Mary, wife of Jonathan Schwartz; Catharine, wife of John Beitler; and Mrs. Eliza Gilbert.

Joseph Hecker, son of Adam, was born March 19, 1823, and died Feb. 9, 1890, in Allentown. After attending the public schools, he learned the tanner's trade with Peter Ludwig, and in 1853 entered the employ of Peter K. Grim, at Allentown. In 1863, he purchased the business of William Bader, at 804 Hamilton street, where he was in the currier business until 1890, when he retired. He served in the militia in the Civil War. He also dealt in seeds and was a member and elder of Zion Reformed church. He was treasurer of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society from 1886 to 1890. He married Sarah, daughter of John Beitler, and had one son, John W. Hecker.

JOHN WILLIAM HECKER, son of Joseph, was born in Whitehall township, Sept. 9, 1843. He attended the public schools and the Allentown Academy, after which he learned the trade of a tanner with Charles Ludwig, at Coopersburg, and later the currier's trade with Grim & Hecker, of Allentown, with whom he remained until his father sold his interest in the business. He continued in this business until 1875, when he retired from the trade. He was an Allentown letter carrier, one of the first in the city, from 1884 to 1887. The other carriers were: Richard Ettinger, George H. Good, Harry E. Ruhe, Henry Swartz and William Baker. He then carried on a butcher business for ten years and was also employed some years in a machine shop. He is now in charge of the Lincoln school building. Mr. Hecker was judge of election, as a Republican, for many years and is a member of Zion Reformed church. He married, April 30, 1865, Anna Caroline Sheerer, daughter of Edward and Anna (Snyder) Sheerer. Mrs. Hecker died March 11, 1910. They had three children: Joseph Edward, who died aged three

years; Anna Isabella; and Harry William, who married Carrie Glick and has one child, Mary Elizabeth Hecker.

Jonas Hecker, son of John Aegidius, was born Nov. 12, 1771. He removed to Whitehall township, where he married, July 2, 1793, Maria Magdalena, daughter of Martin and Catharine (Steckel) Mickley. She was born Feb. 19, 1772, and died Jan. 15, 1854. Jonas Hecker died June 29, 1842. They had eight children:

1. Daniel, born Nov. 29, 1793, died in 1887, leaving eight children.
2. William, born Nov. 29, 1795.
3. Joseph, born Nov. 25, 1797.
4. Jeremiah, born June 26, 1801, died in 1895, at Titusville.
5. Charles, born Nov. 10, 1803.
6. Juliana, born Nov. 7, 1806.
7. Peter, born Oct. 28, 1809.
8. Maria Magdalena, born July 22, 1815.

All of the sons except Peter removed to Crawford county. Juliana died Aug. 17, 1886, and Maria Magdalena died July 28, 1903, both unmarried.

Peter Hecker went to Crawford county with his brothers and there learned the carpenter trade. He returned home on foot, walking the entire distance and was prevailed upon by his parents to remain at home. He lived in North Whitehall township for 60 years as a carpenter, undertaker and farmer, until 1891, when he removed to Allentown, where he died Oct. 4, 1899, aged 90 years, less 23 days. He was a member, deacon, and elder in Egypt Reformed church and held several township offices. He married Eliza, daughter of Jonas and Catharine (Saeger) Newhard. She was born Jan. 22, 1816, and died June 21, 1853. They had three children: Lewis P., William F., and Jane A., who married Alfred W. De Long.

Lewis P. Hecker was born Aug. 27, 1837. He was a school teacher in North Whitehall and Allentown for some years, served as revenue collector, and was in the fire insurance and real estate business for over forty years, in which he was recognized as an expert. He served in the Civil War as Captain of Company G, 176th Regt., P. V., from Nov. 7, 1862, to Aug. 18, 1863. He was a member of St. John's Reformed church, where he was many years an elder. Mr. Hecker was a man of the highest type of Christian character, consistent, conscientious, straightforward and sincere. He died at Allentown, March 8, 1914. He married, Jan. 14, 1864, Elemina, daughter of Elias Lentz, of Rockdale, and had one daughter, Mary M., married to Dr. Charles H. Schlesman.

WILLIAM F. HECKER, son of Peter, was born in North Whitehall township, Nov. 27, 1839, and was educated in the township schools. As a young man, he assisted his father in the car-

pentering and undertaking business until he enlisted as Second Lieut. in Company G, 176th Regt., P. V., on Nov. 7, 1862, and served until mustered out on Aug. 18, 1863. After the war he kept a general store at Deibertsville for three years and in 1868 removed to Allentown, where he engaged in the sewing machine and millinery business at 621 Hamilton street. In 1892 he disposed of the millinery business, in which his wife was engaged with him, and has since conducted the sewing machine business at the same place. Mr. Hecker is a member of E. B. Young Post, No. 87, G. A. R., and the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, in which he has been long active, and served as superintendent of buildings since 1896. He married, in 1864, Elemina, daughter of Daniel and Anna (Krause) Deibert. They are members of St. John's Reformed church, where Mr. Hecker served nine years as a deacon. In 1908, they travelled through Holland, Germany, France, Italy and Switzerland, in Europe. Mr. and Mrs. Hecker have three children: Isola, married James Y. Schelly; Annie E., married Harvey O. Ritter; and Julia H., married Ralph H. M. Rhoda. Mr. Hecker served for four years as a school director, but has devoted his time to business chiefly and resides at 108 North Eighth street.

Daniel Hecker, eldest brother of Peter, lived to the age of 94 years and had eight children: Joseph, Franklin, Stephen, Daniel, Charles, Levi, Malinda, and Maria. William, another brother, had sons: Robert W., and James. Jeremiah, a third brother, died at Titusville, Pa., in 1898, in his 95th year. He had two sons: Washington, and Wayne.

Paul Hecker, son of Yost Wilhelm, had children: Anna and Owen. John, third son of Yost Wilhelm, had children: Edward Egidius, John F., Orville, and Philemon. Jacob, fifth son of Yost Wilhelm, had nine children: Caroline, Benjamin, Mary, Elemina, Sarah, Willoughby, Henry H., Albert, and Edward.

#### HECKMAN FAMILY.

Abraham Heckman, who died in 1884, at Trexlertown, Pennsylvania, was engaged first as iron ore miner and as a teamster, and later was an iron ore contractor in the vicinity of Trexlertown, where he is now buried.

He was married to Anna Guth, a daughter of Daniel Guth, of Griesemersville, Lehigh county. She died on Jan. 16, 1914, aged 79 years, 1 month and 4 days. Unto them were born seven children, namely: Daniel F.; Howard, of South Bethlehem; Robert, of Slatington; George, of Kansas; William H.; Alice; and Abraham, who died in infancy.

WILLIAM H. HECKMAN, son of Abraham, was born Sept. 4, 1873, at Trexlertown. At the age of thirteen years he began working in the iron ore beds as a gravel picker, and he continued to work as a miner until he was twenty-one years old. Afterward for one and one-half years he was employed by Hartzell and Schwartz, at Balliettsville, and worked in an ore bed 135 feet deep. In 1900, he accepted employment with the Allentown and Reading Traction Company, first as laborer, then trackman, lineman, foreman, and he is now the engineer at the company's power-house at Griesemersville.

Mr. Heckman holds membership in the church at Trexlertown, where he was confirmed by the Rev. Thomas Reber. Socially he is a member of the P. O. S. of A., at Trexlertown; and the Order American Steam Engineers, No. 15, of Lehigh county. He owns his father's homestead at Trexlertown where he now lives. After his father had died, Mr. Heckman cared for his aged mother and sister, Alice, who has her home with him at the old homestead.

#### SAMUEL M. HEFFNER.

Samuel Moyer Heffner, farmer of Weisenberg township, was born Feb. 24, 1879, in Upper Macungie township, and when three months old his parents moved to Seipstown, in Weisenberg, where he attended school until he became sixteen years old. He then worked for farmers in the vicinity for two years, and learned the trade of blacksmith under Tilghman Koenig, in Macungie. After remaining with him three years and working for different blacksmiths as a journeyman for two years, he engaged in the business for himself for nine years. He then purchased the Amos Walbert farm of 100 acres a short distance from Seipstown and he has since then cultivated this farm in a successful manner. He served as a deacon at the Zeigel Church for five years; also officiated on the local election board.

In 1902 Mr. Heffner was married to Edna Roth, a daughter of Daniel, farmer and machinist of Upper Macungie, and they have one child: Miriam A.

Solomon Heffner, father of Samuel, was a blacksmith of Weisenberg, and afterward carried on farming until 1911, when he retired from active life, and has since resided with his son, Samuel. He was married to Sarah Moyer, daughter of Daniel, of Upper Macungie, and they have three children: Daniel H. (m. Kate Brumbach); Alfred S. (m. Blanche Kershner); and Samuel M. She died in 1910. And his grandfather was Samuel Heffner, a tanner and farmer, who was married to Kate Folk, of Weisenberg, and they had twelve children: Samuel



(who went to Iowa); Daniel (to Minnesota); Manes (m. Isabella Walbert and went to Virginia); Henry; George; Solomon; Mary; Lydia (m. Joseph Kuhns); Charles (m. Catharine Barto); David (m. Elmira Schaeffer); Peter (m. Fianna Woodring); and one died in infancy.

Daniel Moyer, the grandfather of Samuel M. Heffner, was married to Lydia Fritzinger, and they had eight children: Maria, Sarah, Lizzie (m. Andrew Kemp), Annie, Malinda (m. Charles Kramer), Ida (m. Nathaniel Schaeffer); Clara (m. William Reinhart); and Alvin.

Daniel Roth, the father of Mr. Heffner's wife, was married to Emeline Walbert (daughter of Jacob, who was a son of Frederick), of Weisenberg, and they had seven children: Missouri, Edna, Edward, Laura, Clayton, and two (first born) died young.

#### HEIST FAMILY.

The German Palatinate is the ancestral home of this long settled Pennsylvania family. The following immigrants landed and qualified at Philadelphia:

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Ship.</i>	<i>Date.</i>
Nickol Heist, .....		
Johan Philip Heist, ....	Albany, .....	Sept. 2, 1749
Johan Peter Heist, .....		
Johan Philip Heist, ....	Brothers, ....	Aug. 24, 1750
Bartholemai Heist, ....	Andrew, .....	Aug. 21, 1751
Johannes Heist, .....	Shirley, .....	Sept. 5, 1751
Johann Georg Heist, ...	Neptune, .....	Sept. 24, 1751
Johan Georg Heist, ....	Phoenix, .....	Oct. 1, 1754

The first Federal Census in 1790, shows the following persons by the name of Heist as heads of families: Nicholas, George, Senr., and George, Junr., of Berks county; George, George, Henry, jur., Melchr., and Peter, of Montgomery county; two Fredericks, of Philadelphia county; and another Frederick, of Northampton county.

John Adam Heist was born ———. He followed the tailor trade in Rockland township, Berks county, Pa., where he owned a small tract of land, and lived and died there. His wife was Susan DeLong. Both are buried at Meritt's church. Their children were: Solomon, Reuben, Nathan (farmer in Oley), Jacob (lived and died on the homestead), and Sarah (who was unmarried).

Solomon Heist, son of John Adam, was born, lived and died in Rockland township. He was a weaver by trade and his residence was near New Jerusalem, where he owned a farm, which after his death was sold for \$5,000. He was married to Diana Welder, daughter of Michael and Magdalena (Keller) Welder. Their chil-

dren were: Levi, Sarah (m. Jonas Noll), Benjamin, Aaron, Catharine (m. William Brintzenhoff), Esther (who died young), Israel, Lucy (m. Henry Gottshall), and Diana (who died young).

Levi Heist, son of Solomon, was born in Rockland township July 6, 1826. He attended the bld pay schools when the school master received three cents per day from each pupil attending his school. Lewis Kumpman, a German, was the teacher at that time, and he also officiated as a justice of the peace. When he was twenty years old, he learned the milling trade and followed it in Amity, Bechtelsville, and Hereford, until 1876, when he bought the "Farmer's Mill," on the Manatawny, near Earlville, in Berks county, and there he has lived to this time. His mill property was erected about 1849, but on Oct. 8, 1897, it was totally destroyed by fire, and he suffered a heavy loss.

He and family are Lutherans, members of the Amityville church. In 1850 he married Esther Rohrbach, born in 1829, and died in 1908. Their children were: Nathaniel (1851-1854); Darius (died at Reading, in 1874, aged 21 years); Sarah (married Cyrus Kline, of Pottstown); Mary (married Adam Geissinger, of Reading); and Edgar E. R. (Dec. 31, 1872), married Carrie Rhoads in 1892, and they have five children: Arthur, Clyde, Meritt, M. Esther and Edna.

Israel W. Heist, son of Solomon, was born June 10, 1841, in Rockland township, and there he now lives at New Jerusalem on a 15-acre tract. He owned and farmed a 70-acre farm until in 1906, when he sold it to A. A. DeLong. He and family are Lutheran members of the Christ (Mertz) church, at Dryville. His wife, Sally Ann Kramer, is a daughter of David and Mary (Egolf) Kramer. She was born Dec. 26, 1840, and died Jan. 17, 1910, aged 70 years. Their children were: Charles A., Pierson D., Mary A. (died aged 12 years), Alfred K (school teacher at New Jerusalem), Katie A. Clara (m. Charles Frederick), Harvey K., and Cora (who died in childhood).

CHARLES A. HEIST, of Shoenersville, eldest son of Israel, was born in Rockland township April 19, 1867. He was educated in the common schools of that township, and at the Kutztown Normal School, from which he was graduated in 1889. In 1884 he commenced teaching school in Rockland, and there he taught four terms; also kept a summer school there for several seasons. After his graduation he was elected to teach the Shoenersville Grammar School and this he has taught successfully for twenty-four consecutive terms.

Mr. Heist is the janitor of the Shoenersville church since 1903; also the active manager and caretaker of the Shoenersville Cemetery, which is recognized as the best kept burial place in Lehigh county. He is a member of Catasaqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F., and the Modern Woodmen of America, No. 5324. He is the honored superintendent of Christ Union Church Sunday-school at Shoenersville since 1891. He and family are members of the Lutheran congregation of that church.

On Christmas Day in 1888 he married Alice R. Schlegel, daughter of William and Sarah (Roth) Schlegel, of Berks county. They have five children: Beulah C. (married Wilson S. Bilheimer, of Shoenersville); Florence M. (died in her fourth year); Harvey L., Allen W., and Hilda E.

#### HEIL FAMILY.

Among the first settlers of Lynn township was John Heil, Sr., who was the owner of a tract of land on the south side of the Schochary in the lower end of Kistler valley. He sold his land to his son, John, Jr., who had two sons, David and John. The last-named John was never married. David finally became the owner of the homestead and some time in his later life, sold it to the long deceased David J. Kistler. The Heil family all the way down were very religious people. The first John belonged to the Moravian settlement which had located in Lynn township, about 1746. They had a church and school house in the Kistler valley on the farm now the property of Samuel J. Kistler. The Moravian graveyard on the Kistler farm covers about one acre of ground, and it is one of the oldest burial places in the entire valley.

David Heil, born Sept. 12, 1798, lived at Wessnersville, in Berks county, Pa., and was a weaver by trade, weaving bed spreads, linsey-woolsey, and carpets. He died April 11, 1869, aged seventy years, six months, and twenty-nine days, and is buried at the Heidelberg church, this county, of which he was a member of the Lutheran congregation. He was twice married, having all his children by the first wife, a born Glase. Their children were: Mary (m. Owen Smith); Helena (m. Charles Koch); John; David; Jonas; Benjamin (1832-1881); Samuel, who lived at Mahonoy City.

John Heil, son of David, was a blacksmith at Germansville, in Heidelberg township. He had lived in that district from the time that he was a young man until he died. For a time he carried on his trade at Saegersville, before finally settling at Germansville. He was a Lutheran and served the Heidelberg church as deacon,

elder and trustee. He was married to Catharine Hunsicker, and their children were: Amanda; William; Tilghman A.; John (deceased); Lewis; Emma.

Tilghman A. Heil, a carpet weaver at Germansville, Pa., was born in that village, Dec. 9, 1861. His cousin, Frank Heil, lived at Germansville and from him he learned the trade, and after the removal of his cousin to Slatington, he bought his loom and fixtures. He lives at Germansville since 1884. He weaves about 6,000 yards of carpet annually. In 1884 he married Jennie S. L. Riedy and they have eleven children, namely: Clifton, Malcolm, Roy, Roscoe, Luke, Cleo, Carson, Laird, Naomi, Wilbur, and Dean.

George Heil, a weaver and laborer lived in Milford township, this county, and he and his wife, Polly Sensenbach, are buried at the Trexlertown church and there they were members of the Lutheran congregation. Their children were: John, who died on the field of battle in the Civil War; Adaline; Elizabeth; Charles, of Trexlertown; Cecelia; William H.; Preston; Alvin; Oliver, of Reading, Pa., Sarah, and Josephine.

William H. Heil was born in Upper Milford township, Sept. 23, 1845, and is a blacksmith by trade, following it at Pleasant Corner, this county, and at Freeland, Pa., but since 1887 he is employed by Peters' Brothers, the foundry people at Newside, this county. Mr. Heil and family are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church. His wife, Jane Fink, is a daughter of Jacob and Lucy (Fink) Fink. They have four children, namely: Francis; Ida, who died in infancy; Charles and Richard H.

RICHARD H. HEIL, the youngest son of William H., was born at Pleasant Corner, May 22, 1876. At the age of seventeen years he was licensed to teach school but he never cared to enter the profession. Mr. Heil began carrying the mail between Saegersville and Macungie in 1889 and he continued it for four years then in 1893 he contracted with the U. S. Government to carry it between Allentown and Saegersville and continued until 1901, a period of eight years. In the latter year he moved to Allentown and engaged in the stove and tin ware business under the name of Neff and Heil but the following year he withdrew from the firm and in 1903 he engaged in the grocery business at 21 North Sixth street, there he has continued that business to the present time. Politically he is a Republican, and he has been actively identified with the party since he is of voting age. He was elected county auditor two terms, first in 1898 and again in 1908. He married in 1901, Phoebe



N. Ritter, a daughter of Samuel J. and Hannah (Koch) Ritter, and they have these children: Isabel M. and Wilbur S.

#### ALBERT S. HEIL.

Albert S. Heil was born Jan. 23, 1866, in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county. He was educated in the public schools and the following five years worked in the ore mines at Shimersville. For eight years he was employed by the Arbogast & Bastian Company as teamster. He then moved to Western Salisbury church for one year, where he dealt in tomb-stones. In 1899, he purchased his present home of 40 acres from Milton Kemmerer, where he engages in general farming and stock raising. For eleven years he conducted a dairy.

In 1899 he was married to Amelia Kratzer, daughter of Reuben, and they have the following children: Helen; Mamie, married Bryan Laros, of Allentown; George; Ida, deceased; Marcus; Elsie, deceased; Florence and Mildred.

Mr. Heil and family are members of Salisbury Lutheran church. In politics he is a Republican.

Walter Heil, father of Albert S. Heil, died at the age of 72 years. He followed farming, and for 20 years conducted a country butchering establishment. He also operated a birch distillery in the Blue mountains.

He married Mary Schuler. Both Mr. and Mrs. Heil are buried at Powder Valley cemetery. They had eight children: Maria, Obadiah and Lovinia, deceased; Charles, a carpenter, of Rittersville; Llewellyn, a carpenter, of Old Zionsville; Albert S.; Mary, deceased; Eliza, married Warrie Keller, of Allentown.

#### ADAM F. HEIBERGER.

Adam F. Heiberger was born June 1, 1853, in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county. He was reared on the farm and educated in the common schools. When 18 years old he worked in the ore mines at Guth's station, and later in the quarries of Lehigh and Northampton counties. When 21 years old he was employed as foreman with the Bethlehem Iron Company, being stationed at different mines, the Lehigh Gap and Water Mine. He was in their employ for a period of 20 years.

In 1892, in company with C. H. Ziegenfuss, he purchased and operated three quarries, known as Kemmerer's quarry, Keck's quarry, at East Allentown, and Reddington quarry, Williams township, Northampton county, Pa., handling building stone, etc. The business was incorporated in 1912 under the name of C. H. Ziegenfuss & Company, with offices in the Paxson building. The officers are:

C. H. Ziegenfuss, President.  
Jos. R. Wieand, Secretary.  
Charles Heiberger, Asst. Treasurer and Secretary.  
Harry Ziegenfuss, Vice-President.  
Adam F. Heiberger, Treasurer.

Mr. Heiberger was a director of the West Bethlehem Building and Loan Association for more than ten years. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias, Patriotic Order Sons of America, and Trinity Lutheran church, West Bethlehem. In politics he is a Republican. He resides in West Bethlehem.

Adam F. Heiberger married, Nov. 29, 1873, Anna Merkel, daughter of Jacob and Levina (Kistler) Merkel. She died in October, 1913. They have three children: Catharine, married Rev. W. E. Wenner, a Lutheran minister at Centerville, Pa.; Minnie, married Augustus Stroh; and Charles T.

Enoch Heiberger, father of Adam, died in 1903. He was a cabinet-maker and wood-turner, and later owned and tilled a farm in Upper Macungie. He was also engaged in various lines of business. His wife was Mary Knerr, of Lowhill township. They had ten children: Adam F.; Jane, deceased, married L. Schoch; Eliza, married Jacob Diefenderfer; Amanda, deceased, married Thomas Heiser; Mantana, married George Mohr; George and Edwin, of Port Arthur, Oregon; Samuel, of Cleveland, Ohio; Catherine.

Adam Heiberger, grandfather of Adam, died in 1853, aged 62 years. He lived near Snyder'sville, was a hat maker and manufactured felt hats on his farm. He married Judith Diehl. Both are buried at Jordan Reformed church.

#### HEILMAN FAMILY.

This family has its origin in Jacob Heilman who emigrated to America on the ship *Anderson*, arriving at Philadelphia, Aug. 21, 1750. Tradition states that he was followed to this country by Christian Heilman, a brother. The *Pennsylvania Archives* record a Christian Heilman as having emigrated to America on the ship *Halifax* which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 28, 1753. The tax-list of Lowhill township, Lehigh county, in 1762, contains the names of Jacob and Christian Heilman, paying tax of four and five pounds respectively, also the name of Jacob Heilman, a single freeman. The same tax-list in 1781 contains the names of Jacob, Peter and Christian Heilman, the latter a single freeman. About the time of the Revolutionary War, the name of Christian Heilman disappears from the township before mentioned, he having taken an active part in the Revolutionary War, from Northampton county, so did Jacob, George, and Peter Heil-

man. The Federal Census Report of 1790 contains the names of Jacob Heilman as the head of a family in Lowhill, having one son over sixteen, three sons under sixteen years of age, a wife and two daughters. The same report records the name of one Christian Heilman as the head of a family in Maxatawny township, Berks county, having one son, under sixteen years, a wife and two daughters. Among the taxables in Lowhill in 1812 were George, Tobias and Jacob Heilman. John Heilman a grandson of Jacob, the pioneer, was a farmer in Lowhill township. His homestead for many years after him was in possession of B. Diehl, his son-in-law. He was married to Catharine Diehl, and their children were: Samuel, John, and Mrs. Benjamin Diehl. He died young and his widow was married a second time and removed with her husband to Lehigh-ton, Pa., where she is buried. He is buried at the Jordan Lutheran church.

Samuel Heilman was born in Lowhill in 1810. He was a shoemaker and afterward a farmer in Upper Macungie, where he settled about 1830. He died in 1864, and with his wife, Anna Guth, they are buried at the Jordan Lutheran church. Their children are: Edwin, Clarissa (m. Samuel Heiberger), Malinda (m. Owen Haaf), Sarah died single, Israel (m. Minnie Mohr), and Matilda (m. Amanda Kuhns).

John Heilman was born March 29, 1811, and was a posthumous son of John Heilman, Sr. He lived with his mother until he was seven years old when he was put out among strangers. At the age of nineteen he learned the tinker trade with Emanuel Kern. He also learned something about grinding. At twenty he hired himself with George Kuhns at seven dollars per month and while there he became acquainted with Maria Guth whom he married on December 25, 1831. In April, 1832, they went to live at George Kuhn's; and both were hired there until in 1834, when in April of that year they, with others, moved to Mercer county, Pa. They travelled in wagons and were on the way out two weeks and remained there two weeks and were on the way back two weeks again. Coming home they moved into Henry Kuhns' tenant house where they remained about three years working upon his farm. He then bought a tract of 31 acres for \$1,700, to which he added in 1864 and again in 1870, until he had a total of 120 acres. The original homestead was owned successively by Solomon Rabenold, David Kemmerer, John Heilman, and he was succeeded by his son, Horace.

He owned his farm from 1837 to 1872, then he moved to Crackersport, where he died on Dec. 20, 1879. His wife was born in 1808. In 1844 they built a barn upon their farm and repaired

the house in 1849. In 1842 he had typhoid fever and in 1847 the whooping cough was in the family, and from it their son, Jonas, died. The mother also had the whooping cough otherwise she was never sick, except one summer she was troubled with rheumatism. Their children were:

Mannetta, married James Hammel.	Elmira (1845-1846).
Catharine, married William Helfrich.	Horace, married Elmina Litzenger.
Johannes I. (1837-1847).	Clara (1848-1848).
Eliza M., married Clinton Troxel.	Uriah P., married, 1st Vesta Deemer, 2d Vesta Moyer.
Catharine S., married Levi Wenner.	

Edwin Heilman of Allentown, was born in Upper Macungie township, April 18, 1833. He learned the shoe-making trade from his father for whom he worked for some years. In 1851 he began teaching school and he taught for thirty terms, as follows: One term in Lower Macungie, four terms in Upper Macungie, and twenty-five terms in South Whitehall. He taught thirteen successive terms at Crackersport. Afterward he engaged in farming and continued until 1889, then moved to Allentown. He is a director of the South Whitehall Mutual Live Stock Insurance Company, since 1873, and has served this company as secretary for thirty-seven years. He also was a director of the Lehigh County Mutual Fire Insurance Company for three years, serving it as treasurer for two years. He served the Jordan Lutheran church as a deacon, treasurer and elder for many years.

On Oct. 9, 1856 he was married to Brigitta Henninger, a daughter of John and Susanna (Guth) Henninger. Their children are:

Oscar J. (1857-1898) taught school 20 years.	Rev. Edgar J., stationed at Elizabethville, Dauphin County.
Clara A. (m. Jacob D. Kuhns).	Prof. William F.
Elmer (1861-1902) was a hardware merchant at Reading.	Dr. Jacob D., who is the professor of psychology in the Colorado State Teachers' College.
Samuel E.	Morris, died in infancy.
Susan, died aged 18 yrs.	Laura B.
Mary M., died aged 7 yrs.	Eva M.
Lillie B.	

SAMUEL E. HEILMAN, a prosperous agriculturist at the Jordan Bridge, in South Whitehall, was born in Upper Macungie township, on April 7, 1864. He was educated in the public schools and at the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown. At the age of seventeen years he began teaching school at Claussville in Lowhill township, and he taught thirteen more terms, as follows: Eight terms in South Whitehall; 3 terms in Upper Macungie, and again two terms in South Whitehall. Mr. Heilman's last provis-



ional certificate counted 11½. It has been the most creditable in Lehigh county for that year. The minimum could have been only "11," as a teacher was examined in that many branches. The maximum certificate was "24." Mr. Heilman taught school in a very successful manner.

In 1896 he and his late father-in-law, Uriah Litzenberger, purchased the John Ritter farm of 86 acres, at the Jordan Bridge and this tract Mr. Heilman has cultivated with increasing success to this time. He devotes special attention to dairy farming and is considered one of the most capable dairy farmers in the county. He manufactures a superior quality of butter, which commands a high price in the market. His father-in-law died in 1910, and since then Mr. Heilman has become the sole owner of this improved farm.

He and family are members of the Jordan Lutheran church and he has served it as a deacon.

On November 29, 1890, he was married to Eda C. Litzenberger and they have these children: Minnie (m. R. B. Kuhns), Oscar J., Emma L., and Anna E.

WILLIAM FRANKLIN HEILMAN, a prominent school teacher of Lehigh county, Pa., is the fifth son of Edwin Heilman and his wife, Brigitta M. B., (nee Henninger). He was born May 13, 1874, near Walbert's Station, and educated in the public schools of his native county. Later he was a student at the Keystone State Normal School, then attended Muhlenberg College at Allentown, Pa., after which he entered the American Commercial School of the same city, graduating from the latter institution in 1910. In 1892 he began teaching and taught six years in South Whitehall township. Afterward he taught Newhard's school, in Whitehall township, for five years and sixteen days, after which he became a teacher of the High School at Cementon, where he successfully labored for ten consecutive years. His department in the High School was "Natural, Applied and Commercial Science and Civics." In connection with this work he served as supervising principal of Whitehall school district, (a township of the first class) from June 3rd, 1912, to the time of this writing.

In politics Prof. Heilman allied himself with the Republicans. He is a Lutheran, attending Jordan Lutheran church, of South Whitehall Township.

At the Lehigh County Teachers' Institutes he served as secretary for many years.

Jacob Heilman was a farmer in Lowhill and doubtless is the same Jacob mentioned in the tax list in 1781. He had three sons: Jacob Jr., Tobias and John.

Jacob Heilman, son of Jacob, was a farmer in

Lowhill. He was born in 1770 and died in 1862, at the age of 90 years. He was married to Magdalena Baer, a daughter of Peter Baer. She was born in 1771, and died in 1850, aged 79 years; and they had ten children: Charles, Jacob, Benjamin, Jonathan, David, Sallie, Rebecca, Elizabeth Judith and ———.

David Heilman son of Jacob, was a farmer of Lowhill, born in 1816, and died in 1885. He served as a school director for many years; as supervisor for fifteen years; and also as a deacon and elder of the Morgenland church. He was married to Sallie Ann Minnich, daughter of John, a farmer of South Whitehall, born in 1848 and died in 1896, and they had six children: Edwin H. (m. Leanna Smith); Benjamin F. (mentioned below); Peter J. (m. Ellen Kleppinger, at Catasauqua), Sarah A. E. (m. William Deibert); Thileiah Drusilla (m. Jeremiah Haas), and one died at the age of seven years. He married as his second wife, Maria Werley, daughter of Theobald, of Weissenberg, and by her he had six children: Monroe T. (m. Alice Sellers), Lucy Ann J. (m. William Storm), Anna Rebecca (m. Albert Thistle), Emeline Magdalena (m. Calvin Litzenberger), Lewis David (m. Ella Brown), and Richard Owen (m. Mary Schneller).

BENJAMIN F. HEILMAN, farmer, of Lowhill was born Dec. 22, 1842, and when two years old his parents moved to the plantation now owned by George H. Hardner and occupied by Daniel G. Hopkins and there he was reared and educated in the township school. He assisted his father in the operation of the farm until he became twenty-six years old, then he married and started farming the place for himself on shares and he continued to do so for fourteen years. In 1882 he bought the farm where he now resides, situated on thoroughfare from Claussville to Siegersville, about two miles east of Claussville, and there he has since carried on farming. It then embraced about 78 acres, but he sold off 28 acres. He served as a school director of Lowhill for fifteen years, filling the office of treasurer for half the time; and as a deacon and elder of the Morgenland Church for thirty years. He is a member of the Lowhill Mutual Aid Society, and served it as treasurer for eight years.

In 1868, Mr. Heilman was married to Mesina Litzenberger, daughter of William, a farmer and shoemaker, of North Whitehall, and they had two children: Llewellyn G. (m. Emma Werley), and Harry A. (m. to Stella Steinmetz, and had three children—two died in infancy, and Mary married to Franklin Klotz). Harry A. died in 1904, aged 35 years.

William Litzenberger, his wife's father, was married to Sarah Haas, daughter of Isaac; of Upper Macungie, and they had three children: Mes-sina (above); Albert (m. Alice Beck), and Calvin (m. 1st, Emma Heilman, and 2nd Rosa Hay-berger). He died in 1887, aged 63 years; she in 1897, aged 73 years. Her grandfather was George Litzenberger, a blacksmith of South Whitehall, who had five sons (Reuben, Levi, Charles, Tilghman, and William), and five daughters (who married and went West). And her mother's father, Isaac Haas, was married to Margaret Mohr, daughter of Herman, of Upp r Macungie, near Fogelsville, and they had nine children: Isaac, Henry, David, Elias, Elizabeth, Sarah and three died young.

#### ABIEL HEILMAN.

Abiel Heilman, founder of the Heilman Boiler Works, at Allentown, was born at Mauch Chunk Jan. 8, 1835, and there he learned the trade of blacksmith. When he became of age he re-moved to Allentown, and after following his trade for seven years, associated with James B. Cole in establishing a boiler works at the foot of Linden street for the manufacture of boilers, tanks, gas apparatus and wrought iron plate work, and they traded together under the name of Cole & Heilman for twenty years, when Mr. Cole died. Mr. Heilman then became the sole owner of the plant and carried it on most success-fully under the name of Heilman Boiler Works, with trade relations extending throughout the United States, and even into foreign countries, until his decease in 1892. His widow con-ducted the business for seven years, then S. F. Jordan, a faithful employee since 1878, and J. N. Rhoda, became associated with her and the plant has since been conducted under the same name in a successful manner.

Mr. Heilman served as 1st Sergt. of Co. I, 1st Pa., in 1861, and is a member of Barger Lodge, No 333, F. & A. M., since 1861, Al-len Chapter since 1866, and Allen Commandery since 1867. He served as a city auditor in 1870, and as a select councilman from the Second ward in 1872 and 1873.

Mr. Heilman was married in 1863 to Mary E. Roth, daughter of Joel and Hannah (Haines) Roth, of Allentown. They were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He died Aug. 17, 1892, and is buried in Fairview cemetery.

Mrs. Heilman's father, Joel Roth, was a prom-inent hat manufacturer at Allentown for twenty years. He was born in Upper Macungie town-ship, May 1, 1804, and learned the trade of hat-ter. He located at Allentown in 1838, when he embarked in business and conducted it until his

decease, Aug. 31, 1859. He was married to Hannah, daughter of George and Catharine. (Schwartz) Haines, born May 19, 1804, died Nov. 27, 1891. They had seven children: Jos-eph; Rebecca, married Henry Ritter; George H., married Susan Siegfried; Edwin, married Susan Bernhard; Hannah; Helena, married Nathan Baker; and Mary E. They were mem-bers of the Reformed Church and are buried in West End Cemetery.

Joel Roth was a son of Moses, of Upper Macungie township. Moses was the son of Henry Roth, born 1776, died 1830, and his wife, Bar-bara Musick. Henry was the son of Daniel Roth.

#### HEIMBACH FAMILY.

The name of this family is found spelled in various ways, as Heimbach, Heimbaugh, Ham-baugh, Himebach, Himebaugh, Himbaugh, Hime-back, Heinbach, Heimbauch and Heymbach. The name is of German origin and there are two branches of the family, descended from Matthias and Peter Heimbach, brothers. Matthias Heim-bach arrived at Philadelphia on September 5, 1743, on the ship Charlotte. He settled on the border line of what is now Berks and Lehigh counties, where he secured 50 acres of land on May 8, 1750. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation near Dillingersville and died about 1756, leaving a widow and four children. His widow, Susanna, sold his land on January 4, 1757, to Martin Shaffer, but as the sale was not ac-cording to law, the four children conveyed it to Conrad Shoub on April 22, 1771. The land was partly in Hereford and partly in Upper Milford townships and comprised 74 acres.

David Heimbach, his eldest son, was a wheel-wright in Upper Milford, where he died in 1816. He and his wife, Gertrude, had six children: Henry, David, Wendel, Elizabeth, Catharine and Christina. David, Jr., was one of the early iron masters, and died of fever on November 6, 1834, aged 56 years, 10 mos. and 10 days. His two sons died in the same month of fever—John, aged 31 years, 7 mos. and 9 days, on November 27, and David, aged 38 years, 2 mos. and 17 days, on No-vember 29, 1834.

Henry Heimbach, second son of Matthias, was born August 23, 1749, and died February 12, 1837. The other children of Matthias were Peter Heimbach, of Esopus, Ulster county, New York, and Elizabeth, who married, in 1772, John Gregory.

Peter Heimbach arrived at Philadelphia on September 26, 1749, in the ship Dragon, which sailed from Rotterdam with 563 passengers from the Palatinate and Zweibruecken. He resided a





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few years in Upper Milford, where his name appears in the communicant list in 1751 and 1752, but soon removed to Lynn township, where he resided in 1760. In 1768 he was assessed there for 15 acres of cleared and 85 acres of woodland, as well as for 15 acres of cleared and 50 acres of woodland in Weisenberg township. His name appears in the tax list of 1772 and he probably died between that year and 1785, when his name no longer appears. Peter and Elizabeth Heimbach had several children, among them: George Henry; Michael, born August 18, 1762; Jacob, Philip and Peter. Philip moved to Columbia county and had sons, Philip, Daniel and Peter, and seven daughters. Philip, Jr., was born in 1788 and died in 1812. He married Eva Geiger and had a son, Peter, born 1815, died 1907. Descendants of this branch are Daniel Himebaugh, of Burr Oak, Mich., and Miss L. M. Himebaugh, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Jacob Heimbach had a son and three daughters in Lynn township in 1790, where he owned 140 acres, and his brother Michael owned 40 acres and had one son and two daughters.

Peter Heimbach, the youngest son of Peter, was born in 1770 and died in 1854. In 1791, he removed to Northumberland county and in 1809 to Jefferson county, Ohio. He married Christina Luke, who died in 1826. Their children were: George, born 1811; Mrs. Margaret Gillespie, born 1813; Peter Himebaugh, born March 2, 1815, died December 30, 1900, at Kingman, Ohio, who married, May 24, 1842, at Chili, Ohio, Elizabeth Alexander, born June 5, 1820, died Jan. 8, 1905, and had children, John A., of Colorado Springs, Col.; L. D., of Wichita, Kansas; T. W., of Debeque, Col., and B. N., of Portland, Ore; Daniel, born April 5, 1816, married Charity Dowell; William, born February 23, 1818, married Sarah Alexander, and Joseph, born February 6, 1820, married Jane Maynard.

George Henry Heimbach, son of Peter, the emigrant, was born in Lynn township, June 10, 1760. He was a weaver by occupation and removed to Lehigh township, where he died June 10, 1822, and is buried at the Indianland church. He married Catharine, daughter of Michael Gable. She was born April 3, 1760, and died April 3, 1829. They had eight children: Peter, of Lehigh township; Daniel, who removed to the Conyngham valley; Henry, who died in Lehigh township prior to 1829, leaving four children—Peter, Catharine, Maria, and Elizabeth, who married Urbanus Hellick, of Nazareth township; George; Elizabeth, married Isaac Berlin; Mary, married Philip Anthony; Mary Catharine, married Abraham Berlin and had six sons and

four daughters, and Barbara, married Joseph Keefer, of Northumberland county.

George Henry Heimbach made his will, January 16, 1822, in which he bequeathed his wife a bed and bedstead, a chest and contents, spinning wheel, pipe stove, copper kettle, corner cupboard, a cow, as much kitchen furniture as she choose to have, linen cloth and flax, a table, and 10 bushels of rye, yearly, and directed that his real estate be sold and the proceeds divided equally among his children, except George, who was to receive an additional £10, as well as a case of drawers.

George Heimbach, son of George Henry, was born in 1805 and settled in Columbia county, at Orangeville, where he died in 1841. He married Sarah Kiefer, who died in 1861, and who married, second, John Bowman.

Benjamin F., George, Henry, Mrs. Reuben Peter and Mrs. Elizabeth Muschlitz were children of George Heimbach.

Benjamin F. Heimbach was born at Orangeville in 1827. In 1857 he removed to Allentown, where he was a carpenter and in the furniture and undertaking business. In 1865 he located at 734 Hamilton street with his brother George and Solomon Helfrich, where they continued until 1872, when George retained the furniture business and Benj. F. the undertaking business, which he removed to Eighth and Hamilton. He later took in his son-in-law, Jacob Daubenspeck, as a partner and continued in the business, later locating at Eighth and Maple. He died at his home, where he had lived 32 years, at 38 South Eighth street, July 5, 1899. He was a member of Salem Evangelical church and of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, Knights of Pythias. Mr. Heimbach married, June 11, 1846, Julia Ann, daughter of John Wentz, born September 24, 1805, died September 21, 1862, and his wife, Catharine Reber, whom he married June 18, 1826, and who died March 8, 1881. Mrs. Heimbach was born October 7, 1828, and died in 1912. They had thirteen children: Sarah, deceased, wife of Jacob Daubenspeck; Charles and Hattie, died in infancy; Maria, deceased, wife of Francis Fogel; Catharine, wife of Thomas Wilson; John A.; Alice, wife of Charles Ritter; Ida, wife of Frank P. Lehr; Lillie, wife of Peter Snyder; Carrie E., wife of Oscar E. Eisenhard; Wm. H.; B. Frank and Howard T.

JOHN A. HEIMBACH was born at Weissport, February 15, 1854. He attended the schools of the Third ward and the Academy at Allentown, and then was apprenticed to Engelbert Kest for two years and learned the trade of an upholsterer. He was then successively employed by Abraham Hubbard, Voorhees & Page, of Wilkes-Barre, and his father, and in 1877 entered the employ of

Solomon and L. J. Helfrich, where he remained until March 1, 1880. For several years he was employed in Philadelphia as an upholsterer by Jerome Laskowski, A. and H. Lajambra, Hale & Kilburn, William Paul, G. Walmer & Son and C. B. Scott & Co. In January, 1883, he was employed by former mayor of Philadelphia Wm. H. Smith, on Jay Gould's yacht, Atlanta, afterwards sold to Venezuela and used as a gunboat. In February, 1886, he returned to Allentown and engaged in the furniture business. The firm name was Fritch & Heimbach for two years, when it became John A. Heimbach, and he continued in the business at 808 Hamilton street until 1896. In March, 1897, he engaged in the picture frame business on the second floor of 810 Hamilton street, in which he still continues.

Mr. Heimbach married, December 25, 1875, Elamanda J., daughter of Stephen and Sarah (Rickert) Ruhf. They have no children. They are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church. Mr. Heimbach is a member and P. M. of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; P. H. P. of Allen Royal Arch Chapter, No. 203; P. T. I. M., of Allen Council, No. 23, R. & S. M.; of Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Caldwell Consistory, A. A. S. R., of Bloomsburg. He is a member and Past Grand of Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F., since 1875, and treasurer since 1909; Past Chief Patriarch of Unity Encampment, No. 12, I. O. O. F., and Past Chancellor of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 257, Knights of Pythias. He has been a member of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society since 1880. He is a Republican in politics and registrar of the Eighth ward since 1907. In 1910 he had the largest district as census enumerator in this census district.

HOWARD T. HEIMBACH was born February 6, 1869, in Allentown, and was educated in the public schools and Blackman's Business College. He was engaged in his father's business until 1887, when he entered the employ of the L. V. R. R. Co. as a carpenter, with whom he remained until 1889. He was then in the employ of Sterner & Kress and W. H. Gangewere until 1899, when he started as a contractor and builder. He built hundreds of houses, of which some of the finest were D. G. Dery's residence in Catasaqua, Eugene Bear's residence in Lehighton, and the six houses on Turner street, opposite City Park. He built the first garage in the city, that of O. H. Dietrich, on North Tenth street, in 39 days, and also built the Berwin Auto Co. garage on Eighth street. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M. and Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203. Mr. Heimbach married, in 1886, Annie L., daughter of Daniel A. and Francisca (Engle)

Scholl. They have three children: Mamie A., wife of Rev. D. F. Green, pastor of the Lutheran congregations of Howertown and Kreidersville, who has two children, Luther P. and Arline C.; Florence J., a trained nurse, and Charles W.

OSWIN W. HEIMBACH, son of Lewis and Ma-linda (Wendling) Heimbach, was born July 5, 1872, in Hereford township, Berks county. He is the junior member of the well known firm of Erb and Heimbach, bakers, at 9th and Tilghman streets, Allentown. He attended the public schools of his native place and at an early age learned the trade of baker with W. P. Miller and worked for him for two years, receiving one dollar per week and board. He later was employed by Peters, Jacoby & Co., where he continued for upward of twenty years. He also followed his vocation in Phillipsburg, N. J., and other places. He later engaged in the laundry business at Hall and Court streets, establishing the Troy Steam Laundry, which he conducted for four years. In 1911 he entered into partnership, under the name of Erb & Heimbach, in the baking business at Ninth and Tilghman streets, Allentown. Since that time the business has been successfully conducted. There are operated four ovens, with a capacity of 80,000 loaves per week.

Mr. Heimbach is a thorough master of his business and is a practical mechanic. He gives his whole time and attention to the business, of which he has made a success. He is a staunch Republican and is register of the Seventh ward. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the Knights of the Mystic Chain, and a member of the Evangelical Church, together with his wife and family. He married in October, 1895, Stella L. Woodring, daughter of William J. Woodring. They are the parents of one child, Miriam C. Heimbach, who is a student at the high school.

#### HENRY H. HEINEY.

Henry H. Heiney, president of the Pet Emporium & Supply Company, of Allentown, is a son of Robert S. and Josephine (Leh) Heiney. He was born in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, on Dec. 1, 1877.

He was educated in the public schools of Allentown. In 1890 he was engaged in the live and dressed poultry business at Easton, Pa. For a period of ten years he was in the hotel business in Carbon county, during which period he conducted three different hotels, after which he was general organizer for the Independent Order of Foresters of the World. He was also salesman in the Lehigh Valley for Thomas Ward & Company, of New York. He is a member of the Reformed Church and adheres to the political



principles of the Democratic party. He is a member of the Lehighton Lodge, F. O. E., No. 650. He is married to Mabel Leh, a daughter of Wilson J. and Alice (Behler) Leh, of Easton, with whom he has the following children: Harvey H.; Mary R. and Edmond G.

#### HEINRICH (HENRY) FAMILY.

The family name Henry has been changed from the German name of Heinrich. F. Pichler, a high authority on the etymology and meaning of family names, alleges that it was corrupted into Henerich, Heinrich, and Henry, and its meaning was a courageous man or spirited hero, probably from the Anglo-Saxon *hentan*, *haen* or *hent* which meant to seize, to lay hold of, to conquer, or to overcome, as *haen hentan*, *sich einer Sache bemachtigen*, *ricca*, *ric*, *rich*, possessing a large portion of courage.

The family in Lynn township has as its ancestor Christian Heinrich, who, on June 22, 1769, took out a warrant for 78 acres of land situated in the township; and in the year 1790 the first Federal census reports him as the head of a family which consisted of himself, wife, son over sixteen years of age, and two sons under sixteen. One of his sons was Adam Heinrich, and the genealogical particulars relating to his family are presented in the following narrative:

Adam Heinrich, son of Christian, was born January 23, 1774, and lived one-half mile north of Wanamaker, where he died March 16, 1853, in the 80th year of his age. He was buried on a private graveyard on his farm, a description of it appearing in the township history, Vol. I, of this publication.

His wife was Barbara Mink, born November 10, 1782, and died September 28, 1854, aged nearly 72 years. They had four sons and eight daughters: Adam, Joseph, Christian, David, Barbara (married first to a Reinhard, then to Samuel Loy), Polly (m. Samuel Zettlemoyer), Rebecca (m. Joseph Rauch), Magdalena (m. — Ziegler), Sallie, Susanna, Catharine (— Straub), and a married daughter whose name could not be ascertained.

Joseph Henry, second son of Adam, was born in Lynn township, December 14, 1810. He lived on a farm in the Kistler valley for some years and then purchased the farm which is now owned by his son, Benjamin. He was a successful farmer and was accidentally drowned in the Ontelaunee creek near his home on July 3, 1871.

He was a Lutheran member of the Jacobs church at Jacksonville. His wife was Judith Kistler, born April 14, 1806, and died May 24, 1879, in the 74th year of her age. They had

nine children: Daniel, Catharine (m. Elias Wagaman), Florenda (m. Reuben Ebert), Sarah (m. Jonathan Muthhard), Angeline (m. Elias Dengler, who died in Nov., 1913), Benjamin, Charles, Jacob, and Moses.

Christian Henry had the homestead in Lynn township, and he lived upon it all his life and at his decease was succeeded by his widow and children. He erected the present barn about the year 1846. He was a Lutheran member of the Jacksonville church. His wife was Caroline Straub and they had eight children: William, Amandus, Wilson, Lovina, Mary (m. — Boyer), Sarah (m. William A. Brendle, at Bethlehem), Carolina (m. Harrison Brendle, at Bethlehem), and Amelia (married first to a man named Mertz, and upon his decease she married a second husband, Alfred Muthhard, at Lynnport).

William Henry, eldest son of Christian, owned the homestead of 117 acres which was well adapted for the successful cultivation of potatoes, and there he farmed until his decease, December 9, 1909, at the age of 72 years. He was a Lutheran member of the Jacksonville church and filled the church offices. He was married to Sarah Raubenold, daughter of Jonas, a resident of Lowhill township, and they had seven children, all born on the place: Oliver F., Daniel A., George M., William A., James J., Carrie A. (m. Osville Rauch), and Robert S.

ROBERT S. HENRY, the youngest son of William, was born on the homestead August 12, 1885, and educated in the township schools. He was brought up to farming, and in February, 1909, he bought the place, being the fifth generation to possess the farm. The dwelling there was built by Adam Henry. Mr. Henry owns another farm of 120 acres (38 being woodland) in the township, which was the homestead of his wife's grandfather, Jacob Kerschner, and is known as an old settlement in the district.

He was a Democrat in politics, and a Lutheran member of the Jacksonville church which he served as a deacon. On August 12, 1908, he was married to Ella C. Heintzelman, daughter of Nathan and Fietta (Kerschner) Heintzelman, of New Tripoli.

Daniel Henry, eldest son of Joseph, secured the 115-acre homestead of his father in the Kistler valley, which is now owned by his son, Monroe D. He was a Lutheran member of the Jacksonville church, he was married to Sarah Wagaman, daughter of Joseph Wagaman and his wife (a Gehringer), and they had nine children: Harrison A., Rosa (m. Lewis F. Snyder), Joseph, Cordelia (m. Wilson Snyder), Monroe D.,

Jonas (a minister of the gospel), Jane (m. Amandus Oswald), George, and Lizzie (m. William Sechler).

Charles Henry, second son of Joseph, was born in 1848 and died in 1902, aged 54 years. He owned a 68-acre farm near Lynnport, on which he died and he is buried at Jacksonville. He was a Lutheran member of that church and served as a deacon and elder. His wife was Sarah Schlenker, daughter of Nathan, and she died in 1898, aged 51 years. They had six children: William F., Samuel M. (deceased), Dr. Charles O., Amanda (m. Andrew L. Smith, who occupied the homestead near Lynnport), Robert D., and Frederick C.

CHARLES O. HENRY, M.D., of Allentown, Pa., was born at Lynnport, January 6, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of Lynn township; taught school two terms, then entered the Medio Chirurgical College, at Philadelphia, from which he was graduated with honors in 1899. In the same year he located at Denver, in Lancaster county, Pa., and there he practiced until in 1906, when he came to Allentown and located at No. 102 North Tenth street.

Dr. Henry is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society, the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, the Lehigh Valley Medical Society and the American Medical Association; also the Allentown Academy of Medicine. He is also a member of the Medical Staff of the Good Shepherd Home of Allentown and since 1911 he has been the medical examiner of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, for the Allentown District, holding similar positions with the Loyal Order of Moose; Order of Owls, Nest No. 72; Protective Home Circle; Ladies' Auxiliary; Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; the Scranton Life, Minnesota Life, Germania Mutual Life, U. S. Life, Missouri State Life and the International Life Insurance Companies. Fraternally, Dr. Henry is connected with Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561 F. & A. M., Constantine Lodge No. 1113 I. O. O. F., Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E., the P. O. S. of A., and the Loyal Order of Moose of Allentown.

Dr. Henry married twice: the first, on Jan. 22, 1896, Lizzie Reinhard, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Knittle) Reinhard, of Wannamakers, Pa., who died Feb. 7, 1901, aged 26 years, and they had two children, Samuel and Ralph; and second on Sept. 27, 1903, Ella B. Kurtz, daughter of Henry and Sallie (Buffamoyer) Kurtz, of Denver, Pa.

HARRISON A. HENRY, the eldest son of Daniel, is a farmer in Lynn township on the Jacob Fetherolf homestead. He was born Jan. 11, 1864 and worked on a farm until he became

twenty-one years old, when he learned the carpenter trade and followed it four years. In the year 1890 he began farming for himself where he now lives, having previously been his father's tenant for thirteen years. In 1903 he bought the place, which consists of eighty-eight acres of superior land. This farm had descended to Reuben Fetherolf from his father, Jacob, and Daniel Henry purchased it from him. The large barn and stone dwelling-house on the property were built by Jacob Fetherolf before 1825.

Mr. Henry is a Democrat in politics and served the township as a supervisor. He and the family were members of the Lutheran congregation at New Jerusalem for some years and he served that church as a deacon for six years, but after having removed to the present place, they connected themselves with the church at Steinsville. In 1886 he was married to Telliah L. Snyder, daughter of David Snyder, and they have six children: Morris, Edwin, Oscar, Claude, Elmer, and Helen (who died when eleven months old).

MONROE D. HENRY, of Lynnport, son of Daniel, was born Nov. 7, 1871, and educated in the local schools. He was brought up on a farm and began farming for himself in 1900, on the Henry homestead of 120 acres, being now owned by the third generation of the Henry family; and there he farmed until 1906, when he moved to Lynnport, where he has since lived. He is a Democrat in politics, and a Lutheran member of the New Jerusalem church which he served as deacon for four years. On Dec. 19, 1896, he was married to Emma I. Hollenbach, daughter of Jacob Hollenbach (whose sketch appears in this publication), and they have two children:—Earl D. J., and Mary L. A.

MORRIS D. HENRY, son of Harrison A., farmer on the Daniel Henry homestead of 130 acres, which is now owned by his son, Monroe D., was born Sept. 18, 1887. He was reared upon a farm and since the spring of 1911 has carried on farming as his occupation. He is a Democrat in politics, and a Lutheran member of the Jacobs church. He was married on Thanksgiving day, 1909, to Maud Schroeder, daughter of Jacob and Etta (Faust) Schroeder, and they have a son, Roy C.

#### HEINTZELMAN FAMILY.

Hans George Heintzelman, of Germany, the pioneer of a large Pennsylvania family, emigrated to America on the ship "Eastern Branch," James Nevin, Captain, which arrived at Philadelphia, October 3, 1753. Where this ancestor settled immediately after his emigration is uncertain;





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but in 1759 his name appears in the tax-list of Douglass township, Berks county. Tradition states that he settled in Lynn township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county, about the year 1766. George and Catharine Heintzelman became the parents of a daughter on October 5, 1770. She was baptized at the Heidelberg Union church on November 9, of the same year, from which it is evident that he had settled in Lynn before the baptismal ceremony was performed.

The ancestor was a farmer and owned a large tract of land. His last will and testament is of record at Easton, dated August 24, 1794, and probated on September 30th following. In the will is the statement: "I am now sick and weak in body, etc." The witnesses to the document were: Adam Miller and Johan Diter Heintzelman, his son. No reference is made to his wife and doubtless she had preceded him in death. His estate was divided among the following eight children: Mrs. Dennis Rex, Johann Diter, Andrew, Johann George, Mrs. Adam Thomas, Mrs. Daniel Ehroh, Mrs. Andony Bock, and Mrs. Andreas Rau.

Johan Dieter Heintzelman was born August 29, 1756. He was a farmer in Lynn and there he died May 20, 1821. He and his family were members of the Lutheran congregation of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, where they are buried. His first wife was Maria, a daughter of Andrew and Magdalena (Seiberling) Miller, of Lynn, and their children were: Johannes (remained in Lynn); Christian (settled in Ohio and among other children had a son, Jacob); and Andreas (who also settled in Ohio). His second wife was Elizabeth ———, born February 24, 1770, and died February 13, 1863, at the advanced age of 92 years, 8 months and 19 days; and to them were born seven children: Jacob, George, Johan Dieter, Daniel, Lorentz, and Elizabeth. Jacob, the eldest son, settled at East Lewistown, Ohio, and had three children: David, Catharine, and Polly; and Elizabeth, the daughter, was born in 1816 and died in 1898. She married Stanley Greenawald and lived at North Jackson, Ohio.

George Heintzelman was born on the homestead of his father, Johan Dieter, June 30, 1797, and died on his own farm, situated along the Schochary, near Lynnport, July 4, 1889, aged 92 years and 4 days. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at New Tripoli, where he was buried. He served as an elder of the Ebenezer church for many years. He was married to Rebecca Straub (1804-1884), a daughter of Heinrich and Molly (Miller) Straub, of Lynn, and their children were: Catharine (m. Daniel Snyder), Mary Ann (m. Nathan Sny-

der, a miller), Daniel G., Polly (m. John Oswald), and Caroline (m. Joseph Rauch).

Johan Dieter Heintzelman, who bears his father's name, was born February 4, 1801, died July 23, 1889, in his 89th year. He was a farmer in Lynn and there owned the 58-acre farm now owned by Pierce Heilman. It was said that he possessed great psychic powers and gave relief to many sufferers from various ailments both man and beast. His wife was Anna M. Miller and they had twelve children: Joseph, Joll, Daniel, Samuel, Lucy, Sallie (m. Reuben Frantz), Rebecca, Lydia, Fianna (m. William Folck), Polly (m. Joseph Handwerk), and two others whose names are not known; but two daughters were married to David Roth and Moses Steigerwald respectively.

Daniel Heintzelman was born December 27, 1802, and lived in Lynn upon his 80-acre farm. He died August 3, 1889, aged 86 years. His farm was located along the Blue Mountain, back from Mossersville. He was a carpenter by trade, recognized as an exceptionally good woodworker and this trade was inherited by all his sons, also by later generations. He and his wife were buried in the cemetery at New Tripoli, having been members of the Lutheran church. He married Maria M. Straub (1810-1891), a daughter of Jacob Straub, and their children were: David, Gideon, Stephen, Daniel, Levi, Polly (m. Owen Ebert) and Lydia (m. Nathan Ebert). The Eberts were brothers.

Lorentz Heintzelman, son of Johan Dieter, was born January 20, 1805, and died June 20, 1873. He was buried at New Tripoli where he was a member of the Lutheran congregation, of Ebenezer church, which he served in various offices. He was a farmer and his 106-acre farm was located above Jordan Valley in Heidelberg township. It is now the property of Reuben Fenstermacher. He built the barn which is 72 feet long, doing most of the carpenter work himself. He made his own threshing apparatus and did much threshing for the farmers of that community. He also operated a distillery and sold apple-jack to Philadelphia, making monthly trips for which he received eighteen cents a gallon. This was during the decade from 1830 to 1840. He served the Lutheran congregation of Ebenezer church in various offices. His wife was Esther Snyder, born in 1810 and died in 1884 and their children were: Elizabeth (m. Monroe Sensinger), Mary (m. Jarret Handwerk), Owen, Reuben (of Leighton), Eli, Phaon (of El Reno, Oklahoma), William, David (of El Reno, Oklahoma) and Angelina (who died an infant).

Daniel G. Heintzelman was born in Lynn

on December 22, 1825. He was a farmer and the homestead upon which he was born, lived and died is now owned by his son, Alvin G. The farm is — acres. He was school-director and assessor of his township; also served the Lutheran congregation of Ebenezer church at New Tripoli as a deacon and an elder. He died September 14, 1891, in his 66th year, and was buried there. He married Polly Straub, a daughter of Heinrich and Maria M. Straub, of Lynn. She was born Jan. 26, 1827 and died April 29, 1887, in her 61st year. Their children were: Nathan, Sarah (m. Edwin Snyder), David, John S., Monroe S., Daniel, Alvin G., Phaon, Levi J., Stephen, (deceased), and Mary (m. Edwin Holben).

John S. Heintzelman, son of Daniel, was born on the old homestead in Lynn, July 27, 1854, and he died May 15, 1889, in his 35th year. He was buried at New Tripoli. He was married and had five children: Henry T., James, Francis, George and Ella.

Monroe S. Heintzelman was born February 7, 1857. At the age of twenty-one years he learned the carpenter trade and followed it four years. In 1882, he moved to Kressleytown, in Heidelberg upon the farm of his father-in-law, John Snyder, and after farming there five years he moved to another farm which was also owned by his father-in-law, situated along the Schochary in Lynn. Two years later, in 1889, he moved upon his own farm of 66 acres, near Lynnport. This farm was the Lorentz homestead. In 1845 his nephew, John A. Reitz, purchased it, and he built the present brick-house in 1871. The bricks were manufactured upon the premises.

Mr. Heintzelman built the barn in 1893. The farm is named the "Ontelaunee Farm." He and his family are Lutheran members of the New Tripoli church, which he served as a deacon. In 1881 he married Caroline Snyder and they have five children: William J. D. (m. Annie Fetherolf, and had two children—Florence and Minnie, the latter deceased); George M.; Emma L.; and Fred N. and Mary A., (twins, both dying in infancy).

Alvin D. Heintzelman was born September 11, 1861. He worked for his parents until he was of age, then continued in their employ several more years. In 1892 he succeeded his father to the ownership of the homestead and is a successful potato farmer, having begun farming there for himself in 1891. The property had long before been a Straub homestead, and from them it passed to George Heintzelman, the grandfather of the present owner. The old log house (a picture of it appearing in this volume), is still standing, a landmark in the township.

He and his family are Lutherans and he served that congregation of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli, both as deacon and elder. He and his brothers are Democrats.

On May 12, 1889, he married Maria Holben, daughter of Solomon and Polly (Sechler) Holben, and they have four children: Claude (m. Annie Wagner); Mabel L. (m. Warren A. Follweiler); Katie P. (m. Anson J. Bailey); and Charles E.

Levi J. Heintzelman was born Jan. 26, 1866. He owns the Daniel Greenawald farm of 100 acres in Lynn, situated along the foot of the Blue Mountain, which he purchased in 1901, and has since cultivated. He was married in 1906 to Jane E. Schott, a daughter of Philip and Caroline (Straub) Schott, and they have one son, Fred A. Philip Straub was an aged Civil War veteran and farmer of Lynn.

David Heintzelman, son of Daniel, was born October 18, 1827. He was a carpenter and cabinet-maker by trade, and a mechanic of rare skill. It was said that he usually did as much work as two men ordinarily do. In earlier life he followed the carpenter trade, moving to Slatington in 1858; and in 1864 drifted into the undertaking business making the coffins himself as was the custom for undertakers in that day. His first funeral was that of Thomas Kern and he continued the business until he died. He built the first school-house at Slatington; also the Evangelical church at that place. He was prominently identified with civic matters of his borough; served as a school director for many years; and had a reputation that was beyond reproach.

In 1851 he married Elizabeth Kern, a daughter of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hartman) Kern. She died on June 25, 1882, aged 54 years, 11 months and 11 days. Their children were: Lizzie (1851-1905), (m. Elias S. Leh); Henry; Emma C. (m. H. A. Schertzinger, of Slatington), and Osville (born April 24, 1860, and died on July 13th of the same year). Mr. Heintzelman and all his family were members of the Evangelical church in which he took an active part. He died March 27, 1894, aged 66 years.

Gideon Heintzelman, son of Daniel, was born May 9, 1830. He was a carpenter and, like all his brothers, an exceptional wood-worker. For a number of years he lived at Newhards, in Washington township, but during his later years at the Leather-Corner Post, following the carpenter trade. All his sons learned and followed the same trade. He was a Lutheran and was buried at the Frieden's church at Hoffman's P. O.

He married Sarah Wehr, a daughter of Daniel



Wehr. She was born Oct. 6, 1835, and died on Aug. 7, 1879. Their children were: William (of Portland, Oregon); Ellemenda (m. Charles Mertz); Benjamin D.; Oscar (of Butler Valley, in Luzerne county); Eugene (of Allentown); and Mary (m. Wilson Mahrholm, who live at Lehigh). Mr. Heintzelman died at Leather Corner Post on August 3, 1908, in his 79th year.

Stephen Heintzelman, son of Daniel, was born on December 27, 1833, in Lynn. He was a carpenter and farmer. At the time of his death he lived in Lowhill where he was buried. He died on January 8, 1882, at the age of 48 years and 11 days. He was a member of the Lutheran church. He was married three times. His first wife was Sarah Straub (1840-1863), a daughter of Jacob Straub, with whom he had a son, Lewis (a farmer near Germansville, married to a Fenstermacher and they have a number of children). His second wife was Sarah Krassly, born May 6, 1833 and died June 30, 1867, in her 35th year. She was a daughter of Jacob Krassly and was buried at the Frieden's church near Slatington, and his third wife was Hannah Krassly, a daughter of Elias and Maria (De Long) Krassly, born June 5, 1849, and died June 22, 1908, and buried at Cetrionia in the graveyard adjoining the Union church. Their children were: Granville J., Howard M. (married to Dora Kuhns and they have eight children, George, Florence, Claude, Arthur, Charles, Mark, May and Ruth); Emma (married John Hellerick, and they have a son, Raymond, who resides at East Allentown); Laura (married Alvin Wessner, residing at Bethlehem, and have a son, Raymond).

Daniel Heintzelman, son of Daniel, was born in Lynn, August 1, 1836. After following the carpenter trade some years he drifted into the undertaking business which he followed in Upper Lehigh county for more than forty years, and in 1912 was succeeded by his son, Lewis O. In addition to the undertaking business he followed contracting in his time, having erected many buildings and given employment to large forces of men. In 1911 he built the high school building at Slatedale at an expense of \$14,000. His home and farm are at the old Lehigh furnace in Washington. He is a ruddy-faced, heavy-set man, of a genial disposition and given to joking occasionally. His wife was Mary A. Rex, born ——— 31, 1836, and died on January 27, 1908. Their twelve children were: Wilson (of Ashland, Pa.); Henry (of Olympia, Washington); Mary and Willoughby (deceased); Lewis O.; Aaron B. (of Slatedale); James B. and

Flora A. (deceased); David O.; Emma E., Fietta J. and John G. (last three also deceased).

LEVI HEINTZELMAN, son of Daniel, is a farmer in Lynn township, and lives upon the homestead of his father, situated at the foot of the Blue Mountain and embraces 80 acres of fertile and level land, with most excellent water. He was born October 23, 1840. In 1871 he began farming the homestead which he bought in 1875 and has since carried on. The present house was built in 1853 and the barn in 1860 by his father who purchased the farm from David Mosser. Samuel Benfield owned the farm from about 1792 until 1811, when he moved to Albany township. The present house is the third building. The first was of logs and stood 150 feet from the present dwelling; the second was a stone building and stood between the first and the present one. The walls of the second one are still standing but are fast going into decay. Mr. Heintzelman is a heavy-set, medium-sized man.

On December 5, 1869, he married Sophia Fenstermacher whose father, Jeremiah, is mentioned in this volume. They had a daughter Lydia Ann Matilda, born December 19, 1871, but died September 11, 1872.

Joseph Heintzelman, son of Johan Dieter, was born in 1828 and died on his farm situated in Lowhill township in 1898. In his early life he followed the trade of a shoemaker on his father's farm in Lynn township and there he continued to live until 1867 when he moved on his own farm in Lowhill. He was enlisted in the Civil War in October, 1862, but served only for a short time. He and his family were Lutheran members at the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli until their removal to Lowhill when they became members of the Weissenberg church. He officiated as a deacon and an elder of the church at New Tripoli.

His wife was Susanna, daughter of Benjamin Rauch, of Heidelberg, and they had twelve children: Sarah (m. Willoughby Snyder), Polly (m. Aaron Hausman), Fietta (m. Joseph Kistler, Wilkes-Barre), Rosa (m. Joseph Boger), Lydia (m. Frank DeLong), Jane (m. Daniel Stump, Macungie), Emma (m. Harry Kocher), Alice (m. Willoughby Blose), Nathan J. Senia (m. Joseph Hess), Mary (who died young), Tilghman (who met with an accident in a barn by falling, and died from its effects when seven years old).

Nathan J. Heintzelman, son of Joseph, is a farmer in Lynn township near New Tripoli and was born there October 14, 1862. When a lad five years old, his parents moved to Lowhill township and there he lived until he became

twenty-nine years old when he returned to Lynn township and began farming at Mosserville. He was a tenant farmer for John J. Mosser twelve years; then, in 1904, he purchased a farm located between New Tripoli and Lynnvile, on the north side of the Schochary hills, containing 68 acres, which he has since occupied and successfully cultivated, more especially raising large crops of potatoes.

Mr. Heintzelman was married in 1881 to Polly Snyder, daughter of Daniel Snyder, and they have seven children: Daniel (who died when 17 years old), Mary (m. Henry Fenstermacher), Ella (m. Sylvester Wanamaker), Katie (m. Wilson Snyder), Daisy, Mabel, and Ralph G.

GRANVILLE J. HEINTZELMAN, of Ricketts, Pa., is a native of Lehigh county; was born at Slatington, June 26, 1868, son of Stephen and Hannah (Kressley) Heintzelman. His early education was obtained in the public schools in Heidelberg township. At the age of fifteen years he learned the carpenter trade, following it for three summers, but attending school in the winter. In 1886 he entered the Allentown Business College and soon after his graduation, June 1, 1887, he accepted a position as bookkeeper with the E. W. Trexler Lumber Company, at Allentown. He continued in their employ until April 1, 1894, when he was transferred by Col. Harry C. Trexler, to Ricketts, in Wyoming county, Pa. to take charge of the office of the Trexler and Turrell Lumber Co., and there he has been serving this firm in a most efficient manner until now, but of late years as its general superintendent. Colonel Trexler is the only surviving member of the Company at Ricketts.

Mr. Heintzelman is active in church and Sunday school work. In 1902 he was the principal spirit in the organization of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, at Ricketts, and he has been a deacon of it from the beginning to this time. About the time of the organization of the church he also organized a Sunday school and he has been serving as its superintendent ever since.

He was appointed postmaster of Ricketts in 1897 and he has been filling this appointment continuously to this time. He is a school-director of Forkston township, Wyoming county, having been first elected in 1908, and re-elected in 1911 for the six year term under the new school code by the largest vote on the ticket. In politics he is a Republican.

On April 21, 1889, Mr. Heintzelman was married to Agnes V. Dietrich, daughter of the late William J. and Susan (Seaman) Dietrich,

of Hamburg, Berks county, Pa., and they have two children: Carrie May and H. Clay.

BENJAMIN D. HEINTZELMAN was born in Slatington November 24, 1861. At the age of eighteen years he learned the carpenter trade under the instruction of his father and then worked with his father as journeyman for a number of years. In 1872 he began doing carpenter work for different coal companies and continued in their employ for twenty years; then entered the employ of the Lehigh Portland Cement Co. and worked for them five years. He was also engaged by contractors at Egypt. In 1888 he was employed by the B. & N. R. R. at railroad bridge work in Nebraska; and at Mitchell, Indiana, for six months by the Lehigh Portland Cement Co.; also for a time by Jas. K. Moser at Ridgewood, West Virginia. In 1907 he started farming operations at Egypt for L. Frank Peters on a 95-acre farm which was the Peter Solomon Steckel homestead, by whom the large house on the farm was built in 1816.

Mr. Heintzelman and his family are Lutherans. He is a Democrat. In 1886 he married Alice Mace, daughter of Benjamin and Angelina (Klinger) Mace, and they have ten children: Foster (a carpenter, married to Annie Smith), Clare (married to Jennie Peter); Charles, Maud, Stella, Henry, William and Millie, twins; Howard, and Mary.

HENRY HEINTZELMAN, son of Daniel, grandson of Daniel of Slatington, was born at that place on January 22, 1862, and educated in the local schools. He learned the carpenter trade, and also the painting and paper-hanging trades, when a young man, which he followed until in June, 1895, when he engaged in the undertaking business which he has since continued. His first funeral was that of Mrs. Henry Kuntz; and until 1912 he buried upwards of eight hundred people. He and his family attended the Evangelical Church. He is a member of these lodges: P. O. S. of A., Knights of Malta, Knights of Friendship, and the Royal Arcanum. On June 30, 1891, he married Allawilda Henritzy, a daughter of Lewis Henritzy (whose history appears in this volume), and they have four children: Elizabeth M., Helen A., David H. and Dorothy E.

Lewis O. Heintzelman, of Slatedale, was born at Lehigh-Furnace, October 9, 1865. At the age of eighteen years he learned the undertaking business from his father and succeeded him in 1912. In 1911 he built for himself a handsome residence on the main street of Slatedale. He and his family are Lutherans. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A. and the Improved Order of Red Men. On May 26, 1892,



he married Martha Held, a daughter of Llewellyn J. and Sabina (Straub) Held, of Lehigh-ton, and they have four children: Florence M., Norman H., Elwood H., and Llewellyn D. (who died in infancy).

Eli S. Heintzelman of Allentown, was born in Allentown, March 10, 1844, and after his education he taught school for seven terms. In 1867 he engaged in the mercantile business at Pennsville (now Ashfield), Carbon county, Pa., and there he continued for seven years. He was a justice of the peace for eleven years at the above place; also school director and auditor of East-Penn township for a number of years in which district he was the recognized leader. He declined the nomination for high sheriff of Carbon county by the Democratic party. At one time he acted as deputy state-controller of the J. O. U. A. M. In 1866 he married Hattie A. Gottshall (who died in 1869) and they had two children: Amandus P. (who died in 1874), and Annie E. (m. Corras Ziegler, of Allentown).

Owen Heintzelman, son of Lorentz, was a carpenter and farmer in Heidelberg township. He owned the homestead where James Hunt now lives. His wife was Leah Rex, and they had five children: Amanda J. (married Oscar Peter), Oscar B., Willoughby, Tevilla (married Nathaniel Smith), and Sophia (married Amandes Krum, of Allentown).

OSCAR B. HEINTZELMAN was born in Washington township, June 19, 1865. In 1893 he commenced farming in Heidelberg and there he continued until in 1901, when he removed to Whitehall township where he has since farmed a 98-acre farm for the Allentown Portland Cement Co. He and his family are Lutherans. Mr. Heintzelman is a member of the J. O. U. A. M., at Peters, in Washington. In the year 1891 he married Mary A. Semmel, a daughter of Moses and Leanna (Geiger) Semmel and they have the following children: Irwin O., Mabel L., Emma L., Clarence M., and Annie M.

Johannes Heintzelman, son of Johannes, was born August 25, 1825, on the old homestead, in Lynn located back from New Tripoli, and there he died January 22, 1900. He married Catharine Weiss, who was born in 1799, and died in 1885. Among their children were: John (who was never married) and Daniel (whose wife was Sarah Snyder, and they had eleven children: Rosa, Anna, D. James, Lewis, Monroe, Mary (Zellner), Laura, Sophia, Louisa, Amanda and Ella.

Johannes Heintzelman, Sr., had another son, named Solomon, who lived in Lowhill. He was born in 1832, and died unmarried in 1901. His

grave is marked by a large and attractive monument at the Lowhill Church graveyard.

#### PHILIP HEISS.

Philip Heiss, engineer at Allentown, was born at La Salle, Illinois, Nov. 14, 1866, where he attended the public schools until he became fourteen years of age; then he located at South Bethlehem. After working in a brass foundry for ten years he studied engineering and was promoted to engineer of the plant which position he filled for thirteen years. He was next engineer of the Jacobs Electric Light Company, for two years; then located at Allentown, where he has since been employed as an engineer from 1905 until now, with the Bondy & Lederer cigar factory.

He is a member of the American Order of Steam Engineers; Lehigh Council, No. 15; of Ontario Tribe of Order of Red Men, at South Bethlehem; and of the Reformed Church.

In 1902, Mr. Heiss was married to Susanna Stinner, daughter of Charles Stinner. Her father died at the age of 78 years, and her mother at 69 years. Both were buried in the German Catholic cemetery of Allentown.

His parents were born in Germany, but after they had emigrated to America, they settled at South Bethlehem, where they died, when the father was 65 years of age, and the mother 68 years. They had these children: Philip; Mrs. Emma Hoffman, residing in California; and Mrs. Caroline Buchmiller, of Illinois.

#### HELD FAMILY.

The progenitor, John Held, was a taxable in Macungie township, in 1781. His son, John Jacob Held, in later years, lived in Lower Macungie near the Rittenhouse Gap, where the Thomas Iron Company had ore beds. His children were: Henry, who located in South Whitehall; John Jacob mentioned later; David at Weissport; Katie (m. Conrad Carl); George was killed by a falling tree; John died of small pox and Judith married to a Keiser.

John Jacob Held, the grandfather of Albert L., was born May 10, 1810, in Lower Macungie, Lehigh county. He died aged 69 years. He married Elizabeth Reinert. She was born Oct. 24, 1811, and died March 5, 1886. Herself and husband are buried at the Cedarville church. Their children follow: Amandes W., Charles, Emma, Mrs. John Marks, all deceased; Mary, widow of Charles Long; Frank and Benneville, of Allentown, and Elizabeth, deceased, was married to Charles Gessner.

Amandes W. Held, son of John Jacob, was born in 1835, at Spring Creek in Lower Macun-

gie township. He was hired out on the farm at the age of 16 years to the late William H. Fogel and at the age of 19 became a clerk in the store of Simon Troxell, at Fogelsville. In the year 1860, he began manufacturing bricks, having brick yards at intervals at Fogelsville, Trexler-town, Alburtis and Litzenburg. After having taught school for two years at Fogelsville, (in 1878) he engaged in the grain and coal business at Litzenburg, succeeding P. R. Bear.

In 1883 he moved his business to Fogelsville, and formed a partnership with A. S. Wenner, who is still engaged in the same business.

Mr. Held retired from the grain and coal business in 1890, and after spending several years in the lime business he retired and spent the remainder of his days at his late home in Fogelsville, where he died on July 1, 1902.

He was actively identified with Lehigh Lodge, F. & A. M., at Trexlertown and Macungie Lodge, No. 231, I. O. O. F., and the Lehigh Encampment.

He was the honored superintendent of St. John's Union Sunday school of Fogelsville since its organization June 7, 1861, until in 1900, when he was obliged to retire, owing to failing health.

He married Maria L. Smith, a daughter of Eli and Susanna (Snyder) Smith. They had issue, viz: Richard, deceased; Alice, died in infancy; Rev. Cyrus E., of Sumneytown, Pa.; Phaon died in infancy; Frank J. E., of Allentown; John O., of Weisenberg; Annie M. (m. W. H. Mohr); Albert L., mentioned later, and Edgar G., of Tatamy, Pa.

ALBERT L. HELD, of Fullerton, was born April 28, 1874, at Fogelsville. He was educated in the public schools, the James F. Guth Teachers' Training School for four terms, taught school four terms in Upper Macungie township, then entered the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, and graduated in 1897. He again entered the profession and taught three terms in North Whitehall, three terms in South Whitehall, and since 1902 he serves the principalship of the Fullerton schools.

Mr. Held was elected organist in 1900 of the Jordan Lutheran and Reformed churches at Walberts, was organist at the Lehigh County Almshouse for 12 years; was elected organist and choir leader of Mickley's Church in Dec., 1902, and he has been serving this position to the present time, also is the organist of the St. John's Union Church, at Fullerton since 1904. He is president of the Luther League of the St. John's Union Church at Fullerton since 1906; is secretary of the Missionary Society of the Mickley's church since 1908; is teacher of the ladies'

Bible class of Mickley's Union Sunday school since 1903; was teacher of the female Bible class of St. John's Union Sunday school at Fullerton since 1907 and is teacher of the male Bible class since 1909.

Socially he is a member of the Macungie Lodge, No. 231, I. O. O. F. since 1898, and of Alpha Camp W. O. W., of Fullerton since its organization in Feb., 1909, having served as its first Consul Commander.

He married in 1900, Cora A. Christman, daughter of Thomas W. and Isabella (Reinhard) Christman. Their children are: Grace E.; Ralph W., deceased; Frances L.; Pauline A.; Arlene M.; and Isabell R.

#### HELLER FAMILY.

The Heller families living in Lehigh and Northampton counties, Pennsylvania, are descended from Christopher Heller, who came to America in 1738 with six sons, according to facts established by researches of William J. Heller of Easton, Pennsylvania. A summary of the evidence adduced by him was published at Easton, Pennsylvania, in 1898, which record shows conclusively the relationship of the earlier members of said family; and gives the names of the second and third generations descended from Christopher Heller, ancestors from whom the several branches of the Heller family trace their origin.

On arrival in Philadelphia, all males over sixteen years of age entering the colony were required to register their ages; and Christopher Heller was entered as aged fifty years in 1738, while Simon Heller, his son, was reported as aged seventeen. This same Christopher Heller was granted a tract of land on the 8th day of September, 1742, situated in Saucon Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, and he conveyed the same to his sons, Daniel and Christopher Heller by deed dated February 23rd, 1748, according to official records in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg. The original patent bears date April 29, 1790, is recorded in Patent Book Volume XV, at page 285, and recites: "That in consideration of the monies paid by Christopher Heller unto the late proprietaries of the sum of seventy-five pounds, fifteen shillings, lawful money, now paid by Daniel Heller into the Receiver-General's office of this Commonwealth, there is granted by said Commonwealth unto the said Daniel Heller, a certain tract of land, called "Delay," situated at Saucon, in Northampton county 176 acres. Said tract was surveyed in pursuance of a warrant granted to said Christopher Heller, dated 8th day of September, 1742, who, by deed dated the



23rd day of February, 1748, conveyed the same to his sons Daniel Heller and Christopher Heller; and the said Christopher Heller, by deed, dated 28th day of October 1785, conveyed his part thereof to the said Daniel Heller in fee."

Christopher Heller, the founder of the Pennsylvania families, was born about 1688, at Petersheim, in Europe. He emigrated to America in 1738, arrived in Philadelphia, presumably with his wife, his son Simon, and other children. He was granted a tract of land in Saucon Township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, on the 8th day of September, 1742; named his son Daniel Heller as executor of his will; died there in 1778, was buried at Hellertown, Pa.

No record of his wife's name has been handed down to posterity, nor of his children other than those mentioned below, viz:

1. John Dieter, born in 1719, died in 1800.
2. Simon Heller, of whom see below.
3. Michael Heller, born 1724, in Europe; owned land in Saucon Township, Northampton County, Pa., near Hellertown; was known as Michael Heller, the elder, in the latter years of his life; died in 1803, and was buried at Hellertown, Pa.

4. Daniel Heller, born in 1726; was one of the two sons to whom the father conveyed homestead lands in Saucon Township, Northampton county, Pa., dated February 23, 1748; died in 1803; and was buried at Hellertown, Pa. He married Elizabeth, daughter of Charles Keiper. She was born in 1732 and died Aug. 2, 1795. They are both buried at the "Lime-Kiln Schoolhouse." His sons were: John, Jeremiah, and Michael, the potter.

5. Ludwig Heller, born 1728, died in 1807, and was buried in Hamilton Township, Monroe County, Pennsylvania.

6. Christopher Heller, born in 1731; was one of two sons to whom his father conveyed lands the 23rd day of February 1748, in Saucon Township, Northampton county, Pa.; on October 28, 1785, he conveyed his interest to Daniel Heller, his brother; died in 1805, and was buried at Upper Mount Bethel, Northampton county, Pa. He married Mary Keiper, and had sons: Joseph; Michael, who had an oil mill; Solomon; and Daniel.

Simon Heller, son of Christopher Heller, the emigrant founder of the family in America, was born in 1721, at Petersheim, in Europe; was seventeen years old when he arrived in Philadelphia with his father, 1738; and in 1763 he purchased a plantation in Plainfield Township, Northampton County, Pa., to which he moved with his entire family. The inscription on his gravestone records the fact that he had sixteen

children. He died in 1783, and was buried at Plainfield Church, Northampton county, Pa.

His wife, Louisa Dietz, of Milford township, left issue, viz:

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| 1. Saponia, born January 24, 1747, in Saucon township, Northampton county, Pa. | 9. Anthony, born February 1, 1758, in Saucon township.                           |
| 2. Elizabeth, born March 9, 1749, in Saucon township.                          | 10. Catrina, born March 4, 1759, baptized May 13, 1759, at Lower Saucon Church.  |
| 3. Jacob, of whom see next generation.   | 11. Maria, born November 16, 1760.   |
| 4. Abraham, born May 30, 1751, in Saucon township.                             | 12. Anthony, born March 20, 1762; baptized June 6, 1762, at Lower Saucon Church. |
| 5. Margaretha, born December 3, 1752, in Saucon township.                      | 13. Simon, born —, 17 —, in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pa.         |
| 6. Sarah, born February 18, 1754, in Saucon township.                          | 14. Louisa, born —.  |
| 7. Daniel, born July 15, 1755, in Saucon township.                             | 15. Veronica.  |
| 8. John, born October 29, 1756, in Saucon township.                            | 16. Mary.  |

Jacob Heller, son of Simon and Louisa (Dietz) Heller, was born March 6th, 1750, as appears from the baptismal records of Lower Saucon Church, in Saucon township, Northampton county, Pa. In 1763, his parents moved to Plainfield Township of the same county; he lived there and died in 1822, in Northampton County, Pa. He was married and had issue as follows:

1. Susanna.
2. George.
3. Samuel.
4. Charles.
5. Elizabeth.
6. John.
7. Jacob.

8. William was married and had issue, viz: Edmund, who died in Monroe County, Pa.; Caroline Heller, married a Unangst, and lived at Stockertown, Northampton County, Pa.

9. Rebecca; married Edward Bay Hine line of Harmony, N. J., and several others who died in infancy.

John Heller, son of Jacob, was born in 1779, at Mount Bethel, Northampton county, Pa. He was a farmer and owned lands in Northampton county; and left a considerable estate to his family. Died in 1884 in Northampton county.

He was married and left issue so far as known as follows:

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| 1. Jacob.  | at one time owned the Hotel Allen property; and left a large estate. |
| 2. ——— Heller, a daughter who married ——— Brown.       |  |
| 3. ——— Heller, a daughter, who married ——— Odenwelder. | 5. Aaron.  |
| 4. David Heller, resided in Allentown, Pa.;            | 6. Peter, of whom below.   |
|  | 7. John.   |
|  | 8. Samuel.   |

Peter Heller, son of John, was born September 17, 1816, at Stockertown, Northampton county, Pa. He received such education as was afforded by the local schools of his native village and left his father's farm to learn the trade of blacksmith and wheel-wright, near Seneca Falls, New York.

In 1838, he returned to Allentown, Pa., where he followed his trade for some years; he erected and operated a black-smith shop at the corner of South Sixth and Walnut Streets, where he carried on the business until 1838; and then purchased a livery stable nearby, on the same street. He continued the livery business for several years in which he ran coaches between the railroad station and hotels; and afterward returned to the black-smith's trade, which he conducted until the year 1884, when he retired.

During his residence in Allentown, he acquired considerable property; built his residence on an adjoining lot to his blacksmith shop, and there brought up his family. He was at one time Treasurer of Lehigh county from 1871 to 1873; was a member of St. John's Reformed church; and was not only a liberal contributor to church enterprises, but an earnest Christian worker.

He died, November, 1906, at Allentown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and was buried at Fairview cemetery.

Peter Heller married Anna Hartz, daughter of George Hartz. She was born in 1819, and died in May, 1891, and had issue eight children, viz:

1. Charles H. Heller; was Adams Express Company Agent at Allentown; and during the latter years of his life, was Traveling Passenger Agent for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. He married and had issue, viz: William, Florence, Charles H., Fannie, Howard, Robert, George, Ruth, LeRoy, Lulu.

2. Florence Heller, died 1902. She was married to Jacob T. Colver, a newspaper publisher.

3. John Hartz Heller, of whom below.

4. George Heller, was the first ticket agent of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; became District Passenger Agent for said railroad; and served in that capacity for more than thirty years; and died at Wilkes-Barre.

5. Elizabeth Heller, born at Allentown, Pa., married Owen Henry Laub, and for additional information see the Laub sketch.

6. Annie E., was born at Allentown; married to Dr. Harry Y. Horn, who resides at Coplay, and had issue as follows: Matilda, Bella, George, Robert, Anna, Harry.

7. Harry Elwood Heller, was General Freight Agent of the C. B. & Q. R. R., at Kansas City, Mo., for more than thirty-three years; mar-

ried Emma Thomas, of Detroit, Mich., and had issue, viz: Thomas H., and Margaret W.

8. Mary Irene Heller, born April 3, 1860, at Allentown; married Frank Walter Koch, of Allentown, Pa., the 24th day of July, 1886; and for whose further history see the Koch sketch.

John Hartz Heller, son of Peter and Anna (Hartz) Heller, was born August 31st, 1847, in Allentown, Pa.; he attended the local elementary schools of his native town, and the Allentown Academy. In 1863, he entered the employ of Barbel, Knauss and Fuchs, merchants, at Bethlehem, Pa., and continued there until 1865; was with Weinshimer and Newhard, dry-goods merchants, at Allentown, Pa., from 1865 to 1867; with Guth and Kern, merchants, 1867-1869; D. N. Foster and Co., 1869-70; and with E. D. Leisenring, books and stationery, 1870 to 1877. In 1877, he secured a position as an assistant in the local office of the Adams Express Company, then became express-messenger between Allentown and New York, in 1880, and from 1880 to 1883, clerk in their New York office. In 1877, he set up in business for himself at Allentown, Pa., as newsdealer; and continued the same until 1898, when he was employed as chief clerk and Passenger Agent on the C. B. & Q. R. R., with an office at 836 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; and has continued in the last named position from 1898 to the present time, 1913. Is a Democrat, member of the St. John's Reformed church, and of the Royal Arcanum.

He married Annie E. Quier, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Keiter) Quier; died April 7th, 1913, in Philadelphia; and was descended from John Caspar and Elizabeth (Hoffman) Keiter.

Issue of Annie E., Quier-Heller, four children, viz:

1. John Stanley Heller, born May 25th, 1880, at Allentown, Pa., who in 1913 was a clerk in the Adelaide Silk mill at Allentown; and married Estella Sell.

2. Mamie E., died in infancy.

3. Edna R., died in infancy.

4. Lillian Elizabeth, born in 1891, at Allentown, Pa., and lives with parents in Philadelphia.

We find in Bushkill township, Northampton county, about the year 1800, Aaron Heller, a farmer, and his wife, Sally Ann, who lived and died there. He was a member of the Reformed Church and his wife was of the Lutheran faith. They had a son, Jacob A., of whom below.

JACOB A. HELLER, son of Aaron and Sally Ann Heller, was born Dec. 24, 1841, in Bushkill township, Northampton county. His op-



portunities for acquiring an education were very limited, alternating attendance in the public schools with helping his father on the farm. He remained at home until the age of twenty-one, when he rented a farm his father owned near Stockertown, Pa., eventually possessing one of his own. He continued the pursuit of agriculture in that locality for upwards of twenty years, when he sold his property and removed to the eastern shore of Maryland, locating at Ridgely, where he remained for a period of sixteen years, engaging in farming, real estate and building operations, meeting with fair financial success. He then returned to Northampton county, locating at Nazareth, where he formed a partnership with James Ritter, doing business as Heller & Ritter, manufacturing carriages and doing general repair work. At the end of three years he sold his interest in the business in 1900, and removed to Allentown. He became interested in real estate enterprises. He was engaged in building a brick house for his own occupancy, when he was taken ill and died in May, 1905, and interment was in Forks church cemetery, Northampton county. In politics he was a Democrat, and in religion an active member of the Reformed Church, having filled various church offices. He was a good citizen and devoted to his family. He married, at Forks, Anna Julia Young, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Heller) Young. Issue: Charles Harrison, who died in infancy; and Anna Elizabeth, who died young. Mrs. Heller is an attendant of the Lutheran Church.

Michael Heller, third son of Christopher, born in 1724, married Catharine Keiper and had children: David, born 1751, died 1833; Margaret; Simon, born 1758; Daniel; Mathias, born 1763; and Michael, born 1757, died 1828, called "Creek Mike."

David Heller married Elisabeth Ladenmacher and had sons: Michael, born 1777, died 1816; David, born 1778; Job, born 1780, died 1822; Yost, born 1783; and Joseph, born 1788. Yost married Elizabeth Shaffer and had three children: Jacob, Elizabeth, and Mary. Jacob was born in 1804 and died in 1881. He married Sarah Bellits and had sons: William, Josiah B., Jacob, and John. Josiah B. was born in 1829, and died Dec. 5, 1898. He married Susan Heinen and had children: George, born 1853; William J., born 1857; Arthur P., born 1864, died 1903; and Lizzie May, married Chester Seip.

William J. Heller, flag manufacturer of Easton, son of Josiah B., married Tillie A., daughter of George Leshner, and has three children: Ray and Harry, who died in childhood; and

Bessie Evelyn, who married, Aug. 30, 1913, Dr. Rufus J. Roberts, of Chicago, Ill.

Michael Heller, born 1757, died 1828, married, Dec. 20, 1807, Salome, daughter of Rev. Abraham Blumer. She was born in 1776 and died in 1844. They had children: Philip, Salome, Maria, and Julia.

#### J. ELIAS HELLENER.

J. Elias Hellener, late of Fountain Hill, was born July 12, 1833, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, son of Christian Friederich Hellener, a native of Germany. The latter was born at Sindelfingen, Wurtemberg, Sept. 1, 1798, and came to the United States when a young man. From New York he went to Philadelphia, and there learned the trade of a baker, which he followed for some years. He then came to Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, and followed the weaving of carpets and bed spreads, later, however he was a stone cutter in the township, until his removal, in 1852, to the territory in Eastern Salisbury, which is now embraced in Fountain Hill borough. There he had bought a farm of 32 acres which he cultivated in connection with stone cutting until some years before his death, which occurred on April 15, 1893, at the advanced age of 95 years. He was a remarkable man in many ways. He was a gifted artist and his water color paintings, his family genealogy and coat-of-arms, are a cherished heirloom by his worthy granddaughter, Theresa. He was descended of a Knighted German family and the Von Helleners were prominent in early German annals.

Christian Friederich Hellener was married to Theresa Mory, a daughter of Goodhart and Maria Magdalena (Horlacher) Mory. She died in 1857, aged 52 years. They are both buried on the Friedensville Lutheran church cemetery. Their children were: (1) Anna Maria Magdalena, who died single; (2) Catherine, married Lewis Weidner, and had three children, viz.: Dr. Charles, of Hellertown, Pa., who married Ida Schlotter, and they have Edna, Katie and John; Christian F., resides in Lebanon, Sullivan county, Ind., is married and has four children—Grace, Raymond, Dorothy and Claude; and Mary, was unmarried, and resides on the homestead at Seidersville; (3) J. Elias.

J. Elias Hellener was educated in the common schools of Upper Saucon township and in 1852 came with his parents to Fountain Hill, where he followed farming to the end of his days. In the year 1897, he erected the fine brick residence in which his widow and daughter, Theresa, continue to reside up to the present time. His farm has been cut up into building lots, and near-

ly 100 houses are now erected upon his former acres. Mr. Hellener was an industrious, enterprising, and prosperous man. In connection with cultivating his land, he dealt in real estate and by honest and straightforward dealing, he accumulated a competence which is now shared by his estimable wife, and accomplished and esteemed daughter. The family own a grandfathers' clock, which is said to be over 100 years old; and on their farm was an old log house which was built at an early date and which was razed in 1907, after having stood for more than 100 years.

On June 18, 1865 he was married to Mary Snyder, a daughter of Michael and Mary (Beck) Snyder, who was a blacksmith of Bedminster township, Bucks county, Pa. Two children blessed their union, viz.: Miss Theresa, and John Elias, Jr., the latter who died in infancy.

#### HELFRICH FAMILY.

John Helfrich was born in 1699 and emigrated to America in the ship *Samuel*, which arrived at Philadelphia on Aug. 11, 1732. He settled in Upper Milford township, where he died Feb. 27, 1764, and was buried at the Salisbury church. He made his will March 3, 1760, which was probated April 2, 1764. He and his wife, Mary, had five children: Margaret, wife of Michael Ringer; Mary Barbara, wife of Peter Flickinger; Michael; George; and Anna Mary, wife of Jacob Diehl.

Michael Helfrich, son of John, died in 1760, four years before his father, in Macungie township, where he had warranted a tract of land in 1774. He and his wife, Anna Margaret, had four children: Margaret, the eldest, married William Lehr; the sons were John; George; and Michael, the youngest, who was born after his father's death.

John Helfrich, eldest son of Michael, second, married Magdalena Blank, and had four children: John George; Michael, born Oct. 14, 1788; Magdalena, born April 24, 1794; and Sarah, born May 4, 1796.

John George Helfrich, son of John, was born Sept. 27, 1785, and died Feb. 17, 1841, and is buried on the old Allentown cemetery. He purchased the Helfrich Spring farm of 145 acres, formerly owned by the Harlacher and Blank families and farmed it until his death. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. He married Salome Good, and had two children: Reuben and Mary, who married Paul Yundt.

Reuben Helfrich was born at Helfrich's Springs, June 10, 1814, and died Jan. 26, 1890. He inherited the homestead and farmed it all his life. He added ten acres to the farm and purchased also an adjoining farm of 52 acres, pre-

viously owned by Jacob Deshler and earlier by Peter Grim, who erected the grist-mill in 1807. Mr. Helfrich was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, of Allentown, where he served in the church council for several years. He married Mary Magdalena, daughter of George and Salome (Newhard) Yundt. She was born Sept. 7, 1812, and died Feb. 28, 1860. They had three children: Tilghman G., Thomas, and Sylvester.

Michael Helfrich, youngest son of Michael, was born April 27, 1760, in Macungie township, shortly after his father's death. He was a farmer and secured about 100 acres of his father's land. He served as a private in Captain Good's and Captain Wagner's companies in the Revolutionary War. He died Oct. 19, 1841, and is buried on Union cemetery. He married Catharine Hill, and had five children: John George, born June 21, 1794; Michael, Jr., born Jan. 14, 1796; Elizabeth, born Oct. 16, 1798, died single, Jan. 20, 1874; Salome, died single; and Margaret, married Benjamin Knauss. John George Helfrich, born June 21, 1794, married a Miss Beidelman, and had one son, George, who married, Dec. 1, 1840, Hetty Groff, of South Whitehall.

Michael Helfrich, son of Michael, second, was born Jan. 14, 1796, and died in Allentown, Sept. 6, 1886, aged 91 years, 7 months and 22 days, and is buried on the Allentown cemetery. He was a shoemaker by trade, as was his father. He followed farming in South Whitehall township and owned a farm, now the property of Col. H. C. Trexler. Mr. Helfrich was a Republican in politics and he and his family were members of the Evangelical Association, at Cedarville.

He was married in June, 1826, to Salome Xander, daughter of David Xander. She was born in 1802 and died in 1870, aged 68 years. They had eight children, as follows: Edmond, who was born Sept. 5, 1827; William, mentioned later; Matilda, born Aug. 5, 1833; Solomon, born Jan. 26, 1836; Eliza, born Sept. 20, 1838, and married Tilghman Mertz; Lewis, born Feb. 24, 1841; Tilghman, born Jan. 11, 1844; M. Alexander, mentioned later; and one deceased.

WILLIAM HELFRICH was born Oct. 25, 1829, in South Whitehall township. He was a carpenter for seven years, farmed the homestead for twenty-three years, and for six years farmed at "Hilltown," near the homestead. He is retired and resides at Allentown since 1888. In 1887 he built his present residence, No. 22 North Eleventh street, at the corner of Court and Eleventh streets. Mr. Helfrich and family are members of Trinity United Evangelical church, in which he served as trustee and secretary for many years.



On Oct. 12, 1856, he was married to Catherine A. Heilman, daughter of John and Maria (Guth) Heilman, and they have children: Tilghman J., who married Lillie Mertz; Milton A., mentioned later; Alice R., who married Benjamin Egner; George W., who died in the 4th year of his age; and William L., who died in the 20th year of his age.

Milton A. Helfrich was born in 1860. He worked on the farm until 1888 and since then was employed with the Trexler Lumber Company, at Allentown. He is a member of Trinity United Evangelical church of Allentown. He is not married and resides with his parents.

withdrew from the firm and in 1884, Samuel Fritch was admitted into partnership and the name changed to Helfrich, Weaver & Company, and it remained under this name until 1896. In the meantime, however, the name of H. S. Weaver was added and in 1896, the Messrs. Weaver withdrew and the firm name changed to Helfrich & Company, and remained such until 1900, and the members of the firm, up to this time, consisted of Solomon and M. A. Helfrich. In 1900, H. E. Bohner was admitted into partnership and in 1904, F. E. Leibenguth, then the present firm name was adopted. For 52 years the name of Helfrich has been associated with one of the



JOHANNES HELFRICH.

M. ALEXANDER HELFRICH, senior member of the firm of Helfrich & Bohner, No. 734 Hamilton street, Allentown, was born April 27, 1845. He learned the carpenter and cabinet making trade in Allentown and worked as a journeyman until 1881, in which year he became a partner in the present firm, which was established in 1859. At the time Mr. Helfrich entered the firm it consisted of the following members: Solomon and M. A. Helfrich, brothers; William Goranflo, and B. K. Weaver. In 1883, Mr. Goranflo

largest and most successful furniture houses in Lehigh Valley. In 1888, the present five-story building was erected, extending from Hamilton to Maple street, comprising fully half a block. The reputation of this firm extends beyond the confines of the city of Allentown and borders of Lehigh county into adjacent counties. Their beginning was marked with success and by the application of strict business principles their business has been prosperous to the present time.

Mr. Helfrich was united in marriage on his

30th birthday, in 1875, to Mary A. Reinhart, daughter of Edward Reinhart, and they had one daughter, Annie L., who died in her third year of age. Mr. and Mrs. Helfrich are members of Bethany United Evangelical church since its organization in 1895, Mr. Helfrich having been a member of the finance and building committee that erected this fine edifice and having served as a faithful church official ever since. He is active in the Sunday school and since 1870, has continuously served as Sunday school teacher, and during this time also filled the offices of superintendent and assistant superintendent. For several years he has served as treasurer of the Sunday school board, and since 1911 he is the treasurer of the church congregation. Before the division of the Evangelical Church in 1891, he was an official of "Old Salem," and later Ebenezer Evangelical church. He is a pillar in the large and prosperous congregation of Bethany United Evangelical church and in many ways rendered useful services to his fellowmen.

#### HELFRICH FAMILY, (WHITEHALL TOWNSHIP)

George Helfrich was the first of his family to settle at what is now "Helfrich Springs," in Whitehall township. He was a farmer and owned 145 acres of land, now owned by his grandson, Sylvester Helfrich. Mr. Helfrich and his descendants are all members of the Lutheran Church. He is buried on the old Allentown cemetery. His wife was Salome Good, and is buried on Union Cemetery. Their children were: Reuben; and Mary, who married Paul Yundt, who lived in Whitehall township, near Newhard's school house.

Reuben Helfrich, who was born at Helfrich Springs in 1814, inherited the homestead and followed farming all his life. He added 10 acres to the farm and also owned an additional farm of 52 acres, which was the Deshler homestead and prior to this belonged to Peter Grim, who erected the present grist mill on the Mickley pike in 1807. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church of Allentown, in which church he served on the consistory for a number of years. His wife was Mary Magdalena Yundt, a daughter of George Yundt, the father of Paul Yundt. They had children, as follows: Tilghman G., Thomas, and Sylvester.

TILGHMAN G. HELFRICH, of Helfrich Springs, was born on the homestead August 10, 1842, and was reared on the farm where he remained until 26 years old. He then became a partner with the late and lamented A. J. Breinig, under the firm name of Breinig & Helfrich, who were engaged in manufacturing of fertilizers, and employed twenty men. In

1867 the industry was removed from Allentown to its present location along Mickley's pike, in Whitehall township. Mr. Helfrich has been president and chief manager of the business from the beginning and has continued to fill this position up to the present time.

Mr. Helfrich has large real estate possessions and has been a conservative and successful citizen of the community. His present residence at Helfrich Springs was built by a Deshler about 1852, and the barn before 1800. He is a member of the Lutheran Church at Mickley's, which he served as a deacon and elder for eight years; and since 1900 is its treasurer. He is a Republican in politics, and has served as school director of Whitehall township.

On Jan. 1, 1866, he was married to Elmira Worman, a daughter of Abraham and Mary (Roth) Worman, and they have four children: Emma J., who married Henry E. Fenstermacher; Alfred R., the assistant treasurer of the Allentown Manufacturing Company, of Allentown; John L., who is the foreman of the Allentown Paint Works, lives at Allentown; and Mary, who married William T. Frankenfield, who lives at Helfrich's Springs.

THOMAS HELFRICH, proprietor of Helfrich's grist mill, located along the Mickley's pike, in Whitehall township, was born on his grandfather's homestead, July 28, 1847, and was reared on the farm. In 1878 he assisted his father in the operation of the mill and in 1890 succeeded him as owner. He is a member of the Lutheran Church and is a Republican in politics.

SYLVESTER HELFRICH, a retired resident of Allentown, is the owner of the Helfrich homestead at "Helfrich's Springs." There he was born, Sept. 18, 1852. He was reared upon the farm and after he was of age he began farming the homestead until the spring of 1912, when he retired and moved to Allentown. Mr. Helfrich's farm now contains upwards of 140 acres of land and the large stone house on this farm is the land mark of the community, being over 100 years old. The barn was built by George Helfrich in 1827.

He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Lutheran Church at Mickley's, where he served as deacon for four years. He was married in 1875 to Christiana Roth, a daughter of Solomon and Lydia (Roth) Roth, and they have children: Reuben, who was accidentally drowned at Laury's in 1898, at the age of 22 years. He was single. Harvey G., who married Gertie Warmkessel, and has the following children: Minnie I., Evelyn and Cleon; and Eva, who is single, at home.



Charles Helfrich, a native of Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, was engaged in the mercantile business first at Kutztown, and later at Seisholtzville, Berks county. From the latter place he removed to New York City, where he was a commission merchant until his death.

During the Civil War he had enlisted from Berks county, in Company G, Seventy-Fourth Regiment, and had been mustered into service Feb. 28, 1865, to serve for one year. He was the second lieutenant of his company, and Bates' History under remarks, records the following: "Captured—discharged by G. O., May 15, 1865."

He died in New York City and is buried in the Ocean Grove cemetery, Long Island. He was married to Amelia Hoffman, who died at Allentown, but was buried by the side of her husband in Long Island. Their children were: 1. Daniel P. 2. James, who lived and died in New York. 3. Dr. Charles, who is a specialist in New York City.

Daniel P. Helfrich, the eldest son of Charles and Amelia (Hoffman) Helfrich, was born at Kutztown, Pa., about 1853. When a boy, his parents moved to New York, where he attended the public schools and later took a course in Eastman's Business College, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

He was his father's assistant for some years and later was admitted as a partner in the business. He is now bookkeeper for a wholesale bakery concern.

Daniel P. Helfrich married (first) Christiana Gaumer, daughter of Benjamin Gaumer, who lived at Lehigh Church. Issue: Edgar H. W., and Vincent A. He married (second) Maria Hoffman. Issue: Ada, (Mrs. Frederick Sassaman), and Harry M., of Springfield, N. J.

Vincent A., of Allentown, a graduate from the Keystone State Normal School in 1899. He became supervisor of accounts for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and in his official capacity traveled extensively throughout the United States. He is now a member of the firm of Helfrich, Geary & Company, builders and dealers in real estate and fire insurance at Allentown.

EDGAR H. W. HELFRICH, son of Daniel P. and Christiana (Gaumer) Helfrich, was born Nov. 11, 1876, in Lower Macungie township, Lehigh county. He was educated in the public schools of New York city, graduating from school No. 86 in 1890; graduated from the Keystone State Normal School, at Kutztown, in 1897; taught school in his native township for six terms. Afterwards for two years he was an agent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Com-

pany in Allentown. In 1903 he became bookkeeper for James F. Butz, coal, wood and ice dealer, and in 1906, he became a partner in the business. He is a member of the firm of Helfrich, Geary and Company, real estate and insurance dealers. He and family are members of Salem Reformed church, which he served as a deacon from 1909 to 1912. He has taught the English Bible class in the Sunday school since 1903. Socially he has membership in Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M.; Washington Chamber, No. 18, O. K. of F.; the F. O. E.; the Protective Home Circle, and the John Hay Republican Club.

Edgar H. W. Helfrich was married, Oct. 9, 1907, to Emma M. Wehr, daughter of Joel and Matilda (Metzgar) Wehr, of Heidelberg township. Their children are: Harold W. and Elwood V. Helfrich. The oldest, Harold W., graduated from the Allentown high school in 1914, at the age of 16 years.

Solomon Helfrich, son of Michael, was a cabinet maker and later a furniture dealer at Allentown, where he died on Sept. 2, 1900, aged 63 years. He was one of the founders of the firm of Heimbach & Helfrich, which was located at 734 Hamilton street. They were an established firm and dealt largely in furniture and enjoyed an extensive trade in the undertaking business. They made their own coffins and had employed a large force of men in their various enterprises. The firm of Heimbach & Helfrich later developed in to the present house of Helfrich, Bohner & Company, who are still located at 734 Hamilton street.

Mr. Helfrich was a pillar in the Evangelical Church, having been a member of the old Salem church until the division in 1891 when he became a member of the so-called "minority" and henceforth up to the time of his death he was a faithful and esteemed member of Trinity United Evangelical church, which he served in various official capacities. Socially he had membership in Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F., and politically he was a Republican.

Solomon Helfrich was married to Matilda Elizabeth Beidelman, a daughter of Samuel and Henrietta (Stuber) Beidelman. She died on April 4, 1910, aged 70 years. They are buried on the family plot on the Allentown cemetery. They had two children as follows: Mary Henrietta, who is unmarried and resides at 313 North Ninth street, Allentown; and William Samuel, whose history follows.

WILLIAM S. HELFRICH, a native citizen of Allentown, was born Feb. 6, 1866. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown and the Allentown Business College. Afterwards he

entered the employ of Helfrich & Weaver from whom he learned the trade of a cabinet-maker and finisher and later he also learned the upholstering trade. He continued a faithful journeyman of this house for ten years after which he became a salesman in the store at 734 Hamilton street. In 1908 he formed an association with G. F. Schoenberger, under the firm name of Schoenberger and Helfrich. The firm conducted a furniture store on the business street in the borough of Siegfried, Pa., for a period of three years, at which time Mr. Helfrich bought out the interest of his partner and conducted the business under his own name up to 1905 when a fire occurred which consumed some of his stock, but notwithstanding this loss he continued in business there until 1907, when he sold the stock to Benjamin Coleman. Mr. Helfrich then removed to Allentown where he accepted a position as salesman for one year with Gately & Fitzgerald. In 1909 he engaged in the upholstering business at No. 16 North Eighth street, but later moved to his present location at 44 South Ninth street. He employs seven skilled mechanics and enjoys a large patronage.

He and family are active members of Trinity United Evangelical church; and socially he has membership in St. James Commandery, No. 68, Knights of Malta, and the Independent Order of Americans.

William S. Helfrich was married in 1886 to Alice J. Savitz, a daughter of Charles Savitz. Unto them are born the following children: 1. W. Stanley, a machinist. 2. May G., married to Prof. J. Warren Fritch, a teacher in the Allentown high school. 3. Doris. 4. Charles S., a professional bookkeeper. 5. W. Lewis.

#### HENDRICKS FAMILY.

James Hendricks, of Salford township, Montgomery county, Pa., married Miss ——— Oaks, a native of the same place. Their children were: Frank O. and Joseph O., both of Green Lane, Pa., and John O.

John Oaks Hendricks, son of James Hendricks, was born about 1850, in Salford township, Pa., where he now resides (1913). He attended the public schools and was reared upon the farm. He first engaged in the hotel business, at various points, in Montgomery, Berks and Lehigh counties, the last one being the Union Hotel in Allentown. He conducted this for over eight years, when he sold out to his son, and returned to his native township, purchasing 200 acres, where he has since resided. He directs the work of farming and stock raising of which he has made a success. Himself and children are members of the Lutheran church, while

Mrs. Hendricks is a member of the Reformed church.

In politics, Mr. Hendricks is an Independent voter, and has been a member of the I. O. O. F., since he became of legal age.

John Oaks Hendricks, married Sarah Bardman, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Boardman.

Their children were: Jacob, in hotel business; James, also in hotel business; Horace, a brewer, of Allentown; John Boardman, of whom below; Wilson, a wire worker of Allentown; Sallie; LeRoy; Hulda; Wallace; Ralph; and Lucy, all yet at home.

JOHN BARDMAN HENDRICKS, son of John Oaks and Sarah (Bardman) Hendricks, was born Feb. 3, 1886, in Upper Salford township, Montgomery county, Pa. He was reared on the farm, and attended the public schools and also the High school of his township. He first was in the hotel business with his father, then entered the employ of the American Steel Wire Co., of Allentown, remaining three years. In 1911, he bought his father's interest in the Union Hotel, which he now operates.

He is a member of the Lutheran church, and also of several fraternal societies.

John Bardman Hendricks married in January, 1908, in Allentown, Ida S. Kuhns, daughter of Simon and Mary (Lorish) Kuhns. They have a daughter, Helen Viola Hendricks, born Aug. 22, 1909.

#### HENDRICKS FAMILY.

Tobias Hendricks, a native of York county, Pennsylvania, was a pioneer settler of Snyder county, this state, and in his new home performed an important part in its history, Fort Hendricks, at Kreamer, having been named after him or his father.

Samuel Hendricks, son of Tobias, was born in Penn township, Snyder county, and is buried at Row's Church, to which he donated twenty acres of ground with the provision that: "No Hendricks shall be refused burial in the cemetery of Row's Church." The transfer of the deed is recorded in the court house at Sunbury. He was a prosperous farmer, and his large farm has been divided into three farms. His wife was Elizabeth De Wees.

They had one son, Benjamin, who was born Sept. 25, 1811, in Snyder county, and his active life was spent in farming merchandising and lime burning. He moved to Sunbury in 1824. At one time he owned what was known as the Hunter farm, on which Fort Augusta was built in 1756. At the time of his death in 1883, he possessed valuable property in Carolina county,



Virginia. He was a director of the Sunbury, Hazleton and Wilkes-Barre Railroad Co. during its construction and held that position until the Pennsylvania Company purchased it. He married Anna M. Shindel and they had twelve children: Samuel S., William M., Jacob S., Elizabeth, was the wife of Hon. Simon P. Wolverton, Martin L., Susan A., Louisa, Mary, Catharine, Isaac N., John P. S. and Ann M.

Martin L. Hendricks was born in 1843, at Sunbury, Pa., and after liberal education engaged in business in his native city. In 1880 he became the first wholesale liquor dealer in that city and he carried it on until his death in 1911.

He owned a large and valuable collection of Indian relics. Northumberland county was the home of Shickellamy the most famous Indian chief of his day, and in 1858 Mr. Hendricks dug up the remains of this chief who had been interred above the fort with a Christian burial by one of the noted Moravian missionaries of that time. When Mr. Hendricks dug up the grave he found Indian pipes, beads, tomahawks, paint and paint cups, bracelets, a horse pistol, etc., all of which were well preserved.

Mr. Hendricks was married to Esther Bright, but they had no children. They resided on Third street, Sunbury, in a log house built by G. Sherwood, from Philadelphia, in 1775. It is the oldest house now standing in Sunbury, Pa.

Andrew Hendricks, a lineal descendant of Tobias Hendricks, lived and died in Snyder county, Pa.

His son, Peter, was born there, and when twenty years old removed to Longswamp township, Berks county, where he married Mary Weiler, a sister of Nathan, Peter, Charles and William Weiler. From that place he moved to Fogelsville and there followed watchmaking about four years, and in 1850 he went to Siegersville, where he followed his trade until his death.

In 1872 he was elected treasurer of Lehigh county and served the office three years. He was an influential Democrat. He had three brothers: George (who was in the Civil War and afterward lived at Bethlehem, Pa.), John (was also in the Civil War and afterward lived at Schuylkill Haven, Pa.), and Jacob (who lived in Snyder county).

He was a large heavy set man, having weighed 350 pounds. His children were: Alfred (of Macungie, Pa.), Frank (deceased), Kate (married Hon. Amandes Sieger of Siegersville), James (retired citizen of Philadelphia), and Orlanda J. (of Siegersville).

Orlando occupies the family homestead where he was born March 15, 1855. At the age of fifteen years he began to work about horses and

drive cattle from Steuben county, N. Y., seventy miles above Elmira, and about 1876 engaged in the horse business which he followed until in 1897. In 1875 he married Rosa, daughter of Tilghman and Flora (Schreiber) Neff, of Neffsville, and they have these children: Mary (married Frank Apple), James W., George, Hattie (married Fred Kratzer), Florence (married Harry Walter), Annie, Bessie, and John.

James W. Hendricks, of Orefield P. O. (Siegersville), Pa., was born at that place in 1877. He began working at the cement mills when a mere boy. In 1899 he learned the tin-smith trade from George Wieand and continued in his employ for five years, and later he worked for Howard Kubus, at Fullerton, Pa. In 1911 he engaged in business for himself at Siegersville and there he occupies a Sieger homestead which is now 150 years old. The house is built of stone, and it is a landmark of the community in which it stands. He also carries on the barber trade in connection with his other business. He is a member of Lecha Tribe, No. 185, Independent Order of Red Men, of Allentown, and also of the Jordan Reformed Church.

#### HENNINGER FAMILIES.

##### *John George Henninger Family.*

John George Henninger, born in Alsace, Germany, April 13, 1737, died July 4, 1815. Married Catherine ———, born in Maxatawny township, Berks county, June 15, 1748, died May 25, 1828. They had six sons and six daughters, the parents are buried in the graveyard at Grimville, Berks county, Pa.

Christian Henninger, son of George and Catharine, was born Sept. 4, 1767, died Oct. 9, 1841. Married Eva Catherine Gebhart, born Jan. 19, 1766, died Feb. 22, 1826. Children: Daniel, John, Peter, Christian, William, Mrs. Solomon Marks.

John Henninger, son of George and Catharine, was a farmer in Maiden Creek, Berks county, and died, probably, about 1836. He was married and had a son, Daniel.

Daniel, son of John Henninger, was born in 1799, died in 1851, and was buried in Longswamp union church. He was a shoemaker in Longswamp township. He married (first) ——— (second) Elizabeth, born in 1806, died in 1858, a daughter of Ludwig and Annie (Kline) Wiener. Children by first marriage: Horatio; Henry, of Reading, Pa.; John, migrated to Ohio; Rebecca, unmarried, lives in Kutztown. Children by second marriage: Frank W., of further mention; Nicholas John; Mary A., married ——— Seisloff.

Frank W., son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Wiener) Henninger, was born Feb. 5, 1836, in Longswamp township. He attended the public schools and at the age of eighteen years was apprenticed to learn cabinet making. In 1856, he became a clerk for John R. Schall, of Trexlertown, retaining this position until 1864. He then enlisted, Sept. 2, 1864, in Company D, One Hundred and Ninety-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for one year. At the expiration of his term of enlistment, he again became associated with Mr. Schall, this time as manager of his business at Bath, retained it until 1870, when he engaged in the coal business and followed this until 1874. He then removed to Allentown and became superintendent for O. Spencer, coal and lumber dealer, resigned at the end of one year and was engaged as a lumber salesman for three years. The next four years were spent in selling farm implements for John R. Schall. Since 1878 he has followed his trade of cabinet making, and since 1906 has been in the employ of the Kurz Furniture Company at Fullerton, Pennsylvania. In politics a Republican, he has been a jury commissioner for Lehigh county three years. He is a member of the Zion's Evangelical church, and has been a class leader and exhorter for more than a quarter of a century. Mr. Henninger married, in 1858, Caroline, daughter of Peter and Hettie (Hummel) Guth, and they have had: Herbert D. J., deceased; Oliver J. P.; Lillie A. C., married Jacob F. Dietz; John H., deceased; Frank W., of further mention; Mary, married Hugh Brighton; Laura, married George F. Nagle; Charles W. A. M.; George H. H., married Blanche Snyder; Eve, deceased, married William Voorfries; Harry M., deceased.

Frank W., Jr., son of Frank W. and Caroline (Guth) Henninger, was born at Trexlertown, April 2, 1866. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown which he left in 1874. At the age of fourteen years he was apprenticed to learn the shoemaker's trade, and followed this occupation as a journeyman until 1907 when he became superintendent of the Lehigh Valley Shoe Company, and there he had charge of seventeen employees. He is a Progressive in politics and a member of the Evangelical Church, in which he has been an officer for more than twenty-five years, and has been superintendent of the Sunday school since 1894. Mr. Henninger married, Sept. 20, 1883, Annle E., a daughter of Levi F. and Leah (Kreitz) Werner. Children: Estelle E., married Stephen Caine, a nephew of Hall Caine, and has: Earl and Caroline; William F., died in infancy; Lillian L., married Hon. Charles O. Hunsicker, and has: Mary and Annie.

GEORGE H. H. HENNINGER was born September 1, 1874, the son of Frank W. Henninger and his wife, Carolina Guth, daughter of Peter Guth, of Allentown, and obtained his education in the common schools of that city. As a young man he entered the employ of the clothing firm of Koch Bros., where he remained for five and one-half years.

In 1902 he engaged in business as a member of the firm of Kurtz & Henninger at No. 34 North Seventh street. In October, 1906, the firm became George H. H. Henninger and remained at that location until February, 1912, when the business was removed to 531 Hamilton street, where a general tailoring business was conducted. He is now connected with Bastian & Frederick.

Mr. Henninger is a member of Ebenezer Evangelical church. Socially he is a member of Lehigh Lodge, I. O. O. F., and of the Sons of Veterans. He is a Republican in politics, and in 1910 was elected as a member of select council from the Fourth ward. He married, August 25, 1899, Blanche E. Snyder, daughter of Roger Snyder. They have four children: Miriam C., Gladys D., Claire E. and Roger M.

Tilghman Henninger was born April 16, 1823, and died November 1, 1887, aged 64 years, 6 months and 15 days.

He followed the occupation of a farmer all his life and lived on a tract of land now owned by his son-in-law, Samuel J. Henninger. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and in politics was a Democrat. His wife was Judith Grim and was born June 14, 1831, and died July 30, 1906. Their children are: Emma C., wife of Charles B. Glick, and Rosa A. A., wife of Samuel J. Kern.

#### *John Jacob Henninger Family.*

John Jacob Henninger was born in Alsace, Germany, Feb. 1, 1739, and died Sept. 22, 1823. He emigrated to America from Germany, and settled on a three-hundred acre tract of land near Crackersport, Lehigh county, now owned by James Hammel. He came to this country probably in 1750 or soon thereafter, and was one of the soldiers who went to the relief of the Missionaries who had settled in Gnadenhütten (now Lehighton). He helped to garrison Fort Allen (Weissport) in 1756. He married Catherine Kimmel, of Berks county, Pennsylvania, born August 15, 1757, died June 16, 1837. Children: Jacob, of further mention; Christian, born 1784, died 1826; Daniel, born 1788, died 1825; John George, of further mention.

All of these five sons married and raised families and occupied farms in South Whitehall township, most of them on the original tract pur-



chased by Jacob Henninger, their father. Christian, the fourth son of Jacob Henninger, the progenitor, occupied a farm near Wenersville, South Whitehall township. He was married to a daughter of John Peter Koehler. He became blind and died as a young man, but left to survive him five sons, to wit: Daniel, John, Peter, Christian and William. All of these later on settled in the southern end of Lehigh county with the exception of William, who in 1851 went to the village of Republic, about six miles from Tiffin, Ohio. He purchased a farm there, and going there at that time was considered as going West. He has since died and of his family very little is known. Daniel, the oldest son of Christian, bought a small tract of land in Lower Macungie township, near the village of East Texas, and in connection with the cultivation of his small farm he carried on the trade of making and mending shoes. He left two sons, the oldest, Levinus, is still occupying the old homestead, and the other is Marvin D. Henninger, the prosperous merchant of South Allentown borough.

John, the second son, by trade was also a shoemaker and carried on his trade on a small farm which he purchased in Upper Milford township, midway between the boroughs of Emaus and Macungie. He had three sons: Llewellyn, John and Hiram, all of them deceased, and two daughters, one of them Tevilia Diefenderfer, who is still the owner of the old homestead. Her husband was Martin Diefenderfer, deceased, who was in his lifetime one of the best penman in the country. The other is Hannah Lauer, of Allentown, the widow of Milton Lauer, deceased.

Peter Henninger, the third son of Christian, was, upon the death of his father, reared at what is now known as Riegel's Mill, between Emaus and East Texas, by his grandfather, Peter Koehler. He was, on the 30th day of July, 1839, married to Salome Anna Marcks, by Rev. Jeremiah Schindel. Shortly thereafter he purchased a small farm in Upper Milford township, one mile beyond Emaus, on the road to Shimersville. He had learned the blacksmith trade with David Schall, at Trexlertown, as an apprentice. In course of time he erected a blacksmith shop on the homestead and carried on that trade there all his lifetime and up to within a few years of his death. He died in 1897, aged eighty-two years. He was known far and wide by the hobo fraternity for his hospitality. No beggar was ever turned away empty-handed from his door. To him it would have been considered a sin to do otherwise than to give shelter and food to these "weary wanderers."

The wife of Peter was a granddaughter of Conrad Marcks, mentioned in connection with

the Fries Rebellion against the "house tax," as it was then known, and the alien and sedition laws. Her father was Jacob Marcks, who was enlisted as a soldier and ranked as sergeant in Capt. Abraham Rinker's company in the War of 1812. She died, May 2, 1908, aged 86 years.

Peter Henninger reared a large family of whom only three are living: Martha Marcks, the wife of Edwin Marcks, foreman of the Donaldson Pipe Works at Emaus; Ambrose J., residing at Allentown, and Milton C., a practicing attorney-at-law at the bar of Lehigh county at Allentown.

Jacob, son of John Jacob and Catherine (Kimmel) Henninger, was born August 14, 1782, and died June 6, 1869. He was a farmer on the farm in South Whitehall township, now occupied by Samuel Kern. He was a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, in which he held various offices. He married Catherine Schantz, born March 6, 1789, died July 3, 1853. Children: Jonathan, of further mention; Tilghman, born 1823, died 1887; Elias, of further mention; Charles Reuben, born 1821, died 1883; Moses; Frank, of further mention; Sarah, married (first) Harrison Graul, (second) Christian Hausman.

Jonathan, son of Jacob and Catherine (Schantz) Henninger, was born Oct. 14, 1810, and died Feb. 4, 1884. He was a farmer near Myersville, having a tract of land originally the Schneck homestead. He married, 1832, Maria, only daughter of Daniel Schneck, and she was born July 19, 1815, died August 27, 1902. Children: Eliaz W., of further mention; Franklin J., of further mention; Sarah M., born Feb. 21, 1851; Kitty Ann, born Sept. 9, 1853; Moses P., born May 8, 1860; and several who died young.

Ephraim L., son of Jonathan and Maria (Schneck) Henninger, was born on the homestead, Oct. 6, 1840, and died January 12, 1901. He cultivated a farm of two hundred and fifty-seven acres, now owned by George Albright, on the public road from Allentown to Kutztown. About 1886 he erected a fine residence on this farm and retired from active responsibilities. He was a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, and in politics, a Democrat. He married (first) Mary Ann Jane, born Jan. 21, 1847, died Jan. 4, 1891, a daughter of Tilghman Weber; (second) Mantana Rex, now living near Fogelsville. Children by first marriage: Cora, married Oliver Stettler; Daisy, married Irwin Poe, of Trexlertown; Clinton E. T., of further mention; Katie, married Clinton Grammes, of Trexlertown. By the second marriage he had: Stella and Esther.

Clinton E. T., son of Ephraim L. and Mary

Ann Jane (Weber) Henninger, was born July 20, 1879. He attended the public schools and the Keystone State Normal School, and remained on the farm until sixteen years of age. He then learned the bakers' trade at Emaus, and followed this in several towns. In May, 1900, he removed to Allentown, and at the end of four years became the proprietor of the Myersville Hotel, in South Whitehall township. He is a member of the Lutheran Church at Mickley's, a strong Democrat, and has served a term of six years as director in this township. He is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Owls, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Henninger married, July 28, 1900, Hattie S., a daughter of Henry and Ida (Henninger) Albright, of Myersville. Children: Mildred J. I., born April 22, 1904; Aral Ephraim H., born August 20, 1908.

Elias, son of Jacob and Catherine (Schantz) Henninger, was born in 1815, and died in 1885. He succeeded his father in the homestead, and also built a house and barn on another farm he owned in the same township. He and his wife were members of the Jordan Lutheran church. He married Mary, a daughter of Solomon Rabenold, and had children: Amandes F., of further mention; Simon, a farmer in South Whitehall; Amanda, who married Dallas H. Reinhard.

Amandes F., son of Elias and Mary (Rabenold) Henninger, was born on the homestead in South Whitehall, April 6, 1842. His educational advantages were limited, and he was considered fortunate if he could attend free school twenty days in one term. He was, however, sent to an English school in New Jersey for two terms, and this was the limit of his schooling with the exception of what he acquired by actual experience in later years. About 1866 he became the proprietor of the hotel and fifty-acre farm at Walbert's Station, Lehigh county, and the following three years he conducted the hotel and cultivated the farm. He sold this property, and in 1869, removed to Allentown, where he now resides in a fine home at No. 241 North Seventh street, since the early seventies. He is connected with the Novelty Hosiery Company, and the Excelsior Knitting Machine Company, of Allentown, well known throughout the country. Mr. Henninger married, 1866, Anna, a daughter of Dr. Peter and Anna (Guth) Keiser, and they had one daughter, who died in infancy. Both are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, of Allentown.

Frank, son of Jacob and Catherine (Schantz) Henninger, was born on the Henninger homestead, October 18, 1830, and died April 26,

1908. His early life was the usual one of a farmer's son, and, in association with his brother, Tilghman, he cultivated the home farm until his removal to Hoffmansville. There he had a tract of eight acres and a comfortable home. He was deacon and elder in the Jordan Lutheran church for many years, and was a Democrat in politics. He married, Oct. 3, 1878, Sarah A., a daughter of Henry and Lydia (Hunsicker) Hausman, and had one son, who died in infancy.

Elias W., son of Jonathan and Maria (Schneck) Henninger, was born Oct. 27, 1844, and died Jan. 16, 1906. He was a farmer until 1892, when he retired. He had three farms adjoining each other in North Whitehall township. Mr. Henninger married, in 1870, Amanda M., a daughter of Michael Wotring, Jr., and had: Edwin L., who married Katie S. Guth; Sarah, died at the age of sixteen years; Ida C. Mr. Henninger was a member of the Lutheran Church, and his wife was a member of the Reformed Church.

Franklin J., son of Jonathan and Maria (Schneck) Henninger, was born Nov. 24, 1848. At the age of twenty-eight years he succeeded his father to the farm of one hundred and twenty-nine acres, and cultivated this until 1884, when he retired. The large brick house on this property was built by Jonathan Henninger in 1860, and the barn in 1846. Mr. Henninger was a deacon, and is now an elder in the Jordan Lutheran church. He married (first) Amanda M., born in 1858, died in 1885, a daughter of Abraham and Maria (Erdman) Mickley; (second) Maggie M. Wotring, born in 1858, died in 1890; (third) Arabella C. Sieger, born in 1873, died in 1898. Children by the first wife: Junie M., who married John Hunsicker, and lives in Allentown; Rosa N.

Captain John George, son of John Jacob and Catherine (Kimmel) Henninger, was born on the Henninger homestead, Dec. 1, 1793, and died August 11, 1880. He was a tailor by trade, but devoted the greater part of his time to farming. In 1812, he was employed to make clothing for the troops stationed at Baltimore, and at the close of the war resumed farming. In early life he became identified with the militia, serving eighteen years as captain of the infantry company of the Ruchsville Brigade. He was a strong advocate of the public schools system, a Democrat, and cast his first vote for James Monroe. He was active in church work. Captain Henninger married, on Whitsunday, 1823, Susanna Catherine, born Oct. 8, 1801, died March 7, 1884, a daughter of Daniel Guth, a native of Bucks county. Children: Josiah, of further mention; Zephania, born 1827, died 1901; Solo-







*A. F. Henninger*





*Anna S. Henninger.*





mon J., born 1829, died 1896; George, died in 1911; Edwin D., born 1838, died 1861; Briggitta, married Edwin Heilman, and lives in Allen town, Pennsylvania.

Josiah, son of Captain John George and Susanna Catherine (Guth) Henninger, was born Dec. 17, 1824, and died Oct. 1, 1898. He obtained a good education, and was occupied as a farmer until 1873, when he was elected steward of the almshouse, a position he filled with credit thirteen years, when he retired. He was an influential member of the Democratic party, served as school director many years, and later was secretary of the school board. He was a member of Macungie Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married, in 1847, Sarah, a daughter of John and Catherine Grim, and had children: William R., of further mention; Dora, married Edwin Bortz, of Allentown; Alvin, who died young; Sarah A., deceased; Oliver J., deceased.

William R., son of Josiah and Sarah (Grim) Henninger, was born on the homestead, July 8, 1848. He was educated in the township schools and the Millersville Normal School, and at the age of seventeen years engaged in teaching in his native township. He taught five consecutive terms, having been granted his permanent certificate at the end of the fourth term. Later he was appointed clerk in the county home, a position he held twelve years, and, although he was re-elected, he declined in favor of the office of warden of the county prison, to which he had been elected at the same time. He held this office until 1890, when he purchased a farm at Warminster, Bucks county, and followed truck farming ten years. He then sold his farm and returned to his native county, where he purchased the Harmony homestead at Myersville, where he still lives. Deeply interested in educational matters, Mr. Henninger has served as secretary of the school board, and during his administration, there were many fine school buildings erected. In political opinions he is a Democrat, and he and his family are members of the Stone church at Kreidersville, Northampton county. His fraternal affiliation is with Lehigh Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Mr. Henninger married, Nov. 20, 1870, Elizabeth, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Millhouse) Fenstermacher, of Lowhill. They have had children: Elmer W., who died unmarried, at the age of twenty-seven years; Robert J. D., a master mechanic in a large plant in Detroit, Michigan; A. Guy, commercial traveler for Bittner, Hunsicker & Company; Moulton D., organist at the Kreidersville church; Mae L., married Bertrand Olmstead, of Columbus,

Ohio, now lives in Washington, District of Columbia.

Charles Henninger was born in South Whitehall township, in December, 1825. He lived on the farm now in the possession of his son, Oscar L., until 1875, when he retired and removed to Eckerts, in the same township. The farm consists of one hundred and fifteen acres, and on it are the houses and barn built by John Roth, the former in 1843, the latter somewhat earlier. Mr. Henninger was a Democrat and served as school director and assessor of his township. He was a deacon, elder and trustee of the Lutheran church at Mickley's. He married Adaline, a daughter of John and (Resh) Roth, and they have had: Kate, married James Kemmerer; Rebecca, married R. Peter Steckel; Ida, married Henry Albright; Oscar L., of further mention; Frank, married Eva Bortz, of Allentown; Laura, married William J. Knerr, of Clausville; Edgar, married Carolina Wagner.

Oscar L., son of Charles and Adaline (Roth) Henninger, was born Feb. 2, 1863. His education was a liberal one, and was acquired in the public schools, Muhlenberg College, and the Allentown Business College, from which he was graduated in 1882. His early years were spent on the homestead farm, and he commenced cultivating this in 1885, and five years later purchased this valuable tract, which he greatly improved. In 1909 he set out a peach orchard of two hundred and fifty trees, and in the same year organized a milk route to Allentown, which is in daily operation. He is a strong supporter of the Democratic party, and has served as school director for a period of twelve years, during this time being in office as president, secretary and treasurer of the school board. He was township commissioner for two years during the construction of the Egypt pike, and was appointed township assessor, making triennial assessment. He is a member of the Lutheran church at Mickley's, has served as deacon, and has been one of the trustees for some years. Mr. Henninger married (first) Ida R., a daughter of George and Susanna (Schmoyer) Wenner; (second), 1891, Sevilla, a daughter of James and Lucy (Gangwere) Hammel, of South Whitehall township. Children by the first marriage: Beulah, married Cleon Dorney; Charles, married Alice Warmkessel; Mabel, married Earl Getz; Malcolm; Vena, now deceased, who married Lewis Wagner, and had: Effie and Marcus. Children by the second marriage: Adam J. and George D.

HON. MILTON C. HENNINGER was born at the old homestead about a mile beyond Emaus,

and after attending the public school he took a course at Freeland Seminary (now Ursinus College), at Collegeville. In 1870 he graduated at the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, and later, in 1874, he graduated at Muhlenberg College. He immediately thereafter became a student at law in the office of Hon. John D. Stiles and was admitted as a member of the Bar of Lehigh county on September 5, 1876. He has followed the profession of the law as an active practitioner ever since. He was elected district attorney for the county of Lehigh in the fall of 1877 and served for one term of three years from the first Monday of January, 1878, to the first Monday of January, 1881. During his term as



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district attorney he served before three judges, Hon. A. B. Longaker, Hon. Edward Harvey and Hon. Edwin Albright. After the expiration of his term of office as district attorney in the fall of 1882 he was elected state senator of Lehigh county; in the same year Hon. Robert E. Pattison was elected governor of Pennsylvania. He was a delegate to the Democratic state convention of that year which nominated Hon. Robert E. Pattison Democratic candidate for governor. He was thereafter re-elected state senator for two terms and served as state senator of Lehigh county from the first of December, 1882, to the first of December, 1894. In the spring primary election of 1912 he was a Democratic can-

didate for congress for the Berks-Lehigh counties congressional district. He received the second highest vote of the four candidates and was defeated by the Hon. John H. Rothermel by a plurality of four hundred and two votes out of a total vote cast of 12,481 votes.

In the profession of the law among his fellow-practitioners, he is recognized as an able and safe adviser, eminently versed in the details and intricacies of the law and ethical in his conduct. Politically he has always been a consistent Democrat. His partisanship, however, never interfered with serving the people as a whole, irrespective of party affiliations, honestly and to the best of his ability and without partiality. Notwithstanding his strenuous and active career in politics and the practice of the law, he has found some spare moments in the composition of Pennsylvania German poems. One of these, "Es Fahre in der Trehn," has been numerously quoted and copied in publications in that dialect.

In 1883 he was married to Mary Hausman, daughter of Hon. Boas Hausman, deceased, who was a member of the legislature in 1873. He has five daughters: M. Christine, Martha H., Louise A., Anna R. and Frances M., and one son, James Flynn. The oldest of these daughters, M. Christine, is married to Dr. George H. Rauch, who practices his profession at Noxen, Wyoming county, Pa. Anna is also married to J. Elmore Turrell, engaged in the lumbering business with Col. Harry C. Trexler, under the firm name of Trexler & Turrell, at Rickett's and Noxen, Pa. His son, James Flynn Henninger, is a second-year student in the law department of the University of Pennsylvania and will graduate for admission to the practice of the law in 1915.

The youngest son of Christian Henninger was Christian, who resided at Millerstown, now the borough of Macungie. He is now deceased. In his lifetime he was engaged in the business of iron ore mining in Lehigh county, when that industry Oliver S. and Morris, the latter of whom lives was in a flourishing condition. He had two sons, in Allentown and is engaged at the Allentown water works. The former, Oliver S. Henninger, now deceased, was a newspaper man all his lifetime, starting as a typesetter, and later he was the editor of the *Daily City Item*, of Allentown. His aptitude for entertainment as an after-dinner speaker is well known, not only in Allentown, but far and wide. His widow, Ella J., the daughter of Daniel G. Gerhart, survives.

#### HENRITZY FAMILY.

Heinrich Henritzy came to what is now known as Washington township, Lehigh county, from the "Dryland" near Easton, and settled



near Slatedale where he acquired a large acreage of land upon which Slatedale is now situated. His holdings extended up to the Blue Mountains and embraced a part of the rich slate belt. He had a brother named Christopher Henritzy, who was born August 18, 1787, and died unmarried, aged 78 years, 9 months, and 14 days; also a sister, Anna, born March 10, 1785, and died Oct. 15, 1859.

Heinrich Henritzy was born Apr. 28, 1783 and died July 29, 1848. His wife, Barbara Kunkel, was born Oct. 30, 1781 and died Jan. 23, 1842. They were members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg church, where they are also buried. Their children were: Conrad; John George; Stephen; Henry; Rachel, married to Nathan Hoffman; Elizabeth, married to a Tubbs; Hannah, married to Charles Kunkel; and one daughter who was married to Levi Walter.

Conrad Henritzy lived in Heidelberg township where he followed the occupation of farming. He had also learned the trade of weaving which he followed for some time. He was married to a Miss Fritzinger. They had only one daughter, who died at an early age, leaving two children.

Stephen Henritzy, lived at Slatedale and later moved to Whitehall. He was a tailor by trade. He had also learned the trade of weaving which he followed for some time. He was married to a Miss Fritzinger. They had only one daughter, who died at an early age, leaving two children.

Henry Henritzy lived at Slatedale on the old homestead where he followed the occupation of farming. He was born in 1818 and died in 1866. He was married to Rachael Handwerk, with whom he had the following children: Harrison, Sarah and Rosa.

John George Henritzy, grandfather of Dr. Oscar E. Henritzy, was born at Slatedale in 1810, and died in 1856. He lived near the mountains at Slatedale and was a tiller of the soil. He was married to Lydia Miller, a daughter of John Miller. She was born in 1814 and died in 1849. They had four children: Lewis, Sarah, wife of George Sholk; Jeremiah, who was a tailor in Allentown, and Joseph, who was a saddler near Slatington.

Lewis Henritzy, the oldest son of John George, was born Sept. 12, 1836. He learned the trade of a tailor at Germansville when he was sixteen years of age and followed his trade for many years at Weissport, Washington township, Lehigh Gap and Slatington, in all 50 years, and after moving to Slatington in 1862, where he has since resided, he served as school director. He and family are members of the Evangelical Church, in which church he has been a faithful worker for many years, having served

the church as a Steward, Trustee, Exhorter, and Superintendent of the Sunday-school, having missed only a few Sundays in the last fifty years, being still a teacher and regular attendant in his old age.

In 1858 he was married to Mary M. Kistler, daughter of John Kistler. She died on June 10, 1913, aged 80 years, 1 month and 14 days. The following children were born to them: Allawilda, James L., Martha L., Minnie J., Emma J., Dr. Oscar E., Carrie and the following who died in infancy; Moses, Asher and Robert.

OSCAR HENRITZY, M. D., was born Dec. 28, 1871, at Slatington, and was educated in the public schools of that town, graduating from the High School at an early age. After being employed in a drug store for two years, he entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, in which institution he graduated in 1892. In 1895 he entered the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, from which institution he graduated in 1898, afterward he was appointed resident physician of the Harrisburg City Hospital. In 1900 he started practicing at Slatington until Oct. 1, 1912, when he removed to Antrim, Pa., assuming charge of a mining town as physician and surgeon for the miners of the town of Antrim.

From 1903 to 1912 he held the office of health officer of Slatington. He was also the district examiner of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., for Slatington. He is a member of the following organizations: Slatington Motor Club, Slatington Lodge No. 440, F. & A. M., Slatington Royal Arch Chapter No. 292; Slatington Lodge No. 624, I. O. O. F.; Modern Woodmen of America, and the Lehigh County Medical Society. He was married June 16, 1902 to Mamie M. Hoffman, daughter of Owen and Amanda (Mosser) Hoffman. Mr. and Mrs. Henritzy have two children, Owen H. and Mildred M.

#### HERB FAMILY.

In 1790 Jacob Herp is recorded in the Federal census as the head of a family of seven persons, consisting of himself and wife, two sons—one above and one under sixteen years of age—and three daughters. The names of the daughters are not known, but the sons were Jacob and Abraham. Tradition says that Jacob Herp was of foreign birth, and that he and his brother Abraham came to the New World, locating in Berks county, Pa. Abraham settled in Hereford township, and died there in 1813, leaving 200 pounds in money for his wife Ann, who survived him, and a large estate in addition for his children: Peter Elizabeth, m. to Peter Hawk; Ann, m. to Henry Derr; Mary; and Sarah.

Jacob Herb, son of Jacob Herp, lived in Washington township, Berks county, and there died some years after the close of the Civil War, when nearly seventy years of age. His wife died long before him, and both are buried at Hill church. He was a laborer. His children were: Jacob, who lived in District township; Daniel, mentioned below; Abraham, who lived in District township; Samuel, who also lived in District township, and was killed in a stone quarry; and Mrs. Lewis Weiser.

Daniel Herb, son of Jacob, was a resident of Pike township. He was born Feb. 28, 1816, and died Sept. 8, 1879, and is buried at Hill church. His wife, Elizabeth Fraunheiser, was born April 2, 1817, and died Feb. 9, 1863. They had children, as follows: Daniel, deceased; Catharine, m. to Ismal Weller; John, deceased; Adam, deceased; Samuel, deceased; Henry F.; Nathan; Sarah; and Lizzie, deceased.

Adam F. Herb, son of Daniel, was born in Pike township, Berks county, May 12, 1844, and died in 1897, aged 53 years. He is buried at Hill church, of which he was a Lutheran member, serving it as deacon and elder. By trade he was a carpenter, but later farmed a 56-acre farm, now in possession of his widow. He had been elected as school director by the Republican party. His wife was Elizabeth, a daughter of Benjamin and Miss (Becker) Heydt, their issue being Sarah, married to David Heydt, of near Boyertown, Pa.; Henry H.; and Elmira, wife of Jacob Leshner, of Northampton, Pa.

DR. HENRY H. HERB, of Trexlertown, Lehigh county, is a son of Adam F., and was born in Pike township, Berks county, May 15, 1871. He graduated from the Keystone State Normal, Kutztown, in 1897, thereafter taking a post-graduate course in Perkiomen Seminary. In 1900, he registered at Medico-Chi College, Philadelphia, graduating therefrom in 1904. He then performed substitute work for Dr. W. F. Long, at Shamrock; for Dr. L. F. Wagner, the present coroner of Berks county; at the Berks county almshouse; and for Dr. L. H. Hain, at Shillington. From there he went and assisted Dr. George A. Weida, at Frederick, Montgomery county, who was serving as a member of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg. On April 20, 1905, he located at Breinigsville, removing to Trexlertown, Pa., March 12, 1907, where he built up a large practice. He is a member of Maxatawny Castle, No. 461, K. G. E.; Fogelsville Lodge of Odd Fellows; and the Lutheran Church. He was secretary of the St. Joseph Union Sunday school of Hill church for fifteen years. On Dec. 6, 1898, he married Ella L., a daughter of James W. and Laanda (Weidner)

Long, of Lobachsville, Pa., from which marriage there is no issue.

#### HERBER FAMILY.

Peter Herber settled in Weisenberg prior to 1750. He took an active part in the formation of the Weisenberg congregation, and was chosen the first elder on the Reformed side. Later, when the difficulty arose between the Reformed and Lutheran elements of the congregation which led to the building of the Lowhill church by the Reformed the Herbers remained with the Weisenberg congregation.

Peter Herber had a son Jacob, who lived in the vicinity of the Weisenberg church, and served it as a deacon and elder. He was married to Dorothea Sassaman, daughter of Jost Heinrich Sassamanhausen. He left a number of children, among whom were Heinrich, Anna Maria, Johannes, Jacob, Anna Kunigunda, Catharine, Andreas, John Philip.

John Philip Herber, the youngest son of Jacob his father's homestead near the Weisenberg Herber, was born Sept. 7, 1770. He obtained church, and there his children were born and reared. His wife was Catharine Hoffman, born in 1771 and died in 1852, and they had issue: John, Jacob, Heinrich, Daniel, Peter, John, Catharine Kraesley and Molly Ebert. Of these, Jacob, John, Peter and Daniel obtained the homestead, dividing it into four parts. John sold his part to his brother Jacob, and Peter sold his part to Benjamin Bittner. John Peter, Daniel and Catharine became very old.

Jacob Herber, the second son of J. Philip, was born June 1, 1796 and died Nov. 1, 1882. He married Christiana Kressly and they had five children: Jonas, 1825-1906; Frank P., Sarah, Lydia and Lucy.

Jonas Herber married Mary Gehringer, but they had no grown up children. They were farming people and are buried at the Weisenberg church, of which he was an elder. Frank P. Herber was born Feb. 1, 1835 and died Jan. 18, 1894. His wife was Sarah Hollenbach. He was a school teacher for many years. Their children were: Frank J., and Martha (wife of Chester Herber); Sarah married Samuel Lerch, of Kreidersville, Pa.; Lydia married Albert Guth; Lucy married Joseph Dengler and have one daughter, Mrs. H. Schaeffer.

Peter Herber, son of J. Philip, married a Shellhammer and their children were: George (of Alburtis); Rev. William (of Shamokin, Pa.); Edwin (of Allentown); Samuel; and Amos (who lives in Weisenberg).

John Herber, son of J. Philip, married Katie



Hentz, and they had two children: Elias and David, of Claussville, this county.

Daniel Herber, son of J. Philip, was born in 1808 in Weisenberg, where he followed farming. He was married to ——— Kressly, and died in 1889. Their children were: Israel (carpenter of Mattoon, Ill.); Levi; Lafayette; Nathan; Gideon; Fianna; Polly; Sallie; Mary; Amanda, and Amelia.

Nathan Herber, the fourth son of Daniel, was born Aug. 6, 1836. He is a farmer near the Weisenberg church, where he built himself a home and now occupies it. His wife was Abigail Sander, and they have seven children: Phaon F., Alfred J., Tevillia E., John P., Laura A., Tilghman F., and George D.

ALFRED J. HERBER, a veteran school teacher of Heidelberg township, was born near the Weisenberg church, Sept. 16, 1862. He was educated in the public schools; and before he was seventeen years old he attended the "Summer Normal School" at Lynnvile and later at New Tripoli. Alvin Rupp (still serving as the county superintendent) prepared him with many other young men for the profession of teaching. In the fall of 1879 he began his career as a teacher in his native township—Weisenberg, at a salary of \$24 per month, and the school term was then only four months. The following year he taught in the same township; the next four terms in Lowhill, and the following twenty-eight terms till now he has been an honored teacher in Heidelberg, where he has been teaching the Peter's school for twenty-six years. He has also been the superintendent of the Sunday-school at the same place for twenty years. He works upon his small farm during the summer months, being situated one mile east of Jordan, P. O., in Heidelberg. He and his family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Weisenberg church, which he served as a deacon and is now an elder of it. In 1911 he was elected as a Democrat to the office of assessor.

On Oct. 10, 1886, he married Amanda M. Sieger of Grimville, Pa., and they have fourteen children, eleven of them are still living, and three of them have already entered the teaching profession and have also taught in Heidelberg township. The following are the children: Henry J.; George F.; Emma T.; Robert D.; Walter N.; Cora L.; Oliver J.; Warren A.; Elmer C.; Howard T.; Helen E.; Florence M.; and Paul J. The eighth child died in infancy.

HENRY H. HERBST, M.D.

Dr. Henry Herbert Herbst, late of Allentown, for many years one of the best known physicians of the city and one of the very foremost citizens of

the community, was a descendant of a long line of distinguished ancestors. The family for centuries past had been seated in Altenberg, Musselwitz, Saxony, Germany, where they were active and prominent, the principal factors in the growth and improvement of the sections wherein they resided.

Dr. Frederick William Herbst, grandfather of Dr. H. Herbert Herbst, and of Senator E. M. Herbst, M.D., of Oley, Berks county, Pennsylvania, was born in Altenberg, Germany, Feb. 3, 1804; died in the year 1880. He emigrated to the United States in 1826, after obtaining an excellent literary education, and located in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and there under the guidance of a prominent physician, he began the study of medicine, continuing with him until his graduation from Jefferson Medical College. He located in the Oley Valley in the section now embraced in Pike township, Berks county, and there for forty years devoted himself to his profession. Not only did he become a leading physician, but he became a prominent public spirited citizen and one of the intellectual leaders of his community. The last two years of his life were spent in retirement. He was a Democrat in politics, and in 1861 was elected county treasurer. He married Catharine Schall, born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, April 20, 1799, died in 1882, daughter of David Schall. Children: 1. Captain George S., born in 1830; became the manager of the Rockland Iron Forge, and when the Civil War broke out, was one of the first to answer President Lincoln's call for men; he was mustered into service, April 23, 1861, becoming captain of Company D, Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; he contracted sickness while in service, and after a lingering illness passed away Dec. 26, 1865; in 1854 he married Violetta Maurer and they had one son, Dr. Edwin M., who is now serving his third term in the State Senate from Berks county. 2. William, of whom further.

Dr. William Herbst, son of Dr. Frederick William Herbst, was born in 1833, died in 1880. He was reared in Berks county, Pennsylvania, attended the schools in the neighborhood of his home, and later attended Williston Seminary in East Hampton, Massachusetts, remaining two years. At the age of eighteen years he began reading medicine with his father in Berks county, and later took a course at the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, graduating in 1855. He located at Trexlertown in the spring of 1855 and there built up a large and lucrative practice, being a foremost physician of the county until his death. He served for thirteen years as physician at the almshouse, filled the chair of botany at Muhlenberg Col-

lege for upwards of seven years, and was connected with the various local medical societies, serving as the secretary of the Lehigh County Medical Society for a number of years. He was a Lutheran in religion, a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Masonic fraternity. He married Elenora Schall, daughter of David and Mary (Rupp) Schall, representatives of families the members of which were prominent in the Revolutionary and Civil Wars of this country. Children: Henry Herbert, of whom further; Caroline E.

Dr. Henry Herbert Herbst, son of Dr. William Herbst, was born in Trexlertown, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, May 22, 1858, died Sept. 23, 1911. He pursued his collegiate preparations at Williston Seminary, and was a student at Muhlenberg College, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1878, receiving the degree of Master of Arts in due course. He then entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, was president of his class during the first year and class secretary the last year, and at his graduation in 1881 received honorable mention for a thesis upon the subject of "Alimentation." He was also one of the founders and its first president of the H. C. Wood Medical Society of the university. For a year after his graduation he was examining surgeon for the Pennsylvania Railroad at Wilmington, then returned to Allentown, where he was engaged in active practice until his death. In addition to his practice, which was both extensive and remunerative, he served as physician to the coroner; was city physician for the Poor Directors; president of the Board of Health from 1890 to 1895, and served on the United States Board of Pension Examiners from 1888 to 1897. He took an active interest in the Tuberculosis convention held in Allentown, and was largely responsible for the success of the project. He served at the Allentown Hospital, and was Professor of Physical Education at Muhlenberg College for fourteen years. He was the author of "Etiology of Diphtheria," "Physical Education," and "School Hygiene." He was a member of the American Academy of Medicine, president of the medical section of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and a first vice-president of the society when they met at Allentown, president of the Muhlenberg College Alumni Association.

Dr. Herbst was a member of the Board of Control from the Ninth ward for twenty years, and served as its president for nine years, and when he was elected first the board was Republican by two majority. He devoted considerable time to the interests of the public schools, and it can be truthfully said that he took a great

pride in the upbuilding of the public schools in the city of Allentown. He was the father of medical inspection in schools, having worked for it for five years before it was instituted. He was twice a Democratic candidate for the office of mayor of Allentown. In 1893 he was defeated by Hon. H. W. Allison, and in the primary election for the same office, June 23, 1908, he won out over Colonel S. D. Lehr, receiving 2,402 votes and his opponent 1,498. In the general election following he was unfortunate again, going down to defeat, Mayor Hunsicker winning by 4,863 votes to 4,578. When Mayor Harry G. Stiles died in office, Nov. 8, 1908, the Democrats in city councils turned to Dr. Herbst as their man for mayor and he was named at a caucus on the fourth ballot by twelve votes to ten for Colonel Lehr, N. E. Worman, Hon. H. E. Crilly and H. B. Schall had received one, two and one votes respectively on earlier ballots. At a meeting of city councils, Nov. 17, 1908, Dr. Herbst was elected mayor over E. M. Young, the Republican nominee, by a vote of twenty-two to fourteen. He administered the affairs of office with signal ability and credit, winning the approbation of his colleagues and constituents. He resigned from the Board of Control, of which he was president, to assume the duties of this office, and was later returned to that body.

Dr. Herbst stood high in Masonic circles, having attained the thirty-second degree. He was also a charter member and one of the first Board of Governors of the Livingston Club, and a member of the Clover Club.

Dr. Herbst married, in 1881, Annie A. Frill, of Reading, Pennsylvania, who survives him. Children: 1. Dr. William Frederick, graduated from Allentown high school, 1903, then entered Williston Seminary, from which he graduated in 1905, then entered the University of Pennsylvania, graduating from the medical department in 1910, now a successful practitioner, assuming charge of his father's practice. 2. Henry, who was killed in 1908 by an automobile at Jefferson and Hamilton streets, Allentown.

Dr. Herbst died Sept. 23, 1911, and his funeral was attended by many of the noted citizens of Allentown, also by noted physicians from Philadelphia and other cities of the eastern part of Pennsylvania. The school board met in special session on Friday evening, Sept. 23, 1911, and adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, Death has removed from our midst Dr. H. H. Herbst, who was a member of this board since 1891, with a slight interim, and served as president of the body for a number of years, and was intimately known by this body as a progressive school man, ever ready to give his time and attention to the interests of the





*A. Herbert Herbert*





schools. He was a man of conviction and principle, but ready to concede, when led to see that some other course was preferable. Before medical inspection of pupils was made compulsory, he was instrumental in having it introduced in the schools of this city, and gave his time and attention together with statistics showing the necessity of such a step.

"To his friends he was known as eminently loyal, ever ready to espouse their cause, if just, and they only can appreciate the loss sustained in the death of Dr. H. H. Herbst. Therefore, as a mark of respect, be it

"Resolved, That the members of the Board of Control attend the funeral in a body, and that the teachers of the city and friends of education be requested to meet at the Administration building and accompany them.

"Resolved, that these resolutions be entered upon the minutes of the board and published in our city papers and an engrossed copy of the same be presented to the family of the deceased."

#### GEORGE FREDERICK HERMAN.

Frederick Herman settled at an early day in Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county. He was married to Catherine Lutz. Of their children, Jacob Herman was married to Susan Frederick, and their children were: Jacob Tilghman; George Frederick, Daniel, Samuel, married Sarah A. Kern; Sallie Ann, married David Barnett; Catherine, married Owen Clewell; and Rebecca, who married Andrew Kreidler.

George Frederick Herman, son of Jacob and Susan (Frederick) Herman, was born Oct. 4, 1831, in Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county. He attended the public schools in his early boyhood and assisted his father on the farm. At the age of twenty-one years he learned the trade of miller. He established a steam mill at Hecktown, Northampton county, operating it for about five years. In 1865, he removed to Bethlehem, where he engaged in the grain business, continuing it for fifteen years. He served as sheriff of Northampton county one term; was appointed postmaster of Bethlehem in 1885, serving for three years, after which he retired from business. In 1902 he removed to Allentown. In politics, Mr. Herman was a Democrat; socially a member of Bethlehem Lodge, F. & A. M., and was affiliated with the Lutheran Church. He died in Allentown, Dec. 29, 1909, and interment was in Nisky Hill cemetery, Bethlehem.

George Frederick Herman married (first) Sarah A. Koehler, daughter of David and Lavina (Schortz) Koehler. Issue: Ascher W.; Mary J.; Emma C.; Susanna L.; and Ida M. Herman.

Ascher W. married (first) Ellen Reinich. Issue: George, Henry, and Lillie. Mary J., married to the late Dr. Thomas Cooper. Emma Catharine, married Paul Kampsmith. Issue: Frederick and Ralph Kampsmith.

Ida M. married George Riegel. Issue: Franklin, and an infant.

George Frederick Herman married (second) May 1, 1900, Araminta A. Roth, daughter of Jesse and Catherine (Gauff) Roth, of Kent Co., Md., and a sister of the late Jerry Roth (see Roth sketch elsewhere in these volumes). She was first married to Edward Riegel, of Lower Saucon township. She married (second) Dr. Charles C. Wagner, a leading physician of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mrs. Herman has traveled extensively throughout America, the continent of Africa, and Palestine, in Asia. She is a member of Christ Lutheran church and has been active in religious work in Allentown.

#### HERMANY FAMILY.

George Hermany, a native of Hanover, Germany, emigrated to Pennsylvania with his uncle, whose name is not known, and settled in Maxatawny township, now Kutztown, Berks county, where he remained until 1749, then went to Lynn township in Lehigh county. On March 6th of that year, he took out a warrant for 50 acres of land, a part of which is still owned by his descendants. This property is situated one mile north of Jacksonville, at the foot of the Blue Mountain. He built a log house close to a large spring, and the stone foundation walls of this spring are still intact. Afterwards he bought more land lying adjacent to the original tract, until he had a total of 255 acres. This property was deeded to George Hermany, by the sons of William Penn, and it is still in the family name. The time of birth and date of death of this pioneer are not known. It is the belief that he was buried near the log house he built and where he settled in 1749.

George Hermany had two sons, George, Jr., who emigrated to Ohio, and died there.—[Lehigh County History, 1884.]; and Philip, who was born October 10, 1759, and on December 25, 1787, he married Maria Catharine, a daughter of Frederick Steigerwald and his wife, Catharine, *nee* Henser, who was born in Albany township, Berks county on March 6, 1769.

Philip Hermany had twelve children, six sons and six daughters, all of whom were born in Lynn township. Their names were: (1) John George, the eldest son, was born December 8, 1788, married and moved to Trumbull county, Ohio, but had no children; (2) Daniel, the second son, was born February 10, 1792, married

a Miss Long, moved to Lockport, New York, and had seven children: Daniel, John, Lewis, Edwin, Mary, Sallie and ———; (3) Mary Catharine was born August 26, 1794, married Jacob Leiby and settled in the Dutch Valley in Columbia county, Pa. They had a large family; (4) Maria Magdalena was born April 6, 1797. She married Henry Long, and had nine children: Zacharias, Henry, Uriah, Thomas, Charles, James, Maria, Rebecca and Eliza; (5) John Hermany, the third son, was born June 24, 1799, and carried on the business of a merchant and hotel proprietor at Jacksonville. He farmed for about three years and then established the store and hotel which he conducted upwards of 25 years, having in that time been very enterprising and successful. He built the western part of the house; also, two other dwellings in the village, besides two barns. He was a chorister of the Jacksonville church and took a leading part in its affairs for many years. He died September 9, 1863. His wife was Salome Kistler, daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Bausch) Kistler, born February 17, 1810, and died January 27, 1851; and they had ten children: Didea (born 1831, m. Jonas Brobst, her husband having died), Samuel (b. 1833), Sallie (b. 1834, m. Reuben Kreitz, both deceased), Maria Anna (b. 1837, m. Moses Wuchter, both deceased), Edwin, Phaon (b. 1840, a practising physician at Mahanoy City), a daughter who died in infancy, Lydia J. (1844-1858), John (1846-1849), and Alice M. (1850-1851); (6) Rebecca was born October 26, 1801. She married Rev. Johan Zulich, whose history is mentioned in this volume; (7) Catharine was born July 11, 1804. She married Jonathan Smith, resided in Bucks county and had five children: Isaac, Jonathan, Alfred, Catharine and Lavina; (8) Samuel Hermany, the fourth son, was born March 28, 1807, and when of proper age was apprenticed to Solomon Wint to learn the carpenter and furniture trade, in which he became a very skillful workman. On Christmas Day, December 25, 1828, he married Salome, daughter of Christian Wannamaker, and his wife, Barbara Everett. She was born in West Penn township, Schuylkill county, Pa., May 24, 1807. Samuel Hermany bought his father's farm, built on it a large saw mill, which he successfully operated in connection with extensive farming in Lynn township. He was an enterprising citizen and an able mechanic. In 1853 he erected the present imposing, large double-porched brick dwelling-house on the farm now owned by Mr. Thomas G. Hermany. He also carried on a distillery on the farm now owned by L. Elmer

Hermany, his grandson. He died January 9, 1868, in his 61st year. His wife, Salome, died March 2, 1881, in her 74th year. They were buried in the cemetery at Jacksonville, and their children were: Charles, Edward, Elishu W., Lewis, Alice, Samuel, Amandas, and Sarah (m. Lewis E. Klingaman); (9) Isaac Hermany, the fifth son, was born November 7, 1809, he married a Miss Seiberling, and they had five children: Willoughby, Augustus, Mary, Hannah, and ———; (10) Philip, the sixth son, died in infancy; (11) a daughter; (12) a daughter.

Philip Hermany, son of the pioneer, bought his father's farm and lived upon it until his death, August 26, 1836, aged 76 years, 10 months and 6 days. His wife, Maria Catharine, died September 15, 1839, aged 70 years, 6 months and 9 days. They are buried in adjoining graves on the cemetery at Jacksonville.

EDWIN HERMANY, son of John, living at Lynnport, was born on the old homestead November 11, 1838, and there he was reared and began farming for himself in 1860. He purchased a 28-acre tract at the Jacksonville station, and lived there four years, having carried on the business of a drover. He next purchased the Jacob Wannamaker farm of 90 acres and farmed it for four years; then he sold the place and moved into a frame dwelling-house which he had erected at Lynnport (now owned by John Wuchter). After living there for six years and following the business of drover and huckster, he bought a farm of 55 acres and cultivated it for two years; then he secured a farm of 72 acres near Lynnport, which he operated for upwards of 25 years. In 1904 he moved again to Lynnport where he had bought a fine home; and since then he has lived there in retirement. He is a Democrat in politics, and served the township as a school director. He is a Reformed member of the Jacobs church and served all the church offices.

Mr. Hermany was married February 27, 1860, to Amanda L. Swoyer, daughter of Ephraim and Catharine (Smith) Swoyer, who died in Lynn township, aged 90 years. They had four children: John (an official of the Chicago and Western Indiana R. R. Co., with headquarters at Chicago), Mary (m. Jonathan Smith), living in the Kistler Valley, born November 1, 1867, and died September 2, 1906, and they had six children: Edwin, Lottie, Ella M., Robert W., Charles J., George, who died in childhood, and Thomas E.), Alfred (m. Leonora Shervill, in the State of Washington, where he is the



Traffic Passenger Agent of the Chicago and Rock Island R. R. Co.), and Robert (m. Clara Follweiler, he being the Auditor and Accountant for the Missouri, Kansas and Texas R. R. Co.).

CHARLES HERMANY was born in Lynn township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, on October 9, 1830. He was the oldest son of Samuel and Salome (Wannamacher) Hermany.

He received his early education in the public schools of his home town, where he developed a decided taste for mathematics, and having determined to adopt the profession of Civil Engineering as his life work, he entered Minerva Seminary at Easton, Pennsylvania, and was graduated in two years. Financial conditions prevented him from continuing his collegiate education, and for three years he taught school, at the same time continuing his studies in mathematics and in his chosen profession with a determination which characterized all his work in later life.

In May, 1853, he went West and found employment in the City Engineer's Department of Cleveland, Ohio. Here he was engaged for four years, gradually advancing to the position of First Assistant to the City Engineer (T. R. Scowden, M. Am. Soc. C. E.). When, in 1857, Mr. Scowden, as Chief Engineer of the Louisville Water Company, took charge of the construction of the water-works system in Louisville, Kentucky, Mr. Hermany went with him as his principal assistant, and in this capacity he served during the entire construction period until the works were completed and put in operation in October, 1860. On January 1st, 1861, he was appointed Chief Engineer and Superintendent of the water-works, which position he held continuously up to the time of his death, January 18, 1908.

The growth of the city soon proved that the works, as first constructed, were entirely inadequate, and this necessitated their general enlargement. To Mr. Hermany was assigned the duty of designing and constructing a new pumping station on the river bank, which would secure an abundant supply from the river, the stages of which varied more than 40 ft. between high and low water. The treacherous condition of the ground necessitated the sinking of a pneumatic caisson, in order to secure a firm foundation for the pump-house and the pumping engine, as well as to provide for an inlet chamber. The contract was let to an experienced and responsible firm, which, however, finding the work of a hazardous nature, refused to proceed with it. This condition obliged Mr. Hermany to prosecute the work by day labor, requiring his personal supervision and utmost skill for a number of years.

In this work he was successful, as he was also in the installation of pumping machinery designed principally by himself, which, at the time of its test run, attracted general attention because its high economic efficiency exceeded all known records. In addition to a betterment of the distribution system, he designed and constructed the Crescent Hill Reservoirs. His last great work was to design and construct the filter plant, including the covered clear-water basin and the high-service pumping station, with its equipment of pumping machinery.

Being extremely careful and prudent, Mr. Hermany conducted a series of exhaustive experiments, lasting more than a year, in order to determine the best method of treating the river water in the process of proposed purification. Very particular in all matters, he practically worked out every detail of all the work which he designed and constructed, the specifications which he prepared for his large pumping engine being an evidence of the minutiae to which he carried his work. As exacting as he was in these matters, so was he in his requirement of the fulfilment of every obligation on the part of contractors. Faithful to every duty, he insisted upon the same compliance from everyone else.

As an engineer Mr. Hermany was resourceful in every emergency, which enabled him to meet successfully any contingency, as he often had occasion to demonstrate, perhaps at no time so signally as when he promptly restored the works to service by converting the remnants of a tall stand-pipe into a great air chamber, after it had been demolished by a disastrous tornado which swept over Louisville in 1890.

These qualities, as well as his skill, attained for him an eminence in his profession which resulted in his counsel and advice being sought by the water departments of many cities throughout the country. He designed the water-works at Frankfort and at Bowling Green, Kentucky, and the pumping station at Evansville, Indiana. He also served, in different capacities, the water-works of Nashville, Memphis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Milwaukee, Providence, Chicago, and, finally, as Consulting Engineer during the construction of the new water-works of Cincinnati Ohio.

Mr. Hermany possessed administrative abilities to a very high degree, which he manifested in conducting the office of Superintendent of Water-Works for more than forty-seven years to the perfect satisfaction of the Water Board and of every water taker, the confidence and regard of all of whom he always possessed.

His reputation for honesty and integrity was ever proverbial, and though, at times, he was impatient and blunt when he suspected unfair-

ness or deceit (for he hated all sham and sordidness) he was at heart scrupulously just, as well as kind, generous, and thoughtful. Courteous and affable to everyone, he was deeply true and loyal to those who were privileged to be enumerated among his friends. The great affection and high esteem in which he was held by the members of his profession, his fellow-citizens, and his neighbors were shown by the great number who were present at the last sad rites, by the immense number of floral tributes under which the casket was buried, and in the last words which were spoken over his remains:

"To discover one's talents, to find one's place in the economy of the world, to put one's powers to the highest use in the service of one's fellowmen, is to merit the approbation of the Judge of all. This is what Mr. Charles Hermany did. He served this community with a faithfulness and devotion to duty that it would be difficult to equal and impossible to excell."

On December 19th, 1864, Mr. Hermany married Sallie Adams, only daughter of Daniel and Sophia (Perdue) Adams. Forty-three years of happy life followed this union, during which seven children blessed their home, three of whom, Irene H. (wife of Mr. Owen Gathright, of Louisville), Emily H. (wife of Mr. James P. Donahue, of Davenport, Iowa), and Madeline (an unmarried daughter), together with his wife, survive him. During the last nine years Mr. Hermany lost his three sons and his youngest daughter, Hetty May (wife of Mr. James L. Smyser, of Louisville). These losses were severe blows to him, from the effects of which he never fully recovered.

Mr. Hermany was a remarkably self-reliant man, and always exhibited a consciousness of faith in his judgment when once he had arrived at a conclusion. He was a constant reader, and was endowed with splendid intellectual gifts, possessing a mind which was quick to discern and independent in its deductions.

Mr. Hermany never held any political office, though he was always deeply interested in questions which affected the welfare of his country, state or city, and he did not hesitate to give expression to his views. He was a loyal member of the Unitarian Church of the Messiah, and, for thirty years was a member of its Board of Trustees. He was the first President of the Engineers' and Architects' Clubs of Louisville, and was re-elected for five consecutive terms.

On January 6th, 1869, Mr. Hermany was elected a Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers. In November, 1879, he was elected and served as a member of the Board of Direction and, in 1891, as Vice-President. In 1904, he was elected President of the Society,

and presided at the meetings of the International Engineering Congress, held in St. Louis during the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. During this Congress he was elected an Honorary Member of the Institution of Civil Engineers of Great Britain.

He was also a Member of the Franklin Institute, and of the American Water-Works Association, as well as of the Salmagundi and Filson Clubs, of Louisville, the leading literary organizations of that city.

Col. James T. Donahue, the husband of Emily A. Hermany, purchased a large tract of land at Colfax, Iowa, where the famous M. C. Mineral Springs are. He built a large concrete steel reinforced hotel, called the Hotel Colfax, and is developing the place as a health resort. He invested over \$500,000 in the enterprise and it is destined to become, in the near future, the Carlsbad of America.

Owen Gartright, of Louisville, Kentucky, husband of Irene Hermany, is engaged in the wholesale leather business, having one of the largest leather houses in the Middle West.

Edward Hermany, the second son of Samuel, was born on December 23, 1832, and attended the private and district schools of the day. He was apt and studious, learning with the greatest ease, being always first in class rank. During the winter months of 1846 to 1848 he attended Minerva Seminary at Easton, Pa., which ended his school education, and comprised only the courses of an ordinary English curriculum. From 1848 to 1854 he worked on his father's farm during the summer and during the winter taught school at Jacksonville; and from this time until 1865 he served as clerk and bookkeeper for various business firms at Tamaqua and Philadelphia. From 1865 to 1875 he taught school during the winter, and during the summer he worked on the farm. Afterwards, being of delicate health, he worked on the farm during the summer and spent the winter in reading and writing. He wrote a large volume of Pennsylvania German poems, which are as yet unpublished. He also contributed in prose and poetry in the English language to Philadelphia newspapers. He was very much interested in educational matters and served his native place with much zeal and ability. He was a member of the German Reformed denomination of Jacobs church of Jacksonville, and is buried on the family plot in the adjoining cemetery. He died on the 24th day of July, 1896, aged 63 years, 7 months, 1 day. He remained unmarried.

Elihu W., the third son of Samuel, was born Sept. 20, 1834, and he attended the public school of Jacksonville until seventeen years of age; also



the Allentown Academy for two terms. When of age he went to Cleveland, Ohio, and learned house and sign painting, and then worked in New York, St. Louis, New Orleans, Havana (Cuba), and other places. In 1862 he enlisted in the army, was a member of Col. Dur-yea's Fire Zouaves of New York, participated in the fight at Big Bethel, and in the Seven days' fight at Richmond; was wounded and taken prisoner at Savage Station, and confined in Libby prison, changed and taken to Fortress Monroe, where he recovered and returned home at the end of his enlistment. He died in the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kansas, on July 29, 1872, aged 57 years, 10 months, 9 days, and was brought home and buried in Jacksonville cemetery.

Samuel Hermany, son of Samuel, son of Philip, was born on the homestead in Lynn township, and there followed farming until his decease, excepting for a time when he was enlisted in the Civil War. The place then included 77 acres of clear land and 43 acres of woodland. He had taught public school for several terms and afterward served as a school director of the township for six years. In politics he was a Democrat.

Mr. Hermany was married to Susanna Zellner, daughter of William and Molly (Stahl) Zelner, and they had five children: Charles (in Carbon county), Thomas G. (on the homestead), Alfred (at Allentown), Milton (deceased), and Harry (at Allentown). He and his family were Reformed members of the Jacobs church, which he served as deacon, elder, trustee, and president of the church council.

Amandas Hermany, the sixth son of Samuel, was born at the old homestead on March 19th, 1841. He attended the public school of Jacksonville until sixteen years of age, then took a four months' course in a private normal school at New Columbus, Luzerne county, Pa., after which he taught school three terms in Lynn township. In 1868 he, in partnership with his brothers, Lewis and Samuel, bought their father's farm, which they successfully farmed until 1888. at the same time operating a large saw mill and lumber business, of which Amandas was the head manager. Later, he secured a farm of his own and now resides in Jacksonville.

In 1877 he married Susanna E. Creitz, a daughter of Samuel B. Creitz and his wife, Susanna (*nee* Follweiler), and they have three children, one son and two daughters.

The son, Albert S., was born Nov. 9, 1882, and when seventeen years of age went to Michigan to his uncle, John I. Creitz, where he

worked on a farm, then he returned home and married Minnie Hartman, daughter of Albert K. Hartman and his wife, Ellen (*nee* Kistler) and they have two children: Evelyn Evangiline (born Sept. 12, 1908), and Ellen Elizabeth (born Aug. 17, 1910). In 1909 he commenced farming for himself near Lynnport.

Jane Victoria Hermany was born April 7th, 1878, and graduated from the public schools of Lynn. On Nov. 12, 1899 she married John F. Seitzinger, of Reading, Berks county, who is employed in the Reading Car Shops, and they have one daughter, Alice May, born June 7th, 1907, died Jan. 14th, 1909, and buried in Jacksonville cemetery. Mrs. Seitzinger resides in Reading.

Ellen Salome Hermany was born Jan. 4th, 1891, and graduated from the public schools of Lynn. After teaching school for one term she attended the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown and was graduated June 21st, 1911. She is now engaged in teaching. On Nov. 4, 1911, she married Leon B. Klingaman, of Steinsville, Lynn township, a son of Jacob Klingaman and his wife, Josephina (*nee* Brobst). Her husband commenced teaching at seventeen years of age in Lynn, and graduated from the Keystone State Normal School. He is now a teacher in the High School at Womelsdorf, Pa.

LEWIS F. HERMANY, son of Samuel, served in the Civil War as Captain of Co. I, 176th Regiment, which was in service for nine months, from November, 1862, to August, 1863. His widow, Sarah Hermany, died on Monday morning March 3, 1913, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William F. Fetherolf, of general debility. She was 71 years and 1 month old. She was born at Slateville, Lynn township, on February 2, 1842, the daughter of the late David and Magdalena (*nee* Levan) Lutz. Since the death of her husband in 1888, she resided with the daughter at whose home she died. Surviving her are the following: William S., of Bethlehem; L. Elmer, of Jacksonville, Pa.; George P., of Easton, and Mrs. Annie L. Fetherolf, with whom she resided. She was confirmed a member of St. Jacob's Reformed Church at Jacksonville. Interment was made in the cemetery adjoining the church.

L. ELMER HERMANY, son of Lewis F., was born August 6, 1868. He worked for his parents upon the farm in Lynn, until he was of age. In 1889, he purchased 51 acres of the old homestead from his mother and this he retained until 1905, when he resold it to his mother, but he continues to reside on this farm and cultivates it. In 1905 he purchased 111

acres of woodland, a part of the homestead; and in 1906 he purchased the Samuel R. Oswald farm consisting of 92 acres of land, including some woodland. He is a Democrat.

Mr. Hermany was married on February 21, 1890, to Amanda E. Oswald, daughter of Solomon Oswald. They are members of the Reformed congregation of the church at Jacksonville, which he served as deacon; also as janitor. They had seven children: Solomon L. (who graduated from the State Normal School at Kutztown, and is a school teacher in Lynn township since 1909); Charles E. (a student at the Keystone State Normal School); Robert A.; Anna A.; George W. (who died aged three years); Edwin J., and Milton S.

THOMAS G. HERMANY, son of Samuel, son of Samuel, who owns and occupies the homestead of the family, was born there September 19, 1877, and there he was reared upon the farm, working faithfully for his parents, and there he spent all of his life, excepting one year while working at Allentown. He began farming for himself in 1907, and bought the place in 1909.

Mr. Hermany is a Democrat in politics, and a member of the Reformed congregation at the Jacobs church, which he served as a deacon; and he has affiliated with the Washington Camp, P. O. S. of A., at Steinsville. He was married on October 13, 1901, to Bertha Dennenhower, daughter of Willoughby and Rosa (Reinhard) Dennenhower, of Maxatawny township, in Berks county, and they have two children: George Thomas and Madeline Susanna.

#### HERRITY FAMILY.

The Herrity family of Lehigh county trace their history to Patrick and Mary (Curran) Herrity, of Cullahan county, Donegal, Ireland. Patrick Herrity was a farmer. They had six children, four of whom located in America as follows: Mary, married a Mr. Case, of West Chester; James located at Bristol; Edward, located at Coplay, and Dennis located at Allentown.

Dennis Herrity came to America in 1850, and settled in Allentown, where he still resides. For a number of years he was an iron worker, but now lives retired. He was married to Margaret Gallagher, who died in April, 1911. They had the following children: Mary; Patrick E.; Joseph; Dennis; Annie; Margaret; Thomas F.; Catharine; Edward; James, and Hugh.

PATRICK E. HERRITY, former chief of police and senior member of the firm of Herrity Brothers, retail grocers, was born in Allentown, February 7, 1867. His early education he received in the public schools of Allentown. At an

early age he started to work in the silk mills and followed the trade of silk ribbon weaver in Allentown and Bethlehem for five years. In April, 1891, he engaged in the grocery business at 601 Ridge avenue. This store he conducted with increased success until in the fall of 1899 when he and his brother Thomas F., formed a partnership under the name of Herrity Brothers, and moved their store to the corner of Ridge Avenue and Gordon Street. At the present time they are operating a chain of five stores in Allentown.

Mr. Herrity is one of the prominent citizens of Allentown. Politically he is an independent voter, having filled the position of select councilman of the Sixth ward for six years. He resigned this office to accept the position of chief of police under the administration of Mayor Fred. E. Lewis. He filled this high office with great efficiency and marked ability and to the approval of his fellow citizens.

He is a member of the Board of Public Charities since its organization and is the representative of the First District, comprising the First, Sixth and Fourteenth wards. He was the leading spirit in the organization of the Young Men's Temperance Society connected with the Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception, having been its first president and an indefatigable worker in its success.

Mr. Herrity is prominently identified with the Knights of Columbus, serving it as lecturer of the council for two years. He is also actively identified with the Hibernia Fire Company of which he was president in 1888. In 1912 he was one of the leading spirits in the organization of the Ridge Avenue Bank.

On October 11, 1906, he was married to Catharine Barry, daughter of John and Margaret (Hanlon) Barry. To them the following children were born: Andrew, Thomas, Margaret, and Charles.

THOMAS F. HERRITY, of the firm of Herrity Bros., was born September 1, 1879. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown and the American Commercial school. When twelve years of age he started to work in the silk mills later also working in the thread mill. Upon the appointment of his brother Patrick E. to the office of Chief of Police, Thomas F. became the manager of his brother's store on Ridge avenue and in 1899 formed a partnership with him under the name of Herrity Brothers.

Mr. Herrity is an independent voter, member of the Knights of Columbus and the Allentown Aerie 110, F. O. E. On September 14, 1909, he was married to Alice Boyle, daughter of Ed-



ward Boyle, of Hazleton, Pa. They have a son, Joseph, and a daughter Mary.

# HERTZ FAMILY.

Conrad, David, Peter, and Andreas Hertz, brothers and natives of Hessen, Germany, were the ancestors of the American Hertz families. Conrad located in Robeson township, David and Peter settled in Breckneck township, Berks county, Pa. The federal census report of 1790 records each as the head of a family. Conrad had four sons, and two daughters; David had three sons and three daughters and Peter had only four daughters.

Andreas Hertz crossed the ocean on the ship *Dragon* which landed at Philadelphia, Oct. 17, 1749. The name of Andreas Hertz and wife Catharine, appear among the list of communicant members of the "Blue Church" in May, 1750; also on the tax list of Allentown in 1768. In 1790 "Andrew Herts" was a taxable in Northampton county and had two sons less than sixteen years old and one daughter.

Peter Hertz, son of Andreas, was for many years a resident of Allentown. He was a member of the Reformed church, and his wife, Catharine Barbara belonged to the Lutheran church. She was born in 1752 and died of old age at Allentown, on Oct. 30, 1835, in her 83d year. She was married fifty-four years and left eighty-one grandchildren, sixty-nine great grandchildren. Among their children were:

Catharine Barbara, born Oct. 20, 1771.

John Jacob, born April 17, 1773.

Christina, born Oct. 30, 1774.

John Peter, born April 1, 1780.

John George, born March 9, 1792.

David, born Sept. 6, 1793.

The sponsors of John Jacob were John Jacob Kleder and Christina Hertz.

Jacob Hertz, son of John George, was born in 1816 in Berks county. He lived in Oley township, Berks county, until 1849, when he and a brother David, moved to Bonfield, Kankakee county, Ill. There he followed farming until his death, in 1861. He was a member of the Evangelical church. His first wife was Mary N., a daughter of Peter Hangen, who was born in November, 1818, and died in August, 1847. She is buried at the Evangelical church in Upper Milford township. Their children were Obadiah and Jacob. He was married second to a Miss Schreffler and they had Joseph, Peter, Daniel, and Regina.

Obadiah Hertz, son of Jacob, was born at Friedensburg, Berks county, Feb. 10, 1846. His early youth was spent upon the farm with his grandfather, Peter Hangen, in Upper Milford

township, Lehigh county; when but eight years old he came with the grandfather and his aunt, Susan Hangen, to Allentown, where Obadiah lived until 1863 at which time he located at Iron Hill, in Lower Saucon township, where he learned the stone-cutting trade.

On Dec. 25, 1867, he married Amanda Stout, daughter of William and Catharine (Gruber) Stoudt, of Maxatawny township, Berks county. In 1869 they came to Allentown where they since reside and he follows his trade. He was employed first by Schweyer and Wieder and later by W. J. Wieder. Their children follow: 1. Mella R., married Rev. W. J. Edelman, a minister of the East Pa. Conference of the United Evangelical church. 2. Catharine M., married to Mr. Walter C. Lotte, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume. 3. Dr. William J., whose history follows. 4. Charles, who died Aug. 24, 1884, aged eight months. Amanda Stout Hertz died Dec. 14, 1911.

Rev. Daniel Hertz lived at Ephrata, Lancaster county, Pa., had three sons, who were doctors, viz.: D. Ehine, Dr. Silas, and Elam A.

David Hertz lived in Harrisburg, Pa., and among others had David, Mrs. Eve Neyer, and Miss Kate Hertz.

Henry Hertz lived at Milton and had children as follows: George H., the father of Dr. William H., of Hazleton, Pa.; Isaac; Mrs. Elizabeth Pierce; Mrs. Sue Fegley; Mrs. Mary Angstadt; Mrs. Kate Pierce; and Daniel Hertz.

Samuel Hertz lived and died at Pottsville, Pa., no further records.

Mrs. Catharine Geisenwhite lived at Harrisburg and had Mary and Sarah.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ettla lived at Harrisburg and had a son, Samuel, and a daughter, Mrs. Knor.

MILTON, PA., Sept. 20, 1899.

Dr. W. H. Hertz,

Hazleton, Pa.;

"DEAR COUSIN: Yours came to hand yesterday inquiring about our family and how many brothers my father had: there were four brothers and two sisters. Your grandfather, Henry; and Daniel, who lived at Ephrata, Lancaster county, a minister; my father David lived and died at Harrisburg; and Samuel, who lived at Pottsville, Schuylkill county. The two sisters were Catherine Geisewhite and Elizabeth Ettla, all have passed away. There were more brothers of our grandfather who came to this country. I often heard father talk about cousins in Berks county about forty-eight years ago. Two of them emigrated to Illinois and they stopped at my father's to rest their horses several days and came to town. I was then living in Harrisburg and they called to see me. One's name was John and the other David. They located near Chicago. They had children, boys and girls, one of them wrote to me about ten years after, that I should come out there, that there was the place to make money but I did

not go and I have not heard anything from any of them since.

My love to you all, I hope this will find you all well.

"Your cousin,  
DAVID HERTZ.

"HAZLETON, Pa., Sept. 21, 1899.

*Dr. William J. Hertz,  
Allentown, Pa.:*

"DEAR COUSIN: I will call you that, for I think you are. Well, I showed your letter to my wife and at her suggestion I wrote to my father's first cousin at Milton, Pa., he being the oldest living Hertz we knew, now about eighty years old. My father and mother are dead; mother died last spring. Father two years before her. I send you an exact copy of cousin David's letter, because it gives me more information than I ever knew before about my family history. He evidently made a mistake in the name, no doubt it was (John) Jacob, they evidently must be the two and the same persons for he describes their journey. I did not mention anything about the Illinois parties to him. He gave me this all from his memory. I simply told him you wanted to hunt up your family history. I will classify them as far as I can for you. My brother John lives at Easton with my two sisters at 111 South Fourth street. I hope with this information you will be able to place our history in order.

"I would be glad to see you at any time.

"Your cousin,  
WM. H. HERTZ, D.D.S.

DR. WILLIAM J. HERTZ, a successful practicing physician, was born in Allentown, Nov. 3, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, after which he studied pharmacy with the late E. J. Danowsky. After several years of this work he entered the medical department of the Medico-Chirurgical College at Philadelphia, from which institution he received his degree in May, 1898. After his graduation he became the resident physician at the Robert Packer Hospital, at Sayre, Pa., of which the late Dr. Charles H. Ott, was superintendent and surgeon. At the end of his year of service he located in his native city, opening his office temporarily at 407 North Second street. From here he moved to 448 North Second street, conducting his office in connection with the Gem pharmacy in which he was interested. His growing practice caused him to relinquish the management of the drug store after about six months and he established himself at 502 North Second street, where he remained until November, 1912, when he moved to his present location at 125 North Eighth street. While conducting his extensive practice he had as his assistant for six years Dr. J. Fred Wagner, and later Dr. W. C. Troxell, the latter succeeding Dr. Hertz in the Second street office.

In 1907 and 1908 he went to Europe, the latter year accompanied by his bride, who before

her marriage was Miss Anna S. Schaeffer, the daughter of James Schaeffer, an enterprising farmer of Kutztown, (whose sketch appears in this publication), and they have two children, Charles S., and Isabelle A. S. He is an active member of Zion United Brethren church, of Allentown, and has served it as a trustee for a number of years. In addition to his post-graduate work in Europe, he took similar work at the Polyclinic hospital in Philadelphia, devoting considerable time to the eye, ear, nose, and throat.

Dr. Hertz was one of the organizers of the Ridge Avenue Deposit Bank, in Allentown, in 1911, becoming the president of the board of directors, which position he has filled with great success.

Dr. Hertz has become affiliated with the following social and fraternal organizations: Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. and A. M.; Lehigh Lodge No. 83, I. O. O. F.; Knights of Mystic Chain, Alton Castle No. 145; Liberty Chamber No. 45, Knights of Friendship; Allentown Camp No. 6434, Modern Woodmen of America; Allentown Lodge No. 129, L. O. O. M.; Allentown Aerie, No. 110, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

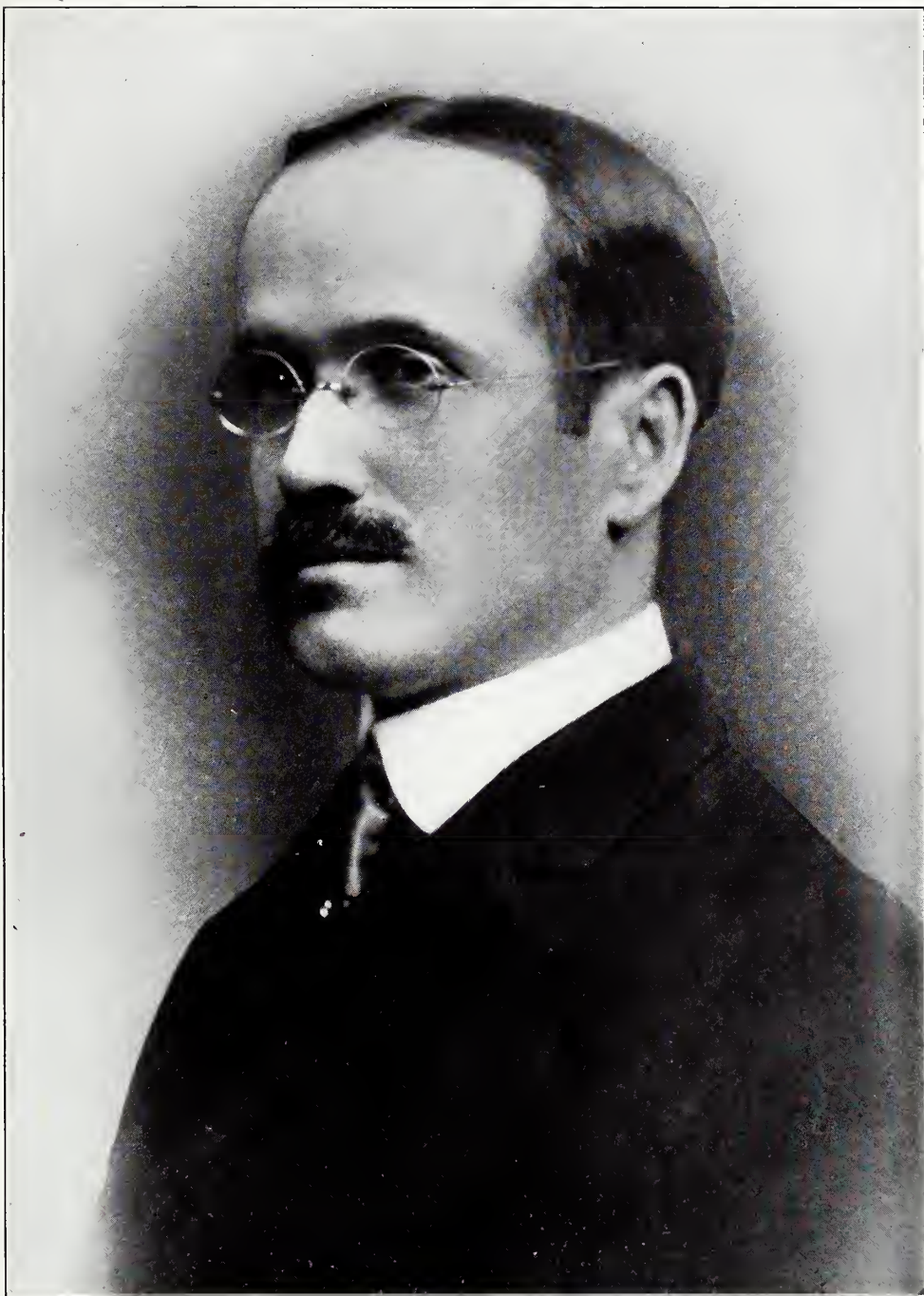
In 1913 Dr. Hertz was honored by an election as president of the Lehigh County Medical association and in many ways he has labored for the welfare of his community in which he is an esteemed citizen.

#### HERTZOG FAMILY.

Philip Hertzog, of Germany, emigrated to America on the ship *Robert and Alice*, which landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 11, 1738. He settled at the present village of Zionsville, Lehigh county, Pa., where a warrant dated Sept. 11, 1751, was granted to him for 102 acres of land. On these premises the lower part of Zionsville and the Reformed Church are located. The farm is also now divided into many smaller tracts. In 1762, this pioneer was assessed sixteen pounds tax in Upper Milford township. He died about 1785, and was survived by a number of children, among whom were one daughter, Christina, who married Wendel Wieand, born 1757, and three sons: Paul, Theobald and Philip. The three sons had served their country in the Revolutionary War, having been enlisted from Northampton county. Philip Hertzog was the lieutenant of the Fifth Company, Associators and Militia, of which Peter Kookan was the captain.

Philip Hertzog, grandson of the pioneer, was a farmer of Perryville, where he owned about 100 acres of excellent land. He was born July 4, 1777, and died April 4, 1855, and is buried at Huff's Church. He married a Miss Bittenbender, born May 6, 1782, died Dec. 16, 1869.





Wm J. Hertz.





Their children were: John, settled in Greenwich township; David, a farmer in Rockland township; Jacob, also a farmer in Rockland township; Solomon, a miller in Hereford township; Philip; and Catharine, wife of Samuel Landis.

Philip Hertzog, son of Philip, was born Nov. 27, 1805, and died Sept. 7, 1844, and is buried at Huff's Church. He was a farmer and blacksmith, owning a good farm of about 100 acres near Perryville. He was also engaged in burning rye whiskey, and was very successful in his work. He married Mary Rauch, born Feb. 22, 1807, died Jan. 29, 1849, daughter of David Rauch, of Hereford. Five children blessed this union: Mary, died unmarried; Catharine, married Thomas Bierman, of Philadelphia; Susan, m. John Hoover, of Pottstown, Pa.; Betzy, m. Charles Long, of Pottstown; and William R.

John Hertzog, son of Philip, was born in Hereford township, Berks county. He settled in Greenwich township, near Grimville, on a farm which passed to Peter Kline, a son-in-law; and after the latter had died it was bought by Benjamin Heffner, a son-in-law of Mr. Kline. Mr. Hertzog died about 1877, aged 70 years. He was married to Rachel Rauch. They are both buried on the Grimville Church cemetery. John Hertzog had been an elder of the Reformed congregation of that church for many years. Their children were: William; Mary, married to Peter Kline; Charles, married to Maria Schuman; and Elvina, married to Lewis Behler, of Greenwich, who occupies the homestead of the long deceased William J. Dietrich, Sr.

Charles Hertzog, son of John, was born Sept. 22, 1845, on the homestead in Greenwich township, Berks county. He was a carpenter by trade and came to Allentown in September, 1867. There he had lived continuously except five years, during which he lived in Kutztown and at the Round Top (Spitzenberg) in Greenwich township. He died at Allentown, Sept. 16, 1901, and was buried on his fifty-sixth birthday.

On Jan. 7, 1866, he was married to Maria Schuman, a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Dunkel) Schuman, and granddaughter of John and Susanna Schuman, of Round Top. Five children are born unto them, as follows: M. Alice, died in infancy; Adam A., history follows; Harvey, a baker of Allentown; Harry, died in infancy; and Thomas S., married to Mamie Gehris. They live at Allentown.

ADAM A. HERTZOG, of Allentown, Pa., was born July 22, 1868, in the city where he now resides. After his education in the common schools, he learned the wheelwright trade with Wolt & Haymaker. Afterwards for a period of five years he was employed by A. N. Wilt; and

for seven years with H. B. Sheldon. In 1900, he formed a partnership with C. B. Daubenspeck. This firm existed for seven years and were carpenters and building contractors. After the dissolution of the firm, in 1907, Mr. Hertzog continued the business alone up to the present time. Among some of the buildings erected were the St. Paul's Lutheran church, Dubbs Memorial church, the First Baptist church, at Sixth and Chew streets; the residence of Charles Kline, at Hamilton and Madison streets; and the Knabb's Drug Store, at Third and Hamilton streets, all located in Allentown. Besides the carpentering and contracting business, Mr. Hertzog has control of the sale of the *Uranium Water*, which is said to possess great value for medicinal purposes. He has charge of the territory to the east of the Mississippi river.

He and family reside at No. 1236 Hamilton street. They are members of the St. Paul's Lutheran church, which he has served as a deacon. Socially he has membership in the P. O. S. of A.; and the J. O. A. M. In politics he is a Democrat.

On Dec. 25, 1889, he was married to Ellen C. Bogert, daughter of William and Sally (Bailey) Bogert, of Allentown. They have the following children: Eva, Gertrude, Arthur and Robert. Lillian, Minnie and Adam, Jr., are deceased, having died in infancy. The eldest child, Eva, was married Dec. 30, 1913, to Paul Renner, of Allentown, an inspector of electrical work.

John Hertzog, a grandson of the pioneer, was born in Pike township, Berks county, August 8, 1798, and died in Longswamp township, Jan. 3, 1874. He was a prosperous farmer, and a valuable iron ore bed was discovered upon his 100-acre farm. He was buried at the Longswamp Church, of which he was a member of the Reformed congregation. His wife, Elizabeth Gregory, was born July 8, 1799, died Nov. 24, 1858. They had the following children: Levi; John; Richard; Daniel; Jacob; Mary, married to David Geist, who lived upon part of the Hertzog homestead; and Fianna, married to Charles Frey. They moved to Missouri.

Levi Hertzog, son of John, was born in 1822, and died in Lehigh county in 1901. He is buried at the Longswamp Church. He had two farms in Longswamp township, where he spent a part of his later life. He was one of the staunch supporters of the free school system in his locality and seen to it that his children were given an education. In 1850, he married Rebecca Fenstermacher. Their children were: John; Levi; Benneville; Dr. William; Sallie; Jonathan; Dr. C. Frank; and Moses.

Levi Hertzog, son of Levi, was born at Mertztown, Pa., April 28, 1853. He was reared upon the farm and at a suitable age learned the milling trade at "Wagner's Mill," Berks county. After following the milling trade some years, he farmed until his health began to fail, when he moved to Allentown; there he became a teamster for the Trexler Lumber Company, having been a farmer on the E. W. Trexler farm before coming to Allentown. He now lives retired at 429 Allen street, Allentown.

He became a confirmed member of the Reformed wing of the Longswamp Union church when a young man; is now a member of St. Andrew's Reformed church, Allentown.

In 1875, he was married to Elenora C. Newhard, daughter of Marvin C. and Matilda (Hoover) Newhard. Their children follow: 1. Marquis E. 2. Martha M., married to O. F. Trexler. 3. Emma, died in infancy. 4. Laura, married to David Evans. Levi, a shoemaker. 6. William Franklin. 7. Meda, who is a trained nurse.

MARQUIS EUGENE HERTZOG, son of Levi and Elenora C. (Newhard) Hertzog, was born in Allentown, December 19, 1875. He was educated in the public schools and worked upon the farm at Fogelsville. At the age of eighteen years he became an apprentice to the machinist trade at the Allentown Foundry and Machine Company, where he was employed five years. Afterwards for eleven years he was the directing engineer for L. F. Grammas & Sons; was chief engineer for two years with the Arbogast & Bastian Company for two years; was employed by the Allentown Rolling Mill for about one year; and on Oct. 1, 1913, he entered into a co-partnership with Henry L. Guth, under the firm name of Hertzog & Guth. They are engineers and machinists and are located at No. 42 South Ninth street, Allentown.

On April 19, 1902, he was married to Elenora R. Knoll, a daughter of Willoughby and Lydia (Heilman) Knoll, a farmer of Berks county, Pa., who had the following children: 1. Mary, married to Irwin W. Leiss. They have Beulah, Bessie, Paul and Mabel. 2. Reily. 3. Mabel, married W. H. Troxell. They have a daughter, Naomi. 4. Charles. 5. Elenora R. All the children of Willoughby Knoll live in Allentown.

WILLIAM FRANKLIN HERTZOG, the fifth child of Levi and Eleanora C. (Newhard) Hertzog, was born in Upper Milford township, July 18, 1887. At the age of eighteen years he began the machinist apprenticeship with F. L. Grammes & Sons, and he has ever since followed that

trade in Allentown where he resides at 828½ Allen street.

Socially he has membership in the following lodges: Allen Camp, No. 6, Sons of Veterans; Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; Phil Sheridan Council, No. 287; and the Reformed Church.

On April 13, 1906, he was married to Clara S. Schaffer, and they have three children, namely: Paul S.; Roland L.; and Warren R.

Mrs. Hertzog is a daughter of Charles and Susanna (Shiffert) Schaffer, formerly of Vera Cruz. Mr. Schaffer had been a farmer and later a contractor. They had eleven children, viz: Sallie; Kate; Ellen J.; Clara S.; Edgar C.; Howard H.; Elmer H.; and Helen M. Three died in infancy.

HARVEY J. HERTZOG, of Emaus, was born Oct. 9, 1866, near Alburdis, son of David A. and Lydia (Schiffert) Hertzog. There he was reared and attended the public schools. He became an employee of the Thomas Iron Company, at Alburdis, and was continuously employed by them as engineer for seventeen years. In 1900, he entered the employ of the P. & R. Railroad as flagman, then was promoted to conductor on a freight train, which position he since serves.

He was married to Ellen C. Keck, a daughter of Charles and Sarah Keck. They have the following children: 1. Gladys; 2. Russell, married to Laura Derr, (daughter of Samuel Derr, of Emaus), and they have three children, viz: Hattie, Carl and Paul Hertzog. Mr. Harvey J. Hertzog and his family are members of the Evangelical Church at Emaus.

#### HESS FAMILY.

The Hess family played an important part in the early history and development of the country, and research shows that representatives of the family now living in our midst are descended from at least three distinct families of this name, between whom no relationship is known to have existed. These three pioneers were John Nicholas Hess, from Zweibrucken, Germany, who settled in Springfield township, Bucks county; Frederick Hess, who settled in what is now Lynn township, Lehigh county; and Conrad Hess, an early settler in Mount Bethel township, Northampton county. All three were men of prominence in their respective communities, and reared large families.

Conrad Hess was appointed one of the Justices of Northampton county under the Crown, June 9, 1752, and was Prothonotary and Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer from 1760 to 1771. His will was dated



July 5, 1773, and at that time he was a resident of New Britain township, Bucks county. The witnesses were Jacob Ratzel (? Hartzel) and George Scholl, and the will was probated at Easton, Jan. 6, 1797. Conrad Hess had ten children: William, Christian, Jeremiah, Frederick, John, Henry Conrad, Maria, (m. Jacob Gratz, Jr.), Elizabeth, (m. Jacob Keiler), and Ann, (m. Tobias Scholl).

William Hess the eldest son of Conrad, took an active part in the struggle of the Colonies for independence. He was a resident of Mt. Bethel township, Northampton county, and in later life removed to Northumberland county, where he died. William Hess and his wife Anna Catharine had nine children: Anna, George, Andrew, Paul, Jacob, Tobias, Abraham, William H., and Elizabeth, (m. Siegel Kohl).

Abraham Hess son of William, was born April 18, 1781. The facts seem to indicate that he was the Abraham Hess who married Sarah, daughter of Isaac Reimer of Mt. Bethel township, and removed to Moore township, Northampton county. In the fall of the year 1802, Abraham Hess, then only a little over 21 years old, left on horseback to visit relatives in New York state, after making all necessary preparations for the comfort of his family during his absence, and was never heard from again. His children were: Mathias, William, and Anna Maria C., (She was born April 30, 1803, never having seen her father, and for 39 years was the wife of David Rohn of Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county).

William Hess was born May 10, 1801, and died Aug. 8, 1858. His wife, Elizabeth S., was a daughter of John Laub of Moore township, b. Sept. 13, 1805 and d. Feb. 13, 1875. He and his wife are buried at Zions Stone Church near Kreidersville. They had the following children: Stephen, John, Abraham, Samuel, William, Mary A., (m. Henry Beil), Julia Ann, (m. Levi Silfies), Rebecca, (m. Thomas Halliwell), Carolina, (m. James W. Hapter), Sarah, and Anna Eliza.

Stephen Hess was a farmer at Kreidersville, Pa. His wife, Eliza, was a daughter of Ferdinand and Maria Woodring, and although blind, she is still living. Their children are: Theodore, Frank, Amandes, Tilghman, Stephen and William, (twins), George, Levi, Thomas, and Mantana the wife of Milton Person.

Theodore Hess the oldest son of his father, was born in 1848. He was a farmer and later a mail carrier. His present home is at Siegfried, Pa. He married Sadie Lerch, a daughter of Thomas and Hannah Lerch, and their children are as follows: Frank L., Palmer A., Elmer, de-

ceased, Lula O. (m. Martin L. Haller), Eliza C. (m. Charles H. Beck), and Hattie.

FRANK L. HESS is a butcher at Schoenersville. He was born in Hanover township, Lehigh county, Oct. 20, 1877, and at the age of 22 learned the butchering trade. In 1906 he engaged in the business where he now lives, succeeding his father-in-law, John Seyfried. Mr. Hess is active in church and Sabbath-school work and since 1907 he is one of the deacons of the Reformed Congregation of Christ Church in his native village. On Dec. 23, 1899, he was wedded to Mary Seyfried, a daughter of John E. and Rebecca (Andrews) Seyfried, and they have two sons: Clarence S., and Allen R.

#### FREDERICK HESS FAMILY.

Frederick Hess, a pioneer of Lynn township, (then in Northampton County), died in January, 1769, leaving a widow, Anna Margaretha, and the following children:

(1) David married Magdalena ——— and he died between 1802 and 1826, leaving ten children, namely: Catharine (married Peter Daniel); John George (b. Oct. 12, 1782); David (b. Oct. 14, 1784); Maria Magdalena (married John Geringer); Elizabeth; Barbara (married Anthony Kleppinger); Susanna (married George Zacharias); John (b. Feb. 19, 1793); Veronica (married Daniel Yost); Christina; Jacob (born in 1800).

(2) Catharine married Lorentz Reitz whose history appears in this volume.

(3) Susanna. (4) Christina. (5) Elizabeth. (6) Philip, born in 1766 and lived in Lynn township where he was a gun-maker. He was married several times and by each wife had several children.

Jonas Hess, son of Philip, lived at the Blue Mountain in Lynn township on the west side of the public road leading from the old Lehigh Furnace across the mountain, about a mile and a half north-west from the furnace, and there he manufactured guns and operated a smith-shop with the assistance of his five sons who had been taught the trade of a blacksmith. He was known as the "Gunmaker of Lynn," and there he made the historic flint lock guns. He had several acres of land in connection with his establishment.

Mr. Hess was a Lutheran member of the Frieden's church and he was buried there. His wife was Maria Schneider, and they had five sons and a daughter: Thomas, David, Jonas, Adam, Joseph, and Mary (who died single).

Thomas Hess, eldest son of Jonas, was born in 1821 and lived in West-Penn township, Schuylkill county, and also made guns. His wife was

Polly Billig and their children were: Thomas, Emma, Amanda and Catharine.

David Hess, second son of Jonas, was born in 1824 and he died in Lynn township on Feb. 1, 1898, aged 74 years. He lived north of Lynnport along the Blue Mountain and also made guns. He owned a lot of ground with a dwelling-house on it. He was a Lutheran member at the Jacksonville church and was buried in the cemetery there. His wife was Maria Magdalena Everett, daughter of Jacob Everett, born in July 1825, and died on Oct. 30, 1901, aged 76 years. Their children were: Mary (m. James Kochery), Frank, Sarah, William, James (deceased), and Louisa (m. William Long, now deceased).

Jonas Hess, third son of Jonas, owned the homestead and there he also made guns. His wife was Eliza Rauch and they had an only child, a daughter, Missouri Jane Susanna, born March 1, 1877.

Adam Hess, fourth son of Jonas, lived with his brother Jonas on the homestead. He died March 16, 1894, aged 65 years. His wife was Lucy Ann Rauch (a sister of Eliza who was married to Jonas), and their children were: Emma, Fietta, Lucy, Savannah, and Francis.

Joseph Hess, youngest son of Jonas, lived for some years in the vicinity of the homestead. About 1890 he left that section of country and located near Dreherstown. He was married twice; first to a Heintzelman without children, then to a Gruber and they also had no children.

WILLIAM A. HESS, son of David, a slate operator at Lynnport, was born in Lynn township, January 28, 1856. When fourteen years old, he began working in the slate industry as a blacksmith, machinist, and quarryman; then became foreman of the Enterprise Slate Co. After filling this position for some years he assisted in organizing the Ontelaunee Slate Co. in 1900 with Jesse B. Kimes and J. N. Bachman and was selected as superintendent and general manager, which position he has held in a satisfactory manner until the present time. The works give employment to ten men; previously, until 1910, they had afforded constant employment to thirty men. The articles produced are building materials, consisting of sink tops, electrical slabs and blocks, register-slabs, toilet-slabs, &c.

Mr. Hess is a Republican in politics, and a Lutheran member of the church at Jacksonville. He was married in 1877 to Kate Grey, daughter of John and Rachel (Fox) Grey, of Shamokin, Penna. She was born February 25, 1853, and died August 6, 1911, aged 58 years. They had the following children: William P. (assistant to his father in the slate business, married to

Messina A. Peter and they have two children, Walter and Leon); Jennie (m. Charles Gildner, and they have two children, Rama and Leona); Myrtle (m. Howard Sachs and they have one child, Forest); and Traylor.

#### HIGH FAMILY.

John High was born June 14, 1811, at Roxborough, Pa., and died Jan. 24, 1853, and was interred at the old Mennonite Church, at Skipack, Montgomery county. He married Sarah Hunsicker, born Nov. 26, 1808; died, Jan. 18, 1887, in Allentown. Issue: Henry H., and Kate (Mrs. H. B. Kratz), of Allentown.

Henry H. High, son of John and Sarah (Hunsicker) High, was born August 23, 1836, at Foxborough, near Philadelphia, and died Aug. 25, 1880; interred in Trinity Reformed cemetery, Collegeville, Pa. He married Elizabeth Brown, daughter of George and Maria Brown, of Lumberville, Pa. He was a school teacher in the public schools teaching both the German and English branches. George Brown died, aged 82 years and Mrs. Brown at the age of 79 years.

Mrs. Elizabeth (Brown) High, died July 5, 1881, and was buried by the side of her husband in the cemetery at Collegeville.

Mr. and Mrs. High had four children: Eugene L. R.; Laura, and two daughters who died in infancy.

EUGENE L. R. HIGH, only son of Henry H. and Elizabeth (Brown) High, was born Sept. 22, 1864, near Carversville, Bucks county. In 1866 his parents removed to Collegeville, Montgomery county, where he was reared and educated in the public schools. Being left an orphan in his sixteenth year, he was thrown upon his own resources. He therefore decided to become a railroad telegrapher and to this end he entered the office at Rahn's station on the Perkiomen R. R. as a student. After he had mastered the course, he accepted a position at Dillinger tunnel, Lehigh county, Jan. 1, 1884, and was, later, appointed station agent there, where he has since continued to this date (1913). Aside from these duties, he was postmaster for fifteen years, and also conducted a successful coal, flour and feed business, with the aid of hired help, for ten years.

Eugene L. R. High married Sept. 24, 1885, Mary B. Shelly, daughter of the late Levi N. and Mary (Bleam) Shelly, of Dillinger Station. They have one child, Ellwood S. High, born May 31, 1887, and who since May, 1896, has been employed by the Perkiomen R. R. Co., and now is a clerk in the trainmaster's office, at East Penn Junction, Allentown.



## HILDEBEITEL FAMILY.

Michael Hildebeitel, a descendant of Adam Hildebeitel, of Montgomery county, was born Aug. 4, 1800 in Bucks county, near Steinsburg. Soon after his marriage he removed to South Whitehall township, settling on a farm of 67 acres, near Muhlenberg College, which is now owned by his grandson, William H. Hildebeitel. He erected the present farm buildings, and operated the farm until his death on Oct. 31, 1889, aged 89 years, 2 months, and 27 days. He was one of the original members of the Cetrionia Reformed church.

Michael Hildebeitel married Leah Wieder. She was born Jan. 30, 1800, died on Aug. 7, 1861. Issue: Ezra; Elizabeth; Lucy, married Ernst Oldt; John, a resident of Carbon Co.

Ezra Hildebeitel, the eldest son of Michael and Leah (Widder) Hildebeitel, was born Jan. 15, 1830, in Bucks county, and was a small boy when his parents removed to Lehigh county. He succeeded his father to the homestead which he operated until his retirement in 1891. He died on Feb. 14, 1908. He was a member of the congregation of the Reformed church at Cedarville, where he was a deacon and elder.

Ezra Hildebeitel married Violetta Fries, born Oct. 5, 1830, died on Jan. 6, 1912. Issue: William H.; Emma, married Rev. N. J. Miller, of Phoenixville, Pa.; Isabella, died unmarried; Oscar, deceased; John, died aged nine years; and Amanda, died aged ten years.

WILLIAM H. HILDEBEITEL, eldest son of Ezra and Violetta (Fries) Hildebeitel, was born Feb. 11, 1858, on the homestead he now occupies and to which he succeeded in 1891. He was reared on the farm and acquired his education in the public schools. He has made farming his life work. He owns a straw cutter which belonged to his great-grandfather, in Bucks county, and also a flax-brake which belonged to the pioneer Hildebeitel, in Bucks county. It is probably 150 years old. Mr. Hildebeitel also owns a collection of Indian relics which he found on his own property. He is a member of the Cedarville Reformed church, and has been a deacon, elder, and trustee. He married in 1890, Victoria Roth, daughter of Gideon Roth. Issue: Lee H., Elda, and Eda.

## HERMAN HILDEBRAND.

Henry Hildebrand was married to Barbara Schneider. They were natives of Bavaria, Germany. There Mr. Hildebrand died in 1878. He is buried at Worms, Germany, where a suitable tombstone erected by his son, Herman, marks his grave. Their five children all came

to the United States, as follows: Henry and Christian live at Allentown; Sophia is the wife of Henry Fahlstick, of Allentown; Louis lives in Syracuse, New York; and Herman, of Rittersville, Pa.

Herman Hildebrand, hosiery manufacturer, who lives at Rittersville, was born in Bavaria, Germany, Oct. 22, 1868. In 1880, he came to Allentown, and there for a period of twenty years was employed by the E. J. Schneck & Sons, furniture manufacturers. Later he conducted a grocery store in East Allentown for eight years. In 1908, he engaged in the hosiery manufacturing business at Rittersville. For some years he dealt extensively in East Allentown real estate, and built seven houses there and was one of the men who materially aided in building up that section of the city, which in 1911 was made the Fourteenth ward of Allentown. Mr. Hildebrand married on Jan. 28, 1888, Iselle Fahlstick, a daughter of John and Eliza (Schlosser) Fahlstick. In the year 1910, they made an extended tour of the Fatherland, where they visited the hallowed graves of Mr. Hildebrand's father; also travelled through England, Switzerland, France and Belgium. They sailed from New York on the ship "The Lapland," and returned upon the "Crown Princess Cecelia." He is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M.

Mr. Hildebrand is a Democrat and was the tax collector of Hanover township during 1912 and 1913. They are Lutheran members of St. Joseph's church at East Allentown. Mrs. Henry Hildebrand is buried on the West End cemetery, Allentown, where she died on July 24, 1893, aged 56 years.

## CALVIN F. HILL.

Calvin F. Hill, farmer and butcher, near Newside, Lehigh county, was born in West Penn township, Schuylkill county, January 8, 1877. At the age of six years he came to Leighton, and when only eleven years old learned the butchering trade there. He came to his present location in 1892, and purchased a valuable farm of 90 acres, which was the George Peter homestead. On this farm there is an old log house, a photograph of which appears elsewhere in this history. The house is a prominent landmark of the community, as well as of the county.

In connection with farming Mr. Hill carries on the butchering business, has two teams on the road, and gives employment to three men. He is a member of the Jordan Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Pleasant Corner, and also of the Encampment. He has served the order in all its chairs and takes an active interest in its welfare.

In 1898 he married Emma M. Geiger, a

daughter of the late Menno and Sallie (Peter) Geiger, who lived and died on the farm now owned by Mr. Hill. They have three children: Wilmer, Viola and Stanley, and are members of the Lutheran congregation of the Heidelberg church.

Levi Hill, father of Calvin F., is a farmer near Lehighton, Pa. He was born in January, 1851, in West Penn township, and after he had grown up took to farming there, which he carried on until his removal to Weatherly, in Carbon county, Pa., but he remained only two years when he moved to Lehighton. He married Lydia, a daughter of Elias Dengler. She died in May, 1891. They had four children: Ella and Harvey (who died young); Calvin F.; Birdie (who died in infancy); and Robert, of Ashfield, Pa. He and the family are members of the Reformed church.

David Hill, father of Levi and grandfather of Calvin F., was an extensive farmer in West Penn township, and a man of great influence in his community. He owned three large farms, and built a hotel two and one half miles from Tamaqua, which is now known as Frantz's Hotel. He was born in 1817 and died at the age of seventy-five years. He is buried at the West Penn church, of which he was a member of the Lutheran congregation. His wife was Elizabeth Kolnig. She died about 1897, over seventy years of age. They had thirteen children: Mary (who died of small-pox); Jonas K.; Levi; Carolina; Polly Frantz; Amanda; Sallie Rex; Emma; David; Sylvester; Elemina; Herman, and Tillie.

The father of David was a farmer also, in West Penn township. He lived to old age, as did his wife, Rebecca, who survived him many years, and died at the age of 104 years. Both are buried at the West Penn church, having been Lutheran members there. They had five children: Gideon, David, Jonas (who died in 1907), Amanda Herman (who was a very stout and heavy woman), and a Mrs. Zimmerman.

#### HILLEGASS FAMILY.

This family originated from France, a branch of it emigrated to Germany, where the descendants became very numerous. Four brothers of the name came to America: George, Peter and Michael prior to 1724, and John Frederick Hillegass in 1727, all settling in Philadelphia.

John F. Hillegass was born Nov. 24, 1685, in Alsace, Germany. He arrived in Philadelphia, September, 1727, from whence he removed before 1734 to Montgomery county, Pa., taking up a tract of 150 acres, and later became owner of other large tracts of land. He died Jan. 6,

1765, and his wife died March 4, 1759; both were interred in the cemetery of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church. One of his descendants, John Hillegass, was born near Pennsburg, Pa. He was a farmer and sawmill owner. He was married to Catharine Hillegass. Their children were: Jacob, Peter, John and two daughters.

Peter Hillegass, son of John and Catharine Hillegass, born Feb. 26, 1804, on his father's farm, had meager opportunities for acquiring an education, but having excellent judgment, he became a very extensive drover and stock dealer, and accumulated quite a fortune. He was a Democrat and a member of the Reformed Church.

He married, Oct. 7, 1827, Maria Gery, daughter of Jacob Gery, a Revolutionary War soldier, and died April 13, 1883. Both were interred in the same cemetery as his parents.

Their children were: Dr. John G.; Jacob, died young; Matilda E., (Mrs. Dr. James G. Mensch); and Maria C. (Mrs. Dr. Henry Bobb).

Dr. John G. Hillegass, son of Peter and Maria (Gery) Hillegass, was born Oct. 26, 1828, in Upper Hanover township. He attended the public schools and the Collegiate Institute at Trappe. After three years study with a physician, he took a course in the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1849. He had a large practice in Upper Hanover for nearly 50 years.

In 1870-76 he established mercantile enterprises at Pennsburg, Pa. He married, Oct. 26, 1852, Catharine A., daughter of Jesse Ziegler. Their children were: Dr. Eugene Z.; Ida; Katie O.; Ella M.; Dr. Jesse Z.; Charles Q.; Howard C.; Calvin M.; Mary L.; and Dr. John P.

DR. JESSE Z. HILLEGASS, son of Dr. John G. and Catharine A. (Ziegler) Hillegass, was born March 24, 1868; attended the public schools; the seminary at Pennsburg, Pa.; graduated at the Allentown Business College; graduated from Ontario Veterinary College in 1890 and commenced the practice of veterinary surgery in Pennsburg, where he purchased the Red Hill Hotel and race track, becoming owner of many valuable race horses. He sold this property and purchased the Allentown Horse Bazaar, conducting it successfully for some years, then disposed of same. He then established the Allentown Horse Exchange, where he has sold many thousand horses up to the present time. He owns a large farm in Salisbury township, Lehigh county, which he cultivates and there raises fine horses, being the owner of a fine Belgian stallion. He took a special course in veterinary dentistry, and has an extensive practice in Lehigh and sur-



rounding counties. He also owns the "Capitol Cafe," located at South Sixth street, Allentown. Is a 32d degree Free Mason, and also a member of various other societies.

He was married to Caroline, widow of John Kibman. They have one child, Clarence, born July 18, 1896.

Dr. Charles Q. Hillegass, son of Dr. John G. and Catharine A. (Ziegler) Hillegass, was born in 1871 and educated in the public schools of Upper Hanover, and in the Perkiomen Seminary at Pennsburg, Pa. He graduated from Philadelphia Dental College in 1889, and began his practice in Upper Hanover and soon removed to Pennsburg, where he has since resided.

In politics, a Democrat; has served as an official in various capacities within the gift of the borough. Was active in the formation of the Pennsburg Building Company, and was an official therein. In 1903 he purchased the old family homestead of 118 acres, which had upon it a linseed oil mill, that business having been operated by four successive generations of the family. He converted the mill into a paper mill, known as the Perkiomen Paper Mill, taking as a partner, William H. Siegfried, of Reading, Pa., his brother-in-law.

About April 1, 1899, in conjunction with Robert L. Sniger, he founded *Town and County*, an illustrated publication, which is one of the best country papers in Eastern Pennsylvania. At the end of two years, Dr. Hillegass purchased his partner's interest, retiring from his dental practice.

Dr. Charles Q. Hillegass married Sept. 8, 1891, Ella, daughter of William Siegfried, of Monterey, Pa., and one son, Foster C., was born unto them, Sept. 10, 1902. The doctor is a member of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed church, and stands very high in his community.

Michael Hillegass, a descendant of the second generation of this pioneer family of Pennsylvania, was the first treasurer of the United States of America. Dr. Jesse Z. Hillegass, of Allentown, is a direct descendant of this distinguished American citizen.

Jacob B. Hillegass, son of John Hillegass, was married to Margaretta Zellner, and they were the parents of the following children: William Henry, died young; Susan, died young; Lewis, who was a member of Company I, 47th Pennsylvania Volunteers in the Civil War; Solomon Z., mentioned later; and Milton, who died young. Mr. Hillegass was married the second time to Sofie Mumbauer, with whom he had the following children: Mary Etta, married to Jonathan Wild; William Henry, married to

Miss Trapp; Levina, married to George Mohr, of Mountainville; Franklin, died young.

SOLOMON Z. HILLEGASS, merchant of South Allentown, son of Jacob B. and Margaretta (Zellner) Hillegass, was born near Zionsville, Upper Milford township, Dec. 13, 1844. At the age of thirteen years he left school to assist his father on the farm and later learned the blacksmith trade. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Co. G, 47th Pennsylvania Volunteers as a blacksmith and went with the army to the Gulf, and later was transferred to Virginia, or the Red River expedition under General Sheridan. He was honorably discharged June 1, 1865. After returning home he worked in the zinc mines until 1867. From 1868 to 1872 he taught in the public schools in Salisbury township. From 1872 to 1892 he was foreman and time keeper for the Lehigh Foundry Company. He was top filler for six years and stationary engineer for six years for the same company. He engaged in the grocery business on a small scale in South Allentown in September, 1902, and has since built up a very fine trade, to which he gives his personal attention. He is a member of St. Mark's Reformed church, which he served as trustee. Politically he is a Republican, and filled the office of assessor of Salisbury township in 1872, and also filled the same office in South Allentown for four years. He holds membership in the following fraternal organizations: G. A. R., No. 87, E. B. Young Post; A. O. of Mystic Chain, No. 1147, South Allentown; Beneficial Association of South Allentown and Fearless Fire Company, of South Allentown. Mr. Hillegass was married to Amanda Weber, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Ehrig) Weber, of Salisbury township. This union was blessed with the following children: Laura A., married to Enos Kline; William I., married to Ida Frey, was killed on the P. & R. Railroad, at the age of 37 years; E. McClellen, married to Sarah Ehler; Jennie M. R., married to George H. Downs; Calvin S., married to Miss Zentner; Annie M., married to Milton M. Scholl; Ida E. E., died aged 17 years and Charles M. Mr. Hillegass was married the second time to Mrs. Knauss, the widow of James Knauss, daughter of John and Catharine (Bachman) Fegley.

#### HINTERLEITER FAMILY.

Mathias Hinterleiter bought of Nicholas Mufly, in 1767, a tract of land in Maxatawny township, Berks county, which descended to his son, Jacob. Daniel Hinterleiter, son of Jacob, became the owner and cultivated it until his death, Aug. 16, 1889. He married, in 1827, Catharine, daughter of John and Catharine (Siegfried) Gernert. She was born Feb. 8, 1808, and died

Nov. 12, 1881. They had ten children: Jacob; Joshua; Maria E., married Jacob W. Fisher; Eliza, married Daniel S. Siegfried; Fiana E., married Lewis Fisher; John G.; Sarah A., married (first) E. B. Shuey, (second) William H. Hess; William G.; Daniel; and Charles A.

William G. Hinterleiter, son of Daniel, was born April 4, 1844, in Maxatawny township. He was brought up on the homestead farm, which was in the family for over 130 years and which he afterward came to own. He learned to follow a mercantile life and located at Kutztown, where he conducted a dry goods business in a most successful manner until his decease. He also owned a store at Hazleton, which was carried on for him by his son, Raymond. He was a man of great enterprise and encouraged home affairs, having been a director in the Kutztown National Bank, and the silk mill. For many years he was prominently identified with the Trinity Lutheran church at Kutztown, and is credited with having been chiefly instrumental in its erection. In this church he was the choir leader for many years. He died July 3, 1903. He was married to Kate S. Bear, of Oley, Berks county, in 1874, and they had six children: Irene Viola, a graduate of the Kutztown Normal School, and a student at Wilson College; Asher V., died in infancy; Florence M., married Dr. Elmer Maurer, of Ashland, and has two children: Catharine and Florence M.; Raymond W.; Arthur B.; and Mabel K., who died aged 9 years.

Mrs. Hinterleiter is a daughter of David and Harriet (Schwartz) Bear, of Trexlertown. Mr. Bear had a tannery at Friedensburg, and was also a farmer. He had ten children: Francis; William; David, a tanner and farmer, married Esther De Turck; Mary S., married Daniel Bertolet, of Stephens, Lancaster county; Edwin, a farmer in Virginia, married Catharine Bertolet; Catharine S.; and Alfred, John, Harriet, and Lewis, who died young.

RAYMOND W. HINTERLEITER, son of William G., was born at Kutztown, July 6, 1883. He received his preliminary education in the borough schools and his higher education in the normal school and in a Philadelphia business college, from both of which he was graduated. He then entered his father's dry goods store at Kutztown, and becoming qualified in this manner for business, he was placed in charge of his father's Hazleton store, which he conducted successfully until February, 1909, when he embarked in the mercantile business at Allentown, where he has since carried on a store in a successful manner.

#### FRANK J. HITZEL.

Frank J. Hitzel, large manufacturer of barrels and kegs at Allentown and Bethlehem, was born April 17, 1876, at West Bethlehem, in Lehigh county, where he received his education in the public schools until he became fourteen years of age. Then he learned the trade of making barrels and kegs under his father, after which he followed the trade at various places in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, more especially at Nazareth, Siegfried's and Easton. With this experience as a journeyman, he took charge of the barrel making department of Henry Erwin & Sons' Works at Bethlehem, as manager, in manufacturing paint barrels, which position he filled successfully for eleven years. In 1911, he embarked in the business for himself and established a plant in Bethlehem, at Mauch Chunk road and Elizabeth avenue, which he named "Monocacy Barrel Works," and there he has continued until the present time. His extensive trade required the enlargement of his works, and to answer his business requirements, in 1913, he established another large plant at Allentown on Railroad street. He employs twenty hands and has two plants constantly busy filling orders from Bethlehem, Easton, Allentown, Reading, Catasauqua, Freemansburg, Mertztown, and Lincoln, N. J.

In 1905, Mr. Hitzel was married to Emma E. Lewis, daughter of Jeremiah and Emma (Reidy) Lewis. He has become affiliated with the Moose and the Woodmen of the World; he is a member of the Catholic Church, and in politics he is a Democrat.

His father, Valentine Hitzel, was born in 1834, learned the trade of cooper and followed it there until he became twenty-eight years of age; then he emigrated to America and located at West Bethlehem, in Lehigh county, where he embarked in the business of manufacturing barrels. His shop was on River street, and there he continued for a period of fifty-one years, until 1913, when he retired. He resides in his old home at Seventh and Market streets, where he enjoys good health, contentment and the rewards of a well spent life at the advanced age of four score years. In politics he is a Democrat. In 1865, he was married to Barbara Cappello, a daughter of Joseph and Catharine (Hufnagel) Cappello. She was born April 13, 1838 and is in the enjoyment of fine health in retired life with her aged husband. They are members of the Catholic Church. They had seven children: Charles; Lena, m. Christian Volle; Margaret, m. Harry J. Roth; Joseph; John, (deceased); Augustus H. (barrel maker), and Frank J.



MORRIS HOATS.

Andrew Hoats, a native of Zinzendorf, Germany, came to America on the ship Phoenix, which arrived at Philadelphia, Aug. 28, 1750. He settled in Heidelberg township, where he was taxed £3 on 100 acres of land in 1764. He and his wife, Elizabeth Barbara, had two sons, Andrew, and John George. The latter was born Sept. 27, 1769. Andrew Hoats, Jr., married Eva, daughter of Jacob Wenner, and had two children: George and Salome. George Hoats lived in Berks county and married Judith Fetherolf.

Samuel Hoats, son of George, was born March 13, 1827, died Aug. 4, 1899. At the age of eighteen years he came to Allentown and engaged in tailoring, but was subsequently for many years engaged in the insurance business on Hamilton street. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran church. He married Mary Dorothy, daughter of John J. and Hannah (Eckert) Krause. She was born Oct. 17, 1834, and died April 11, 1907. Mr. Krause was a clockmaker in Allentown, served in the Legislature from 1821 to 1823, and was burgess of the borough from 1830 to 1834. Mr. and Mrs. Hoats had two children: Morris; and Mary C., wife of Wm. H. Boner, a music dealer, of Wanamaker, Pa.

Morris Hoats, Esq., son of Samuel, was born in Allentown, April 9, 1857. He was educated in a private school in Allentown, at Muhlenberg College, and at Princeton University, where he studied law and was graduated in 1877. He then studied law with Hon. Edward Harvey, was admitted to the bar in 1880, and has since practiced his profession at Allentown. He became actively interested in the slate industry, and was a stockholder and secretary of the Eureka and Blue Valley Slate Companies, and is now a director of both companies. He was one of the organizers and is now a director of the Merchants National Bank. Mr. Hoats was a member of the National Guard from 1883 to 1898, first as a member of Company B; was appointed inspector of rifle practice of the Fourth Regiment in 1887; was adjutant from 1888 to 1890; and battalion adjutant from 1895 to 1898, when he resigned. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, and in politics is a Republican. He is also a member of the Society of American Whigs, of Princeton University; Phi Gamma Fraternity; Allentown Lodge of Elks; National Geographic Society; and Knights of Malta; and is a member of the Board of Governors of the Livingstone Club. Mr. Hoats married Nora, daughter of John Henry Nelson, a farmer, of Frederick county, Md., who died in 1868, and his wife, Janet

Adams, daughter of Valentine and Sarah (Thomas) Adams, also of Maryland.

ZACHARY W. HOATS.

Dennis W. Hoats, son of George, was born in Heidelberg township, near Peter's foundry, in 1821. He was first a tailor, and from 1860 until his death, which occurred on Jan. 1, 1907, he was the proprietor of Penn Hotel, at Allentown.

He was married to Louisa Stahler, and their issue was: Louisa, married to Casper Shimer, of Allentown, they have a son, Elmer T.; Zachary T.; Milton, deceased, was married to Emma Herman, of Allentown.

Zachary T. Hoats, of Allentown, was born Dec. 14, 1848, in North Whitehall township. Until 1860 he attended the public schools of his native township, and from that date until 1865, he was a student in the Homeopathic Medical School at Allentown. After that date until his retirement in 1908, he was engaged in the painting and decorating business in Allentown, having enjoyed a large and successful business.

He and family are members of Salem Reformed church; in politics he is a Republican, and socially a member of Camp No. 63, P. O. S. of A. He resides at No. 715 North Seventh street.

On Oct. 27, 1867, he married Amanda Butz, a daughter of Peter Butz, of Allentown. Their children are: William C., married to Minnie Haines, daughter of William R. Haines, of Allentown. They have one child, Marion E.; Dora, married to Henry J. Mack, auditor of the Bethlehem Steel Company, they reside at Bethlehem; Preston D., who died in infancy.

OSCAR S. HOCH.

Oscar S. Hoch, cement contractor, of 226 North Thirteenth street, Allentown, was born in Richmond township, Berks county, July 6, 1866. His father, Joel H. Hoch, a farmer and large land owner, of Fleetwood, married Sarah, daughter of Jonathan Shaffer and wife, *nee* Barto, and had five children: Caroline, wife of Thomas Robinson, of Philadelphia; Jeremiah, an oil dealer of Delaware, Ohio; Oscar S.; Emma, wife of Morris Shaffer, of Fleetwood, and Edmond, of Tipton. Oscar S. was educated in the common schools and in a private school at Fleetwood. Until 26 years of age he was employed on his father's farm, when he removed to Allentown, and with his own team entered the business of hauling freight, etc. Subsequently he became a cement contractor, in which business he has been successful and now employs over fifty men and owns fifteen two-horse teams. He is an enterprising and progressive businessman and in politics is independent. He is a member of Salem's

Evangelical church and has always been prominently connected with church work.

Mr. Hoch married at Reading, in 1892, Mary M., daughter of John and Sallie (Deyscher) Angstadt, of Fleetwood, and has three children: Charles H., a graduate of the Allentown Business College, now a bookkeeper in his father's office; Pauline E., and Christine M.

#### HOFFMAN FAMILY.

Michael Hoffman from Germany emigrated to Pennsylvania, landing at Philadelphia, Oct. 17, 1732, and shortly afterward settled on a large tract of land on Indian or Coplay Creek, in the territory now embraced in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county. He took out a warrant for his land on November 16, 1744. He died in 1786. In the year 1758, his wife Eva stood sponsor for Anna Elizabeth, daughter of Johannas and Maria Catharine Hoffman. He was past middle age at the time of his emigration. They had two sons Michael and Johannas and probably some daughters. The baptismal records of the Egypt Reformed Church give the following information:

Michael and Eva Catharine Hoffman had

Catharine Elizabeth, baptized March 27, 1739  
Joh. Michael, b. May 27, 1752; bapt'd Oct. 3, 1752

Johannes and Maria Catharine Hoffman had

Anna Elizabeth, b. ———, bapt'd Sept. 11, 1758  
Eva Catharine, b. Oct. 30, 1767, bapt'd Nov. 22, 1767  
Johannas, b. May 11, 1769, baptized June —, 1769  
Maria M., b. May 18, 1771, baptized June 2, 1771  
Michael, b. Sept. 4, 1774, baptized Oct. 17, 1774

One William Hoffman, born Jan. 14, 1749, died on Mar. 16, 1824, aged 75 years, 2 months and 2 days, was married to Elizabeth ———, born June 15, 1757, died Feb. 23, 1841. They had twelve children and are buried at Unionville. He may have been a son of either Michael or Johannas Hoffman.

Michael Hoffman, the second, on Dec. 8, 1756, bought a tract of 167 acres of land situated in Heidelberg (now Washington) township; and on Aug. 1, 1765, he purchased an adjoining tract of 55 acres. These tracts were bounded by vacant lands, except ten rods of it which adjoined the property of a previously settled pioneer of that section. This land continued to be occupied by his sons and their descendants. Tradition states that he had a number of children some of whom settled in western states. Record is made of the 222 acres in the court house at Easton, in Deed Book E, Vol. I, p. 407, and bear date June 12, 1787.

John Michael, his son, obtained a part, if not

all, of the above tract of land. He sold his property on June 16, 1819, to his son Heinrich.

Henry Hoffman, son of Michael, was born June 27, 1778, died on Nov. 2, 1858. He owned and operated one of the Hoffman homesteads, all his life. He and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of the Unionville Church where they were buried.

He married Salome Peter, born Aug. 16, 1791, died on June 17, 1872. Issue: Henry, Solomon, Elias, and Catharine, who married George Krouse.

Solomon Hoffman, son of Henry, was born in Washington township. He attended the old pay school at Unionville. He purchased his father's farm of 80 acres, Dec. 31, 1845, where he resided all his life. He built the present log house in 1844.

Solomon Hoffman married Sallie Hensinger, daughter of Jacob Hensinger. Issue: Mary (Mrs. E. A. Troxell); Elias; Catherine (Mrs. Henry Savitz); Amelia (Mrs. Thomas Kressler); Sarah (Mrs. David Semmel); Frank H.; Lewis; Josephine (Mrs. Henry Mantz); Jacob; Edwin; David; and Ellen (Mrs. James Bloss).

Elias Hoffman, son of Heinrich, was born in Washington township and raised on this homestead which his father divided among his three sons, Elias, Henry, and Solomon in 1845. He was a life long farmer. His wife, Polly, was a daughter of Nicholas Kern, and their six children were: Emeline, Benjamin, Madina, Josiah, Jane, and Edward. They are buried at Unionville.

Henry Hoffman, son of Michael, was born in Washington on Nov. 21, 1816. He was a farmer and carried on the farm now occupied by Josiah Kern. The latter years he spent with his son, Joel, near Newside and there he died in 1900, aged 84 years. He is buried at Unionville. Both he and his wife were members of the Reformed congregation at that place. He served the office of deacon and elder in the church for many years. His wife Rebecca Handwerk was born March 13, 1816, and died in July, 1887. Their children were: Sally Ann (m. Jeremiah Kern), Joel, Alfred, and Caroline (b. July 23, 1851, married Lafayette German).

Frank H. Hoffman, son of Solomon and Sallie (Hensinger) Hoffman, was born in Sept., 1854. He spent his youth upon his father's farm, and attended the public schools and after putting aside his books, he made an extended trip throughout Ohio. After returning home he rented a farm for a number of years. He subsequently purchased his father's homestead and made many improvements thereto and it is now in an excellent condition. The property has been in the



Hoffman name since it was originally taken up by the pioneer settler, Michael Hoffman. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman are members of the Reformed Church at Unionville, of which he is a deacon. He is also a member of the J. O. A. M.

Frank J. Hoffman married (first) in 1876, Alice M. Bloss, daughter of Edwin and Mary (Heintzleman) Bloss. Issue: Albert L., Harvey F.; Emma E. (Mrs. George Greene); Samuel E.; Estella (Mrs. Daniel George); Mabel (Mrs. John Riedy); Victor; Claude; and Clarence Hoffman.

Frank H. Hoffman married (second) Rosa Seibert, daughter of Jonas Seibert.

ALBERT L. HOFFMAN, son of Frank H., was born in Washington township, March 2, 1877. He was educated in the township schools also at Catasauqua where he became a clerk in the store for E. A. Troxell, whom he served for a period of six years, and later he filled a similar position with J. W. Peters at Egypt. In 1904, he was admitted into the firm under the name of J. W. Peters and Company. This firm enjoys a successful business.

In the year 1903, he married Sallie, a daughter of Alfred and Mary (Wilson) Troxell. They have these children: Thomas F., Mary E., and Albert L., Jr.

He and family are Reformed members of the Egypt church. Socially he is a member of Chapman Lodge, No. 637, F. & A. M. at Siegfried; Lodge No. 269, I. O. O. F., at Catasauqua; the K. G. E., and the Improved Order of Redmen, both of Egypt; and the P. O. S. of A., of Catasauqua.

Mr. Hoffman is a Republican, and is one of the township commissioners.

Harvey F. Hoffman, son of Frank H., was born in Catasauqua on August 31, 1879, while his father lived in that borough, but he was brought up on a farm in Washington township where he lived until 1900; then he became a clerk in a general store at Catasauqua conducted by E. A. Troxell whom he succeeded on Jan. 1, 1906, having then purchased the property which is located at Fourth and Walnut Sts. Mr. Hoffman is attentive to his business and a prosperous merchant. In 1912 he built a large addition to the store. On September 26, 1902, he married Redella Weiss, a daughter of John and Annie (Scholl) Weiss, of Carbon county, Pa., and they have one son, Raymond Franklin.

Heinrich Hoffman was a farmer near Saegersville. He is buried on the homestead. His wife was Catharine Miller, and their children were: Nathan, Peter, John Henry, Jonas (who went west), Catharine (m. George Bennighoff, who died in 1853), and Sarah (m. Philip Gumbert).

Nathan and Peter each owned part of the homestead; their brother, John, owns an adjoining farm. Henry likewise had a farm in Heidelberg. After Mrs. Bennighoff became a widow she kept house for her brother, Peter, until, like his brother, Nathan, he met with a "sudden death." As was customary in that time, they were buried on a private graveyard.

Jonas Hoffman, son of John, was born Sept. 14, 1832, and died at Slatington, April 23, 1908, aged 72 years. He was a tailor by trade. For three years he kept the hotel at Newhards, and for five years the hotel at Lehigh Gap. He then moved to Slatington and purchased the Bittner House, which he conducted for eighteen years then sold it to Henry Bittner. He also owned upwards of thirty acres of land in Slatington upon which he built a number of houses. He was a director of the Slatington National Bank and a councilman of that borough. His wife was Hattie Lentz and they have three children: John, Frank, and Alice.

John Hoffman, son of Jonas, is a resident at Friedensville (Hoffmans P. O.). He was born Dec. 10, 1855, and followed farming for some years. For fifteen years he was the postmaster at Hoffmans, which office he established. He married Ann Peter and they have an only son, Francis P., who was born Jan. 25, 1876. For fifteen years the son conducted a general store at Hoffmans. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A. He served as a deacon of Friedens Church Reformed congregation for four years. He married Laura, a daughter of David Reber.

Frank R. Hoffman, son of Jonas, was a slater at Slatington for some years; then he was employed by John Deyer, an extensive contractor at Conshohocken. He was appointed by Gov. Henry M. Hoyt, a First Lieut. of the Slatington Rifles, in Company H., Fourth Regiment Infantry, on Feb. 21, 1882, for a term of five years. He died at Conshohocken. His wife was Minnie Schertzinger, and she was married a second time to Alfred Whetstone. Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman had three children: Henry (died small), M. Alice (m. Morris Handwerk), and Harriet H. (m. to Charles Lentz).

Benjamin Hoffman, son of Elias, son of Heinrich, lived at Catasauqua. His wife was Emma Kistler, and they had two daughters: Kate (m. Edward Luckenbach), and Minnie.

Josiah P. Hoffman, son of Elias, is a farmer in North Whitehall. He married Alice Kuhns, a daughter of David Kuhns. They have seven children, one of whom is Martin C.

Joel Hoffman, son of Heinrich, was born May 7, 1842. He learned the carpenter trade when a young man, and followed it with farming for

some years. In 1886 he moved upon the farm near Newside where Harvey A. Hoffman, his son, now lives and there he farmed until his death in May, 1904. His wife Attilia, is a daughter of Adam and Maria Magdalena (Kline) Scherer. They were Reformed members of Unionville church. He served the church as deacon and elder. Their children were: Harvey A.; Irwin; Ulysses; Erastus; and Granville. The last three are deceased; Emma (m. James Bachman of Allentown); Eleanor (m. Wilson Schaffer of Newside); and Cora (m. Jeremiah Peter, of Lowhill).

Alfred P. Hoffman, son of Henry, was born Jan. 15, 1848. He had an 83-acre farm near Best Station where he lived. He died Nov. —, —, and is buried at Unionville. His wife was Attilia M. Krause. Their three children are: Aquilla (m. Lewis W. Roth), Blassius G., and Lillie E. (m. Herbert Hoffman).

BLASSIUS G. HOFFMAN was born in Washington township, Dec. 20, 1873. He is located along the Slatington Trolley line on one of the very fine and up-to-date farms of the township. He began farming on his father's homestead in 1896 and this he later purchased and cultivated until March 14, 1906; then he moved upon his present farm situated between Neffsville and Slatington, a tract of 83 acres, which lies in the potato belt. He is an extensive potato farmer. The farm was known, years back, as the "Rudy Stand." In 1911 he remodeled the large stone house and beautified the surroundings, making it a most attractive home.

He and his family are members of the Reformed congregation at Unionville. He is an active Republican and in 1909 was elected a road commissioner of the township. On Oct. 6, 1894, he married Lillie L., daughter of Moses Metzger (whose full history appears in this volume). They have an only son, Raymond Henry.

HARVEY A. HOFFMAN was born Sept. 19, 1875. He owns his father's homestead near Newside which comprises 87 acres of excellent farm land. He was a tenant farmer for six years, and upon the death of his father purchased the old stand which he now cultivates. On this tract there is a large brick house which was built in 1885 which has a beautiful lawn surrounding it. The farm was a Klotz homestead.

Mr. Hoffman is a deacon of the Reformed congregation at Unionville. In 1898 he married Cora Miller, a daughter of Edwin and Leah (Handwerk) Miller, and they have three children: Rufus, Leroy, and Retta.

#### WILLIAM H. HOFFMAN.

John Hoffman was a farmer in Lynn township, where he owned upwards of 300 acres of land. He was connected with the Reformed congregation of the Ebenezer church and was buried in the cemetery there. His wife was Catharine Hunsicker and their children were: Polly, married Joseph Smith; Lydia, married Elias Roeder; Sarah, married Stephen Wehr; and Elias.

Elias Hoffman, son of John, established the first coal yard at New Tripoli, along the Schuylkill and Lehigh Railroad, about the time of opening the Berks County Railroad, which was the predecessor of the railroad mentioned; and he carried on a farm of 71 acres, in connection with the coal business. He was a prominent member of the Reformed congregation of Ebenezer church, which he served as deacon and elder, having died while serving the latter office.

His wife was Lydia, daughter of Michael Wehr, and they had four children, of whom two died in infancy; Owen, died when two years old; and William H., whose history follows.

WILLIAM H. HOFFMAN, of New Tripoli, the extensive potato dealer and grain and coal merchant, was born in Lynn township, March 4, 1868.

He was educated in the common schools and was reared upon the farm, following an agricultural pursuit until in 1900, after which he succeeded D. N. Leiby in the grain, coal and potato business at New Tripoli, which was established by Elias Hoffman, his father, and the latter was succeeded to the business by William F. Krause, who conducted it for twelve years, being succeeded by D. N. Leiby, who conducted it for three years.

Mr. Hoffman built up one of the largest shipping points on the Schuylkill and Lehigh Railroad. In 1912 he shipped 161,000 bushels of potatoes alone, or about 230 carloads of potatoes. He shipped as many as eleven carloads of potatoes in one day. His shipments of potatoes, grain, etc., amount annually to 325 carloads. William H. Hoffman is an able and conservative business man. He has made himself of great service and value to his community in finding a ready market for the potato growers, an industry which he helped to build up, he being an extensive potato planter himself.

Mr. Hoffman owns and operates the Clauss farm of 98 acres, which was formerly a Heintzleman homestead and is now in the highest state of cultivation, improved with good, substantial buildings. He has become affiliated with the



Odd Fellows, the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is a liberal contributor and prominent member of the Reformed congregation of the Ebenezer church, which he served in the office of deacon, being now one of the elders of the church.

In 1888 he was married to Mattie Kern, daughter of Paul and Maria (Raush) Kern, and they have three children: Hallie and Charles, both died in infancy; and Mark.

#### JAMES L. HOFFMAN.

James L. Hoffman, druggist, was born in Orefield (now Hoffmansville), Pa., August 6, 1860. His father, James, being a son of John Hoffman, who had been twice married, resided at Hoffmansville, Pa., and was engaged in farming, as well as being one of the pioneers in ore mining in Lehigh county. He had been married to Sarah Harwick, and, upon his death, was buried at the Jordan Lutheran Church. The children born to them were: 1, Josephine, deceased, married to Allen Balliet; 2, Jefferson J. married to Elmira Balliet; 3, Martha J., wife of H. D. Frankenfield, of Allentown; 4, Ida V., married first to Allen Balliet, deceased, and a second time to George B. Schafer and resides at Reading; 5, James L., and 6, Laura, deceased.

Having been bereft of his father, when only five years old, James L. enjoyed but few years of schooling. His family removed to Berks Co. and when he was fourteen years of age came to Allentown, where he attended the preparatory school at Muhlenberg College during 1878-79. In the fall of 1879 he took up the drug business, serving his apprenticeship with Frank Faust up to 1882, when he succeeded him in the business at Sixth and Linden streets. Subsequently he conducted a drug store at the corner of Eighth and Chew, where he continued until the fall of 1884, when he went back to 6th and Linden streets, conducting said place for four years. Thereupon he moved to 9th and Liberty streets, and, in the fall of 1896, he opened the present drug store at the corner of 13th and Linden streets. He is a member of the Lutheran church and had been school director and comptroller for a period of twelve years. He is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

He was married to Ellen S. Peter on April 2, 1882, a daughter of Nathan and Sarah (Haines) Peter, from which union there were born to them twelve children: 1, Alma M., a graduate

of the Allentown High School, class 1900, married to Rev. J. L. Rohrbach, of North Lima, Ohio; 2, James A., a graduate of the High School, Bethlehem Preparatory and Yale, 1907, married to Carrie Fenstermacher, resides at Washington, D. C.; 3, Norma S., a music teacher; 4, E. Grace, a graduate of the High School and at present is attending the College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia; 5, Ray N., a graduate of Philips Academy of Andover and Yale, 1912; 6, John H., also a graduate of Philips Academy and at present attending the College of Pharmacy; 7, Miriam S., High School, 1913; 8, Evelyn A.; 9, Lillian J., 10, Mildred M., 11, Bertha M., and 12, Richard J.

#### DR. HARRY F. HOFFMAN.

Dr. Harry F. Hoffman, assistant superintendent of the Rittersville Hospital, was born Dec. 19, 1884, at Minonk, in Woodford county, Illinois. When an infant his parents removed to St. Louis, Mo., and there he attended the public schools until his parents removed to Buffalo, N. Y. He continued his preliminary education in Buffalo and was graduated from the high school in 1901. For the next three years he was employed as a clerk in the Clearing House of Buffalo, and afterward from 1904 to 1906 took a special course on physics, chemistry, dentistry, etc., in the University of Buffalo; then he was engaged in the postal service for a year. In 1907, he entered the Hahnemann Medical College at Philadelphia for the study of homeopathy and was graduated from that institution in 1910. He began active practice for a short time in the tubercular sanitarium at Mt. Alto, in Pennsylvania, and then was offered a position as assistant in the Norwich State Hospital in Connecticut. He filled this position in a successful manner until September, 1912, when he was selected as assistant superintendent of the Rittersville State Hospital for insane people and he has since discharged the duties of this responsible office until the present time.

Dr. Hoffman has become affiliated with two college fraternities: Psi Omega and Pi Upsilon Rho; Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M., at Allentown, and three medical societies: Pennsylvania Homeopathic Medical Society, American Institute of Homeopathy, and American Medical Psychological Association.

In 1913, Dr. Hoffman was married to Ruth Virginia, a daughter of Charles A. and Mary (Shaw) Peabody, of Taylorville, Ill. The father of Mrs. Hoffman was Dr. Samuel Shaw, of Columbus, Ohio.

Rev. Frederick Hoffman, the father of Dr. Hoffman, is a Baptist minister in active service

at Leduc, in Alberta, Canada. He was born at Hamburg, Germany, in 1856, where he received his preliminary education until 1876, when he emigrated to America. He located at Rochester, N. Y., where he studied for the ministry in the University of Rochester and was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1882; since then he has served congregations at Minonk, St. Louis, Buffalo, and Winnipeg, Manitoba; and now at Leduc, in Canada. He was married to Gustava Schieback, who was born in Stralsund, on the Baltic shore of Germany, and they have nine children: Hugh C.; Dr. Harry F.; Lillie, married John Huget; Walter A.; Daniel W.; Nelson; Elmer B.; Esther; and J. Milton.

#### HOEHLE FAMILY.

George Hoehle was born June 20, 1766, in Wurtemberg, Germany. He came to America when a young man, settling in Hanover township, now Lehigh county. He was a laborer, and died on Feb. 16, 1836, in his seventieth year. He is buried at Shoenersville. His wife, Rosina Beitel, was born March 5, 1780, died on Dec. 19, 1861. Their children were: Florentine, married to Sarah Osenbach; Elvina married to Ferdinand Baumgardner; Louisa, married to Henry Smaykeffer; Henry, a cripple, died unmarried; and Cecelia, died aged twenty-three years.

Florentine Hoehle was born Feb. 24, 1809, died on Feb. 5, 1889. He lived at Rittersville, where he was a laborer and served the district as supervisor. He was married to Sarah Osenbach, born June 26, 1809, died on May 26, 1891. Their children were: William, Amelia (1836-1840); Tilghman (1838-1840); Edwin Jeremiah, Mary, married to C. Acker, and Thomas.

William, son of Florentine Hoehle, was born Dec. 15, 1833, died on Jan. 4, 1910. He was a carpenter by trade. He was married to Polly, a daughter of Jesse Acker. She still lives and resides with her daughter, Alice, at Allentown. Their children follow: Alfred P., Ellen J., Mantana, married to Rev. S. B. Stupp, a Lutheran minister; Alice, married to D. Gerbrich, of Allentown; Edwin C., Elmer and Harry, both deceased.

Alfred P. Hoehle was born June 11, 1857. He resides in his own home which he built in 1886 in Hanover township and is employed at the Mosser Foundry since 1902. He is a member of the Rittersville Reformed Church and he sang on the choir for many years.

In 1880 he married Rebecca Schell. They have Flora, deceased, and Clarence F.

#### HOHL FAMILY.

Augustus Hohl, wholesale liquor dealer, of Catasauqua, is a grandson of Joseph Hohl, a life long citizen of Riegel, Baden, Germany. To Joseph and his wife, Anna, *nee* Meyer, were born many children, three of whom, Joseph, Augustus and Catherine, came to America. The latter was married to Alois Bentz. She died in 1893 at Calogne, Minnesota. Joseph was born at Riegel in Baden in 1828. He came to America in 1856. During the Civil War he was drafted, but procured a substitute, paying him the sum of three hundred dollars. He married Mary A. Glasser, a daughter of Nicholas and Mary Glasser of Berlinsville. To them were born the following children: Rosa, married to J. Nagle; Eva, married to John Tremmel; Agnes, married to Thos. Hower, and Augustus S. Upon coming to Coplay he found employment in the limestone quarry. Later he entered into partnership with Paul Levan and contracted to furnish the limestone for the Coplay furnace. After a period of two years he purchased the interests of his partner and conducted the business alone. He acted as supervisor of Coplay for a number of years. He died at Coplay Feb. 17, 1891, aged 62 years. His wife still survives and resides at Catasauqua.

Augustus Hohl, brother of Joseph, was born in Riegel, Baden, June 17, 1850, and came to Coplay from the Fatherland in 1866. He found employment in the stone quarry and later at the furnace, working two and seven years at these places. After leaving the Coplay furnace he was employed at the Kostenbader brewery for about 15 years, after which he kept a hotel at Coplay for a period of six years. In 1889 he engaged in the bottling business and in 1902 added the wholesale liquor department. In 1872 he married Catharine Burkhard. They have one daughter, Lillie A., married to L. James Reisinger, of Reading, Pa. He is a member of the Whitehall Union Beneficial Association, St. Nicholas Society, Coplay, One Year Beneficial Society, Lehigh Saengerbund and St. Mary's Catholic church.

AUGUSTUS S. HOHL, son of Joseph Hohl, was born at Catasauqua, July 26, 1879. He attended the public school, the parochial school and the Coplay High School, and later took a course in the American Commercial School in 1897, after which he became bookkeeper for his uncle, Augustus, at Catasauqua. In 1902 he became manager of the establishment. In 1901 he was married to Matilda A. Mayer, a daughter of Louis and Anna (Schenk) Mayer. This



union is blessed with four children: Augustine, Joseph, Vincent and Carl. Mr. Hohl is a member of the St. Nicholas Society, the Knights of St. George, the Neumann Kasno and the F. O. E. He is also a director in the Lehigh Building Association since its organization in 1900.

#### HOHL FAMILY.

Christian Hohl and his wife, Catherine (Weaver) Hohl, emigrated in 1839 to America from Zwei Brucken, Germany. He was a baker by trade. They located at Easton, Pa., where they remained until the death of Mr. Hohl, in 1860. Mrs. Hohl then passed the rest of her days in Allentown, at the home of her son, Christian Hohl, Jr., Christian and Catherine Hohl had four children, viz: Christian, Jr., George, who resided at Easton and became possessed of quite a property; Lovina (Mrs. Joseph Benner), Augusta (Mrs. L. F. Walters).

Christian Hohl, Jr., the eldest son of Christian, was born March 21, 1831, and was eight years old when his parents came to America. He followed in his father's footsteps and became a baker, following the trade at Easton and at Allentown. He settled in Allentown in 1858 and conducted a successful business until he retired in 1902. He died May 26, 1903. He married Sarah Fogelman, daughter of Henry and Hannah (Wint) Fogelman, of Hanover township. She was born March 31, 1835, and died Dec. 14, 1897. Issue: Henry C., Hannah C., married John Schlegel, whose biography appears elsewhere in these volumes; Lewis A., Harvey G.

HARVEY G. HOHL, son of Christian and Sarah (Fogelman) Hohl, was born Sept. 27, 1873, at Allentown. He was educated in the public schools and at an early age became a clerk in the freight office of the Lehigh Valley R. R. Co., where he remained for five years. He then learned the baker's trade with his father whom he succeeded to the business and successfully conducts it to the present time. He is a member of Jordan Commandery, No. 102, K. of M., and Alton Castle, No. 149, K. of M. C.

Harvey G. Hohl married Dec. 25 1894, Bertha C. Truchses, daughter of Ernest S. Truchses, whose biography appears elsewhere in this volume. Issue: Ernestine Hohl.

#### HOLBEN FAMILY.

The ancestor of the greater part of this family was John Jacob Holben, who was born Dec. 25, 1717, in the Odenwald, Germany. He emigrated to America on the ship Francis and Elizabeth, landing at Philadelphia Sept. 21, 1742, at the age of 25 years. He located shortly after in what is now Weisenberg township, where he

secured a warrant on Sept. 28, 1750, for fifty acres of land. In 1762 he was assessed £10. He secured additional land and in 1768 he was taxed upon 50 acres of cleared land, 300 acres of woodland, three horses, and three cows. He was one of the first elders of the Weisenberg church. Jacob Holben died Aug. 22, 1794, aged 76 years, 7 months and 4 weeks. He married Catharine Weiss and had six children: Anna Margaret, born Dec. 24, 1743; Jacob; Theobald; Lorentz; Wendel; and Anna Catharine, born Feb. 26, 1756.

Jacob was born Feb. 23, 1748. He married and had several children.

Theobald was born April 13, 1749. He was by occupation a farmer and blacksmith. He died April 18, 1837. He married, Nov. 15, 1768, Sara Gerber, who was born Aug. 16, 1745, and died Dec. 20, 1837. They had no children, and are both buried in the old cemetery at the Weisenberg church.

Lorentz Holben was born Jan. 29, 1750. He was a farmer in Weisenberg, where he owned a tract of 140 acres, including the homestead. In 1777 he was a member of Capt. Marburger's company of the 3d Battalion of Northampton County Militia, commanded by Colonel Michael Bobst. The gun used by him in the Revolution is still in the possession of the family, owned by Dr. F. J. Holben. His three brothers were also members of this company. He was a member of the Reformed congregation at Weisenberg church. His death occurred June 23, 1842. He married, Jan. 25, 1774, Catharine Kramlich, and had seven children.

Wendel Holben was born July 1, 1752. He lived on a farm of 140 acres in Weisenberg and had children, among them: Magdalena, Catharine, Catharine Elizabeth, and Regina Barbara.

The seven children of Lorentz Holben were sons, named Christian, Frederick, John, Solomon, Peter, Jacob, and Lorentz. Christian married, in 1794, Maria Bachman and removed to Ohio. Frederick married, in 1796, Anna Margaret Bear and went West. John died in the War of 1812-14. Lorentz married in 1801, Catharine Peter.

Solomon married and had two sons: Solomon and Phaon.

Peter Holben married Magdalena Bachman and had four sons: Gideon, Peter, Reuben and Joseph. Joseph Holben was born Jan. 5, 1827, in Weisenberg, where he was a farmer and distiller. He was an elder of the Weisenberg church, where he was buried upon his death, Sept. 17, 1901, of apoplexy, after an illness of seventeen days. He married, Jan. 30, 1864, Fi-

anna, daughter of Jonas Gerner and his wife, Leah Ziegler, of Macungie township, where she was born, Sept. 16, 1838, and died Oct. 21, 1912. They had three children: Albert, the eldest, was born Oct. 23, 1864. He married Jane Everett, and had five children: Preston, of Ironton; Lasta, wife of Fred Shellhammer; Leda; Perma, wife of Asa Schlauch; and Warren.

DR. FRANKLIN J. HOLBEN, second son of Joseph Holben, was born in Weisenberg township, Aug. 21, 1868. He attended the schools of the vicinity, Kutztown State Normal School, and select schools in Grim's and Weisenberg districts. He then entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College, of New York City, from which he graduated March 8, 1889. He settled, prior to his graduation, in 1888, at Lyon Valley. In 1902, he took a post graduate course at the New York Medical School. He remained at Lyon Valley fourteen years, as a general practitioner, and in connection with his professional duties, conducted the hotel, a gristmill and a 48-acre farm. He then removed to Schnecksville, where he is still located. Dr. Holben is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society, Central Lodge, No. 636, I. O. O. F., of Jordan, and the Mutual Aid Association of Leather Corner Post. He married, March 4, 1886, Miss M. Alice Walbert, daughter of Levi and Mary (Barner) Walbert, of Hynemansville. They have three children: Estella M. F., born Aug. 27, 1886, who married, March 2, 1904, Charles L. Hollenbach, of 1601 Chew street, Allentown, and has one son, Aral; Pearl L. D., born May 7, 1890, a graduate of the St. Agnes Hospital Training School for Nurses, of Philadelphia, who married, April 29, 1912, Dr. David Nathan, of Norristown, formerly of Montreal, Canada; and Arthur F. J., born April 12, 1893, a graduate of the North Whitehall high school, and the Nazareth Military Academy, now attending the Army and Navy Preparatory School at Washington, D. C.

Milton Holben, youngest son of Joseph, was born Nov. 27, 1871. He resides at Lyon Valley and has three children: Lawrence, Nevin, and Malera.

Jacob Holben, son of Lorentz, was born April 3, 1785. He became the owner of the old homestead, of which he sold 128 acres to George Custard in 1812 and retained 72 acres. In 1813 he built a stone gristmill about half a mile south of the old mill on the tract. He died June 15, 1857. His wife, Gertrude Mattern, was born April 9, 1785, and died Aug. 21, 1876. They had children, viz: Lydia, Elizabeth, Patty, Jacob, David, and Andrew.

David Holben was born at the homestead in 1826 and died there Dec. 25, 1882. He married Caroline Hartman, who died Oct. 18, 1879, aged 53 years. Their children were: Sarah, wife of Richard Creitz; Emma, wife of Daniel Miller; Monroe J.; William; Mary, wife of Noah Naakbein; and Alice, wife of Rev. A. C. Wuchter.

Dr. Monroe J. Holben, of Slatington, was born Aug. 29, 1851, at Lynnville. He was educated in the public schools, Freeland Seminary, Palatinate College, and Keystone State Normal School. After teaching a few years he entered in 1875, the Hahnemann Medical College. He married, in 1876, Matilda, daughter of Peter Sell, and has a son, Dr. Malcolm D. Holben, a graduate of Slatington high school, Ursinus College, and Hahnemann Medical College, who assists his father in his professional duties.

Andrew Holben lived in Weisenberg, where he died in 1883, aged 82 years.

Jacob Holben, son of Jacob, was born near Lynnville in 1807. He was a miller and for some years operated the mill now owned by Daniel Miller. Subsequently he owned and conducted a mill near Pleasant Corner, and a foundry, where he manufactured farming implements, wood stoves and iron kettles. In 1865 he was elected sheriff of the county on the Democratic ticket, and removed to Allentown, and resided in the old jail at Fifth and Linden streets. He died in Allentown in 1871. He married Lydia Kocher, and had six children. The eldest, Prof. Oliver Holben, was a noted scholar and linguist, and taught languages in some of the leading American colleges, as well as in Prof. Rudy's famous school in Paris. He was also the author of a dictionary of 6,000 rare words. The other children of Jacob Holben were: Annie and Amelia, who died single; Elizabeth, wife of Henry Seip; Hon. Evan Holben, former state senator; and Wayne.

WAYNE HOLBEN, former county commissioner, was born in Heidelberg township, Oct. 8, 1840. From 1862 to 1865 he was in the government service in Ohio and Missouri. In 1865, he became his father's deputy in the sheriff's office, and in the same year began the business of an auctioneer, at the present time one of the oldest in the county. Always a Democrat in politics, in 1879 he was elected a member of city council, and was also elected one of the first three assessors of the city, but declined to serve. He married, in 1868, Annie C., daughter of Daniel and Telerah (Walters) Fusselman, of Albany township, Berks county, and has since resided continuously at 207 Ridge avenue. Their children are: George O., Jacob W., Daniel, Mary, An-



na, Evan, Wayne, Millie, Edwin, Raymond, Kate and Mary.

Another branch of the Holben family settled in Lynn township, where Sylvester Holben warranted 200 acres in 1750. In 1768 he was the owner of 40 acres of cleared land and had a son, William, who was then single.

#### HOLLENBACH FAMILY.

The ship "Neptune," which arrived at Philadelphia September 24, 1754, had among its passengers the following: Michael Hollenbach, Nicholas Hollenbach, Johan George Hollenbach, and Michael Hollenbach. The relationship of these pioneers is not known. Tradition states that Michael Hollenbach came to this country with several sons and located in Berks county, Pennsylvania. The tax-list of 1759 records the names of Michael and George Hollenbach, the former in Albany township, and the latter in Windsor. In the year 1802, a George Hollenbach is recorded a resident of Mahantango township in Schuylkill county.

In Northumberland county, Pennsylvania, there is a large family, which claims Michael Hollenbach as its ancestor. This pioneer was born in Briesen, in Germany, and came to America with his father when but five years of age. He spent his youth in Berks county, and settled in Upper Augusta township, Northumberland county, when a young man. He is doubtless a son of Michael Hollenbach who in 1759 had settled in Albany township.

Michael Hollenbach was married to Elizabeth Lantz, of Northumberland county. He was a farmer and is buried at Lantz's church in the township where he settled. Their children were: Daniel, Charles, Henry, Samuel, Eliza, Hannah, Catharine and Mrs. Haupt.

Heinrich Hollenbach, probably a son of (John) George, of Windsor, married Elizabeth Moyer, and to them were born children as follows: Daniel, 1781-1866, m. Catherine Stein, 1784-1862. John m. a Kistler. Heinrich, 1791-1874, m. Marie Magdalena Moll, 1800-1871. Elizabeth, 1798-1883, m. William Lewars. Jacob, 1807-1871, is mentioned below. Maria m. Calvin Goodman. Eva, 1811-1871, m. Jeremiah Jacoby, 1811-1855. Catherine m. Samuel Ruth. Kate m. a Mr. Butz, of Genessee county, New York.

Jacob Hollenbach, son of Heinrich, was born Jan. 10, 1807, in Windsor township, and died March 15, 1871. When a young man he learned the trade of a carpenter, which occupation he followed for a number of years, but finally purchased the farm of 130 acres, in Perry township, which is now in the possession of his son, Jacob.

He was a well-known and influential citizen of his day, and at the time of his death was in comfortable circumstances. On Jan. 2, 1830, he was married to Rebecca Kistler, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Stein) Kistler, of Albany township, and to this union there were born children as follows: Henry m. Catherine Reber; Johannes, died in his 23rd year; Nicholas, mentioned below; Caroline, m. Reuben Kauffman; Rebecca, m. Levi Freeman; Lydia, m. Moses Elting; Amelia, m. Solomon Koller; Mesitta, m. Aspin Kershner; and Jacob.

Jacob Hollenbach was married to a Comp (Kemp) and was buried at Wessnersville. His children were: David, Julian (m. Lafayette Kunkel), William and Jacob. His great-grandfather is said to have lived in Northumberland county, Pa.

Jacob Hollenbach, son of Jacob, was born June 2, 1826, and died on his farm near Wessnersville June 26, 1895. He was a carpenter by trade and carried it on for twenty years; then he began farming on a 101-acre farm, where he died. The barn on the farm was built by him in 1885. He was a Lutheran member of the Frieden's church and served in all the offices; and he was also one of the building committee which remodeled the church. His wife was Eliza Kunkel, daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Dietrich) Kunkel, and they had the following children: Malinda (m. Jeremiah Roth); Jacob (who died young), Amanda (m. William Fens-termacher), Levi (who died young), Rosa (m. Joseph Henry), Mary, Wilson (at Auburn), Emma (m. Monroe D. Henry), and Charles V.

CHARLES V. HOLLENBACH, son of Jacob, is a prosperous farmer near Lynnvile. He was born near Wessnersville in Berks county, Dec. 28, 1872. He was reared on a farm and began farming for himself in 1900 on the John Hunsicker farm, where he was a tenant for eight years. In the Fall of 1907 he purchased the Ephraim Schwoyer farm (formerly that of Phaon Krause), situated in Lynn township, on the public road leading from Lynnvile to New Tripoli, containing 101 acres, and locally known as the "Sunny View Farm." He has the farm in a high state of cultivation and raises large crops of potatoes.

Mr. Hollenbach is a Democrat and filled local offices. He is a Lutheran member of Frieden's church at Wessnersville, which he served as a deacon. He was married January 1, 1898, to Rosa, daughter of William and Mary (Braucher) Greenawald and they have four children: William J., Alvin (who died in infancy), Calvin M. and Edna Rosa.

The Hollenbachs at Hamburg, in Berks county, are related to the Hollenbachs in Lynn township.

Peter Hollenbach was a farmer and lived in Lowhill township, between Bittner's Corner and Pleasant Corner. His farm, which was upwards of 100 acres, is now owned by Frank Kocher. He was a member of the Lowhill Church, and probably is buried there. His wife, Gertrude, bore him these children: Andrew, Peter, Jr., Gideon, John, Jonathan, Mrs. Solomon Schaffer and Mrs. Elias Lentz.

John Hollenbach, son of Peter Sr., conducted what is still known as "Hollenbach's Mill" in Lowhill. Some years before the Civil War he sold the mill to his oldest son, Moses, and moved upon a small farm in Heidelberg township. There he died about 1871, aged 56 years. He was married to Maria (Polly) Mosser, a daughter of Philip Mosser. Both are buried at Unionville. They were Lutherans. Their children were: Moses, Mary, married to Nathan Shirey; David, conducted the hotel at Newhards for many years, but died at Allentown, where he is buried on the Union cemetery; Caroline, married to Henry Leh, and John H.

Moses Hollenbach, son of John, was born in Lowhill township, July 7, 1830. He learned the millwright trade, which was the principal vocation of his life, having followed it in many sections of Lehigh, Northampton, Carbon and Berks counties. He traveled many miles by foot with his working utensils upon his back. He was also the proprietor of "Hollenbach's Mill" for a number of years, being succeeded by his son, Thomas B., who was born in 1865. Moses Hollenbach was an honest and respected citizen and reared a family of nine children. He was married to Ellen Scheirer, who preceded him in death in 1885, as did some of their children. He died on Oct. 19, 1913, with his daughter, Mrs. James D. Reber, at Allentown. He was survived by two sons and four daughters namely: Frank H., whose sketch follows; Thomas B., Amanda, married to Peter Hoffman, of Neffs; Catharine, married to J. M. Diehl, of Birmingham, N. Y.; Emma, married to Dr. James Haas, and Sarah, married to James D. Reber.

FRANK H. HOLLENBACH, owner and proprietor of the Sand Spring or Wotring's Mill, is a son of Moses Hollenbach, who for many years operated Hollenbach's mill in Lowhill township, and a grandson of John and Maria Hollenbach. Moses was born July 7, 1830. In boyhood he attend the public schools and for a short time was a student in a private school at New Lexington. As a young man he learned the

trade of mill wrighting, which was his principal vocation in addition to which he superintended the running of his own mill and the tilling of 25 acres of land belonging to the mill. He was married to Ellen Scheirer, who departed this life Nov. 21, 1885. This union was blessed with nine children, of whom the following were living in 1894: Malissa, m. to Franklin Zimmerman; Amanda, m. to Peter Hoffman; Franklin H.; Catherine, m. J. M. Diehl; Thomas H.; Emma, m. to Dr. James Haas; and Sarah. In politics he was a Democrat and in religion a faithful member of the Unionville Lutheran congregation. The mill was erected by Michael Wotring, Sr., in 1832, who conducted it for many years, when he was succeeded by his son, Michael, Jr., who, after operating it a few years, sold it. After passing through various hands it was purchased in 1886 by Moses Hollenbach.

Frank H. Hollenbach, was born in Lowhill township March 3, 1861. He received his early training in the township schools and at the age of sixteen learned the art of milling from his father, with whom he remained until reaching majority, when he entered into the employ of the Mauser Mill Co., at Trichlers. In 1886 he began operating the present mill property and by business tact and strict honesty, won the confidence of the community and built up a splendid trade, and a handsome fortune. In 1888 he introduced the roller process and began making a fine brand of flour, which soon became very popular, selling it under the name of the Queen Ann, of which he manufactures about three thousand barrels per year. His trade is largely confined to the community, whose confidence and goodwill he enjoys. Like his father he is a Democrat in politics, and in religion an adherent of the Lutheran faith. He at present is serving the Unionville congregation in the capacity of an elder. In 1882 he was married to Anna L. Zimmerman, a daughter of Peter Zimmerman of Lowhill township. This union was blessed with two children, a son, Martin M., a bookkeeper, and a daughter, Carrie K. The latter is a young lady of culture and refinement, and is engaged in the profession of teaching. She was born Jan. 29, 1888, in N. Whitehall township. After completing the course of instruction offered by the local schools she entered the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, from which she was graduated in the spring of 1908. In the fall of the same year she was employed as a teacher at Egypt and has continued there ever since. She is a member of the Unionville Lutheran congregation, and is very active in the Union Sunday-school.



HENRY A. HOLLENBACH.

Henry A. Hollenbach, farmer of Lowhill township, was born April 3, 1858, on the place which he owns and occupies, and he was brought up on the farm and educated in the township school. He assisted his grandfather until his death in 1878, when he became the owner of the plantation by devise and he has carried it on until the present time. It comprises 60 acres. He has served the township as auditor and assessor, and filled the position of local Democratic committeeman for the last twenty years. For thirty-five years he has been prominently identified with the Sunday schools of Lowhill, acting first as superintendent of the organization in the Pleasant Corner school, and then in the Water Pond school.

In 1879 he was married to Maggie Peter, daughter of Moses Peter, of Washington township, and they had one child, Lewis, married to Daisy Millhouse (who have a son named Miles Henry, two having died in infancy).

His father, Lewis Hollenbach, was born 1834 on the farm mentioned and there brought up. He received his education in the township school and also at East Stroudsburg and Allentown, after which he taught school in Upper Macungie and Heidelberg districts for ten years. He also studied the business of a veterinarian under Owen Snyder and followed it in the surrounding country for ten miles. He was a Democrat in politics and attended many county conventions as a delegate. He died in 1867. He was married to Caroline Briner, a daughter of Solomon, of Breinigsville, and they had one son, Henry A. She died in 1904, aged 67 years.

His grandfather, Andrew Hollenbach, bought the farm mentioned in 1825 and cultivated it until his decease in 1878 when it became the property of his grandson, Henry A., by devise in his last will. He was a member of the Weisenberg Church and served as an elder. He died at the age of 78 years. He was married to Magdalena Smith, a daughter of Christian, of Heidelberg, and they had an only child, Andrew. She died in 1880, aged 76 years.

Christian Smith was one of the early taxables of Heidelberg, having taken up 190 acres, and been included in the assessment of 1781.

John H. Hollenbach, son of John, was born in Lowhill, Feb. 27, 1840. He taught school in Lowhill from 1859 to 1861 inclusive. Afterward he became a clerk in the store at Werley's Corner until he engaged in the mercantile business at Newhards where he remained three years. Mr. Hollenbach went west one year and upon his return, again engaged in business, conducting

a general store at Pleasant Corner for eleven years. He next kept store at Bittner's Corner for six years, then clerked in the store at Walnutport for eight years. In 1902 he came to Allentown and accepted the position as floor walker with Bittner, Hunsicker & Co.

He was married, first, to Annie, a daughter of Gideon Werley. They had one son, Albert M., whose history follows. He married, second, to Messina Zimmerman, a daughter of Solomon Zimmerman. They have three children, viz: Laura, married to Richard Heberly; Martha, single, and Fred, of Allentown.

ALBERT M. HOLLENBACH, son of John H., was born March 16, 1867, in Heidelberg township. He was a carpet salesman for four years in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1890 he went to Detroit, Michigan, and followed the same business for two years. In 1892 he returned to Allentown and was employed as a traveling salesman by Bittner, Hunsicker & Co., until on Feb. 1, 1895, at which time he resigned to engage in the laundry business at Fountain Hill, this he has carried on successfully up to the present. A notice of his business is found in volume I, of this history.

Mr. Hollenbach is an active member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, of South Bethlehem. He has served it as deacon and is now an elder since 1907. Socially he is a member of the South Bethlehem Lodge, No. 267, K. of P. He married in 1897, Miss Minnie M. Kressley, a daughter of Jacob and Maria Kressley. They have an only daughter—Margaret K. Hollenbach.

MARCUS S. HOTTENSTEIN, ESQ.

Marcus Stephen Hottenstein was born in Allentown, Penna., on Aug. 19, 1876, the son of Charles L. and Amanda H. (Butz) Hottenstein. Both his father and mother are descendants of some of the early German settlers in Berks and Lehigh counties. The first Hottenstein in this section of the country, a descendant of Reidbold von Hottenstein, settled in Berks county in 1729.

Marcus S. Hottenstein acquired his early education in the Allentown public schools, graduating from the high school with first honors in 1892. He also took first honors at graduation from Muhlenberg College in 1896. His legal studies, inaugurated in the office of Hon. Edward Harvey, were completed in the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated a Bachelor of Laws, with the distinction of *cum laude*, in 1899.

He was admitted to practice at the bar of Philadelphia county in June, 1899, and at the

bar of Lehigh county in July, of the same year. He immediately entered into the active practice of the law at Allentown, where he remained for more than fourteen years.

In 1910, he commenced to take considerable interest in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act, and continued to make investigations on the subject of monopolies and combinations until December, 1913, when the attorney general of the United States, Hon. James Clark McReynolds, now an associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, tendered him the appointment of special assistant to the attorney general for trust cases. The appointment was accepted, and he is now located in the Department of Justice at Washington, D. C., devoting his time exclusively to cases arising under the Federal anti-trust Act.

Mr. Hottenstein is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, F. & A. Masons, of Allen Royal Arch Chapter, and of Allen Commandery, at Allentown, Pa.; and of Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. Shrine, at Reading, Pa. He is a member of the Livingston Club, and of the Lodge of Elks at Allentown. At Muhlenberg he joined the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, and at the University of Pennsylvania, he joined the Kent Law Club. He is a member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and of the American Bar Association; and also a member of the Academy of Political Science in the city of New York; and of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. He is affiliated with St. John's Reformed church, at Allentown.

On June 18, 1901, Mr. Hottenstein was married to Nina B. Ruhe, youngest daughter of the late Charles H. Ruhe. They have one child, Louise R., who was born in May, 1904.

#### GEORGE H. HOLTON.

George H. Holton, late president of the Bryden Horse Shoe Company, of Catasauqua, Pa., elder son of George and Hope Mary (Counce) Holton, was born in London, England, April 24, 1868.

Having received a scientific education in schools of Norwood, Surrey, and the city of London, England, came to America in 1886, and was naturalized in the early '90's. Entered the iron and steel industry in the employ of the Pencoyd Iron Works, of Philadelphia. In 1889 he became inspector for G. W. G. Ferris & Co., of Pittsburgh, in eastern territory, and had charge of the inspection and testing of the cast iron segments used in the construction of the first tunnel under the Hudson river, now known as the Hoboken tunnel, originally undertaken by Pearson & Co., of London, England. From 1892 to time

of his death, he was connected with the horse shoe manufacturing branch of the industry, beginning as salesman for the Bryden Horse Shoe Company. His remarkable business ability and tact in dealing with his fellowmen gained for him rapid advancement to the offices of vice-president and sales manager, and at the death of Mr. Oliver Williams in 1904 he was elected president and treasurer of that company.

Aside from being an authority among his business associates throughout the country, Mr. Holton held a large place in the hearts of his townsmen and in the life of the community. At the time of his death on February 10, 1913, he was a member of the Catasauqua town council, a director of the National bank of Catasauqua, Pa., and for many years a director of the Cement National bank of Northampton, Pa., president and treasurer of Emanuel & Company, Catasauqua, Pa.

He was a member of the Railroad and Engineers Clubs of New York city, the Pennsylvania Society of New York, Catasauqua Club, Northampton Country Club, and vice-president of the Lehigh Country Club.

Few men in so comparatively few years have left so deep an impression upon a community and so strong a sense of helpfulness as did Mr. Holton, and to have been taken away at the age of forty-four years made the loss to the community seem almost irreparable.

Mr. Holton married Jessica, youngest daughter of the late Mr. Oliver Williams, and leaves besides his widow, three children, Oliver Williams, Kathryn, and Jessica Williams Holton.

His death occurred suddenly at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York city.

Funeral services were conducted at Catasauqua by the Rev. George L. Gongaware, of Pittsburgh, and interment was made in Fairview cemetery, Catasauqua, Pa.

#### CHARLES H. HONTZ.

Charles Henry Hontz, chief engineer at the Dery Silk Mill in Catasauqua, was born Feb. 25, 1885, at East Mauch Chunk and there educated in the public schools, while reared on a farm. After working for several years as a teamster in Mauch Chunk and a motorman with the Lehigh Valley Traction Company at Allentown, he entered the Dery silk mill at Mauch Chunk and filled the positions of fireman, assistant engineer, and chief engineer until April, 1914, when he was promoted to the position of chief engineer in the Dery silk mill at Catasauqua, which position he now holds. He married, in 1914, Mamie C. Boyle, daughter of Neil and Annie Boyle, of Allentown, where she was grad-





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uated from the high school in 1905, and also from the American Commercial College. They are members of the Catholic Church.

His father, Hiram Hontz, was born at Mauch Chunk in 1834, where he was engaged in the dairy business for a time, and then in the lumber business. He died in 1911. He was married to Amanda Klotz, and they had fourteen children: Mary and Hannah, who have died; Ida, married Edward Deppy; Asa, Susie, and Emma, who have died; Fannie, married Franklin Trout; Layton; Emily, married W. E. Armbruster; Harry; Lizzie, married C. C. Brown; Georgie, married Thomas Harder; Charles H.; and Eugene. The widow resides at Lehigh Tannery, in Schuylkill county.

#### DANIEL G. HOPKINS.

Daniel George Hopkins, one of the most progressive farmers in Lehigh county, and now engaged in conducting the six farms of George H. Hardner, in Lowhill, N. Whitehall and Upper Macungie township, together embracing 600 acres, was born June 27, 1872, in Greenwich township, Berks county, and when ten months old was taken to Reuben Shuler, a farmer of Weisenberg township, where he was reared until he became fifteen years old. He received his education in the township school and in American Business College, at Allentown. He was then engaged at farming until 1895 (excepting a short time when he followed teamstering). For four years previous to 1895 he had taken up the study of religion during his leisure moments and when he was licensed as a preacher by the Evangelical Association was appointed to the Pleasant Valley Circuit in Bucks county. He filled this position with great promise for two years but an increasing weakness of his voice obliged him to relinquish his chosen profession and he resumed his occupation of farming. After conducting the farm of his father-in-law, Wm. J. Schantz, for one year and the 500-acre farm of the Lehigh Portland Cement Co. at Ormrod for three years and soliciting insurance for the Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. from his station at Slatington for a short time, he took charge of six large farms belonging to George H. Hardner, Esq. (which cover 600 acres of land in Lowhill, N. and S. Whitehall and Upper Macungie townships), on March 28, 1906, and since then has directed their operation in a most successful manner and placed them in a superior state of cultivation.

Mr. Hopkins has identified himself with the Loyal Order of Buffalos, the Independent Order of Americans, and I. O. of Red Men at Allentown; also the Knights of the Golden Eagle, at

Claussville; and he has served Lowhill township as a school director.

He was married to Emma R. Schantz, daughter of Wm. J. (farmer and experienced veterinary surgeon of Upper Macungie, who carried on the business very successfully for upwards of 50 years); and they had five children: Clara E. (graduate in 1910 and post-graduate in 1911 of the Lowhill schools, and in 1912 of the American Commercial School at Allentown, and now filling in a very capable manner a position of stenographer at Allentown); Eddie G. and Lila M. (who also graduated from the Lowhill school in 1913); Pearl Ada; and one died in infancy.

His father was Effinger G. Hopkins, of Greenwich township, who for some time carried on farming and butchering in Greenwich township, Berks county, then located in New York City; and his grandfather was William Hopkins, a cigar manufacturer, of Maxatawny township, near Bower's Station, in Berks county.

The father of Mrs. Hopkins was married to Rebecca Medina Walbert, daughter of Nathan, a farmer of Weisenberg township, and they had three children: Albert F. (m. Lizzie Krasely); Achilles A. (m. Lizzie Reinert); and Emma R. He died 1899, aged 74 years; and his wife in 1904, aged 60 years.

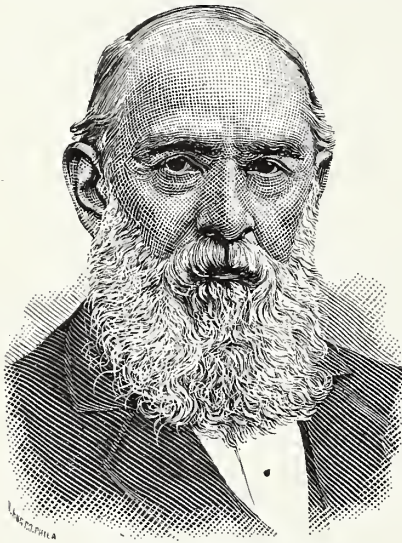
#### HORN FAMILY.

Abraham and John Horn were brothers who settled respectively at Easton and Allentown. John Horn was born Jan. 10, 1754, and died Nov. 25, 1800. He married, Oct. 26, 1775, Magdalena Troxell, who was born June 20, 1756, and died June 13, 1823. They had eight children: John, born Aug. 18, 1776, died Aug. 8, 1824, married Elizabeth Herz; Catharine, born Nov. 29, 1777; Susanna, born Oct. 7, 1779; Jacob, born Aug. 12, 1781; Abraham, born Nov. 2, 1784; Barbara, born Feb. 18, 1788; Magdalena, born Feb. 21, 1790; and Samuel, born March 28, 1796.

Abraham Horn was born Dec. 31, 1756, and died May 21, 1826. He was a sergeant in Capt. Thomas Craig's company in the Revolution, and became a lieutenant colonel in the War of 1812. He married Susanna, daughter of Melchior and Mary Hay. She was born May 18, 1760, and died June 28, 1827. Among their children were: Abraham, born Feb. 1, 1778, who became a captain in the 1812 War, and later postmaster of Easton; John, a 1st lieutenant in the same war; Catharine, born Dec. 21, 1779; Samuel; Joseph; and Melchior. Melchior Horn was born Dec. 29, 1786 and died May 31, 1863. He married Isabella, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Traill. She was born Oct. 10, 1786, and died

April 24, 1841. They had ten children: Sybilla; Robina; Robert T.; John J.; Isabella R.; Melchior H., of Catasauqua; Enoch H.; Philip H.; Sarah and Maria. He married a second time and had a son, William P. Horn.

Colonel Melchior Hay Horn, who died at Catasauqua in 1890, was a descendant of Abraham Horn, of Easton, (born in Philadelphia) who was appointed a sergeant in Captain Thomas Craig's company, Second Pennsylvania Battalion,



COL. MELCHIOR H. HORN.

Jan. 5, 1776, and served under General Arthur St. Clair in his Canadian campaign during the Revolution; he afterward served during the War of 1812, as lieutenant-colonel of First R. P. V. R. (Thomas Humphrey, Colonel). In this regiment under him served seven of his sons and sons-in-law, viz: Captain Abraham Horn, second; first lieutenant, John Horn; sergeants, Melchior Horn, Samuel Moore, Jacob Shipe; musicians, Samuel Horn and Joseph Horn.

Abraham Horn, senior, married Susan Hay, a daughter of Melchior Hay, a pioneer settler of Easton, who came here in 1738. He was of Scotch descent, a son of Malcolm Hay, who emigrated to Bavaria, where he married a German woman.

Melchior Hay became a large property owner on the South Side, where South Easton is now located. During the Revolution was one of the Committee of Safety, and served in the army as a captain.

Melchior Hay Horn, first, was a son of Abraham Horn, and his wife, Susan Hay, as stated above. He served in the War of 1812. He married Isabella Traill, a daughter of Robert Traill.

who was born in Sanda, Orkney Island, April 29, 1744. He left his home and sailed for Philadelphia in October, 1763. After a passage of ten weeks he arrived in the city of Brotherly Love. He came from there to Easton; he taught school; studied law; served as sheriff of the county; was admitted to the bar of Northampton county in 1777 and became the third lawyer in Easton. He acted as clerk of the Committee of Safety, and was commissioned a major during the Revolution. The children of Melchior Hay Horn and his wife, Isabella Traill, were: Sabilla, Robina, Robert, John, Isabella, Melchior, Enoch, Philip, Sarah, and Maria. By a second marriage he had one son, William.

Melchior Hay Horn, second, was born in Easton, Pennsylvania, April 9, 1822, and died at Catasauqua, Feb. 28, 1890. His early life was spent at Easton, where he was educated at the famous Vanderveer school. A number of years he was employed in Winter & Yohe's store. He was in business for himself for a short time, but this venture not being a marked success, he worked at his profession, as a surveyor and engineer, and then entered the employ of the Farmers and Mechanics' Banks, of Easton, as teller. In 1857, when he was thirty-five years old, he was chosen as cashier of the newly organized bank of Catasauqua. Here he served as cashier until 1888, when he became president of the institution, which position he held until his death in 1890. At the breaking out of the Civil War he was on the staff of Governor Curtin, and was immediately called into service, to aid in forwarding troops to the front. In 1862 he was elected major of the Fifth Regiment (Col. H. C. Longnecker), and in 1863 he was elected colonel of the 38th Pennsylvania Militia (the Iron Regiment), and was sworn into the United States service. He took great interest in local affairs. In 1858, shortly after his arrival in Catasauqua, he was elected a school director, and as he had taken great interest in school affairs at his old home at Easton, where educational matters were more advanced, he was able to be of great benefit to the town in that capacity. He was re-elected for eighteen consecutive years, until he was unwilling to longer serve. He served one term as burgess of the borough.

He was largely instrumental in the establishment of the English Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, and was for many years superintendent of the Sunday school of that church.

Colonel Horn was one of the foremost citizens of Catasauqua, always ready to be of help to others. He was one of a group of strong men in the early days of Catasauqua who worked for the welfare of the town in a way that should be



made a pattern for the men of our more selfish generation.

Melchior Hay Horn was married to Matilda L. Heller, of Easton, on Oct. 12, 1845, and their children were: Susan Butz, married to Martin L. Dreisbach in 1874, they have two children: Matilda Elizabeth and John Martin, all living at Easton. William Heller Horn, unmarried, now employed in the City of Mexico. Rev. Edward Traill Horn, D.D., LL.D., Professor at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia; married to Harriet Chisolm, of Charleston, S. C. Their children are: Professor Robert Chisolm Horn, Ph.D., professor at Muhlenberg College. Rev. William Melchior Horn, pastor of Lutheran Church in New York City. Isabella Traill, (deceased); Harriet Emily; Rev. Edward Traill Horn, Jr., a Lutheran missionary in Japan; Mary Gregg; and M. Hay (deceased).

FRANK MELCHIOR HORN, born 1852, cashier of the National Bank of Catasauqua, a graduate of the high school of Catasauqua, class of 1868; Worshipful Master of Porter Lodge, F. A. M. in 1895; a member of the Catasauqua Club; Charotin Club; Livingston Club, and of the Lehigh Country Club; a member of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution; of the Pennsylvania German Society; Allen Commandery K. T.; Allen Council; and a noble of Rajah Temple, at Reading.

He married in 1882, Elizabeth F. Williams, eldest daughter of John and Emma Caroline (nee Heilig) Williams, of Catasauqua. Their children are: Melchoir Hay Horn, 3rd; Emma Williams, married to Cornelius Van Imogen, of New York, in 1911; Susan; and Eleanor Traill; Dr. Harry Yohe Horn, of Coplay; Isabella Traill Horn, (deceased); Charles Robert Horn, of Catasauqua.

DR. HARRY Y. HORN, of Coplay, was born in Catasauqua in 1859. He was educated in the public schools of Catasauqua, graduating from the high school in 1875, and in Lehigh University. He then entered Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, from which he graduated in 1879. He began the practice of his profession the same year at Laury's Station, and after the death of Dr. Buebner, at Coplay, the following year, he removed to that borough where he has built up a large practice. Dr. Horn is surgeon for the Lehigh Valley Railroad and the Atlas Cement Company, and is on the staff of the Allentown Hospital. He is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society, Lehigh Valley Medical Society and the State Medical Association and is frequently called into consultation with physicians of nearby towns.

In 1900, Dr. Horn opened a drug store at Coplay, which he still conducts. He was one of the organizers of the Coplay National Bank in 1908, and has been president since its organization. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. In politics he is a staunch Democrat and has been a member of the borough council for many years, and burgess for three years, and of the school board for sixteen years.

Dr. Horn was married in 1881, to Miss Annie Heller, daughter of Peter Heller, of Allentown. They had six children: Matilda H., a graduate of the Coplay high school, 1899, Bethlehem Moravian Seminary, 1901, and of the Allentown Hospital in 1908 as a trained nurse; Isabella, married to Charles S. Dilcher, of Allentown; George P., a graduate of the chemical department of the Staunton Military Academy, who was a chemist of the Atlas Cement Company for five years, and is now in San Antonio, Texas; Robert T., deceased; Anna H., a graduate of the Coplay high school, 1908; and Harry Y., Jr., a graduate of the Catasauqua high school, 1911, a chemist of the Atlas Cement Company, at present a student in Valparaiso University, Indiana. Mrs. Horn died in 1887. Dr. Horn married as his second wife, Miss Florence Heller, daughter of Charles Heller, of Allentown. They have three children: Fannie H., Charles W., and Louise.

CHARLES ROBERT HORN, the secretary and general sales agent of the Davies & Thomas Company, Catasauqua, is a native of Catasauqua, Pa., where he resides and was born Oct. 13, 1863, being the youngest son of Melchior H. Horn. He was graduated from the Catasauqua high school in 1879, and in that year began working in the National Bank of Catasauqua, becoming its cashier in 1890, and continued uninterruptedly until 1898, when he connected himself with the Davies & Thomas Company, as their general agent with offices in New York City.

Mr. Horn has been prominently identified with the social and political affairs of his town for many years. As a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M., he served as worshipful master in 1894; is a member of Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278, R. A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; and Lulu Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Philadelphia; the I. O. O. F., and the Encampment. He was past grand of the lodge in 1887. Mr. Horn is a member of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. He was chief burgess of Catasauqua from 1894-1897; and in 1896 was a delegate to the Palmer and Buckner State Convention that met in Philadelphia.

He was married June 23, 1886, to Blanche Thomas, daughter of James Thomas. They have these children: Isabella T., Mary, deceased; Catharine R.; James T.; Blanche, deceased; and Helen.

George Henry Horn, a pioneer, at the time of his death in the Fall of 1809, lived in East Penn township, Northampton county. At the time of the making of his last will and testament he was in failing health, and an item in the will states as follows: "I am very sick and weak." The instrument was made October 17, 1809, and probated November 20th of the same year. His wife Otilia survived him. The children were: Jasper, Jacob, Christian and John.

Christian Horn, the third son, settled near Lynnport, where he was a farmer. He died late in June, 1859, an aged man, and is buried at Jacksonville. His wife, Maria Everett, preceded him in death. She was a native of Lynn. They were Lutherans. Their children were: Peter, who was a farmer in Lynn; John; Samuel; Thomas, and Maria.

John Horn, son of Christian, a farmer at Ringtown, in Schuylkill county, where he owned and carried on a farm of 60 acres. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation at Ringtown and served it as an official. He died about 1877, at the age of 62 years. He and his wife, Catharine Zimmerman, are buried at the above church. Mrs. Horn was a daughter of Jacob Zimmerman. Their eight children were: Lucy, (married Jonas Weiss, who served in the Civil War and lived at Gordon Plains); Catharine (married Adam Lindenmuth, and lived at Ringtown); Priscilla (married Joseph Stack, and lived in Mahanoy Plains); Christina (married Abraham Long, and lived at Ringtown); Mary (born on July 6, 1837, is the widow of Daniel Klase, a Civil War veteran, and lives at Allentown); William (of Ringtown); George, and John. All of them are deceased, excepting Christina, Mary and William.

John Horn, son of John, was born at Ringtown in 1841, and some time after the Civil War went to Chase, Lake county, Michigan, where he engaged in the lumber business as a saw-miller, and while working there the engine exploded and killed him, February 22, 1879. His wife was Sophia Deck, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Bower) Deck, and they had six children: Huldah, Cornelius, Ellen, Henry, Walter, and Cordelia. His widow is living at Ringtown, nearly 70 years of age. Her husband's body was brought East and buried at Ringtown.

Mr. Horn enlisted twice in the Civil War,

first in the nine months' service, and then by reenlistment, from the county of Schuylkill; and he was wounded twice. His two brothers were also in the service with him.

CORNELIUS HORN, son of John, miller, in Lynn township, was born June 2, 1868, in Luzerne county, and when seventeen years of age learned the milling trade at New Ringgold, Schuylkill county; then worked for James K. Mosser at Zion's Grove until 1894. Subsequently he was engaged at New Ringgold, Orwigsburg, and Mosserville until 1901, when he located at Bennighoff's mill in Lynn township, and there he has been employed since.

Mr. Horn was married in 1891 to Flora Ann Fink, daughter of Reuben and Polly (Rex) Fink, of East Penn township, in Carbon county, and they have three children: Ralph C., Beulah (who died in infancy), and Lucretia P. S. Mrs. Horn's father was Philip Rex.

#### REV. ABRAHAM R. HORNE.

Rev. Abraham Reasor Horne was born in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pa., and was a son of Daniel L. and Mary (Reasor) Horne. The home of his birth is still standing on the farm that Dr. Horne owned at the time of his demise. He was born March 24, 1834. He attended private schools and Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, graduating in 1858. Early in life he took to teaching and for three years taught public school half a mile from his home. In 1854 he taught at Bethlehem, Pa. From 1858 to 1863 he was principal of the Bucks County Normal and Classical School, assisted by Dr. H. L. Baugher, later Professor of Greek at Gettysburg College.

Dr. Horne was ordained a Lutheran clergyman in 1859, together with Revs. O. Leopold and B. Zweig, both of whom have also gone to their reward. He had a charge in Northampton county from 1863 to 1865, when he was called to the Lutheran church at Williamsport, where he remained until 1872. From 1867 to 1872 he was also superintendent of the schools of that city. From 1872 to 1877 Dr. Horne was principal of the Kutztown Normal School and increased its enrollment to over 500 students. At the same time he also supplied various Lutheran churches, Chestnut Hill, near Limeport, Pa., being one of them.

Dr. Horne came to Allentown in 1877 as principal of the normal and academic department of Muhlenberg College, where he remained until 1882. Then he was elected president of the Texas University, and in 1882 and 1883 he did institute work in Louisiana and Texas, and the following year in New Jersey. In 1885 Rev.



Joshua Yeager, who had succeeded his father, John Conrad Yeager, in a large Lehigh county parish, resigned because of his advanced years. Dr. Horne served the Shoenersville, Rittersville, Friedensville and Lehigh churches, also several preaching stations, amongst which were the chapels at Seidersville and Alburtis. He served as president of the large Allentown Conference. Dr. Horne was the founder of the *National Educator*, at Quakertown, in 1860, moved it to Allentown in 1877 and continued as editor to the time of his death.

Dr. Horne was a jovial Pennsylvania German. He was a recognized authority on the dialect and published a handbook on the language as spoken; also botany, experiments without apparatus, and was a frequent contributor to educational and religious papers. He was frequently elected to membership in the school board of his ward in Allentown, and always manifested great interest in the work. He also served as a member of the Board of Control from 1885 to 1891. Lebanon Valley College, Annville, conferred upon him the title of D.D. in 1881.

Dr. Horne was married to Jemima E., daughter of David and Sarah Yerkes. Six children were born unto them: Sadie J., wife of Hon. Joseph Mayne; Hattie B., wife of Harry A. Grammes; David R., Esq.; Thomas K. B.; Augustus F.; and M. Luther, who was teacher in the Allentown high school. Dr. Horn died suddenly Dec. 23, 1902, and his remains rest in Fairview cemetery, Allentown. Dr. Horne was of a genial nature and generous disposition, always cheerful and a friend to rich and poor alike.

#### HORNBECK FAMILY.

This family has been prominently identified with politics and in the medical profession of Lehigh county for a number of years. The family trace their ancestry to Dr. Jacob Hornbeck, a native of Sussex county, N. J.

Hon. John W. Hornbeck, son of Dr. Jacob Hornbeck, was born in Sussex county, N. J., was graduated from Union College in Schenectady, N. Y., and after completing his studies of Blackstone, located for his practice at Allentown, Pa. He was elected on the Whig ticket as a member of congress from Lehigh and Bucks counties, but died before the expiration of his term in 1849. He was prominently identified with the Presbyterian Church of Allentown, of which he was one of the organizers. He was married to Maria Martin, a daughter of Dr. Jacob Martin. Their union was blessed with four children.

Dr. M. E. Hornbeck, a son of Hon. John W. and Maria (Martin) Hornbeck, was born in Allentown, January 24th, 1842, and died in Cat-

asauqua, October 9, 1905. His primary education was received in the Allentown Academy, and he read medicine in the office of his uncle, Dr. T. H. Martin, in Allentown, with whom he remained until enlisting for nine months' service in the union army in 1862. He became a member of the One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth Pa. Infantry and was mustered in as hospital steward; and with his company which formed a part of the Twelfth Army Corps, was sent to join the army of the Potomac. They fought in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. Mr. Hornbeck was honorably discharged in May, 1863. In the fall of this year he entered the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated from the medical department in 1865. Locating at once in Catasauqua, which was then a small town, he started to practice in conjunction with his uncle, Dr. F. B. Martin. They practiced together until 1868, when the latter died. Dr. Hornbeck was a member of the Borough Board of Health and socially belonged to Fuller Post, G. A. R., of which he was surgeon; the Lehigh Medical Society, the Lehigh Valley Medical Association and the State Medical Association.

In 1868 he was married to Mary Laubach, a daughter of Hon. Joseph Laubach, who was associate judge of Northampton county for sixteen years. Two children were born to them, viz: Dr. James L. and Helen.

JAMES L. HORNBECK, M.D., of Catasauqua, was born in that borough May 10, 1873. He was educated in the public schools and graduated in the high school in 1889. His studies were continued in Willston Seminary, East Hampton, Mass., and the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia, from which institution he graduated in 1895. After his graduation he assisted his father up to the time of the latter's death, when he assumed charge of the practice for himself which has been very large. He has been president of the Board of Health of Catasauqua, for five years. Socially he is a member of Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M. and Catasauqua Chapter, No. 278, R. A. M. In 1901 he was married to Helen Thomas of Catasauqua. They have three children: Thomas M., James L., and Dorothy.

#### HOXWORTH FAMILY.

John Hoxworth located in Montgomery county, in 1730. His son, Peter, was a colonel in the war of 1812. Father and son were buried at White Marsh, near Philadelphia. Peter Hoxworth married Miss S—— Jenkin. John Hoxworth, born 1733, died 1777, married Elizabeth Jenkin, daughter of Jenkin and Mary Jenkin.

John J. Hoxworth was educated in the public schools, after which he became a blacksmith. In 1846, when he commenced farming pursuing this vocation until 1864, when he removed to Allentown and on Aug. 4 of that year he took charge of a welding furnace, owned by Mr. Albright, where he continued many years. He died in 1896 and was buried in West End cemetery.

He married Dinah Schwartz, of New Britain. Their children are: Lemuel, Burgess M., Amanda, Isabella and Emma. Lemuel assisted his father in the farm until 1868 when he was employed by the L. & S., East Penn, and other R. R. companies for 38 years. He is now living retired at Easton, Pa. Amanda married Harry Mull. She died, and Mr. Mull resides in Allentown. Isabella, married Peter Brady, of Red Bank, N. J. His widow now resides there. Issue: Grace Mull, who succeeded her father at Red Bank as telegraph operator; Floyd, of Elmira, N. Y.; and Emma G. resides with her brother, Burgess M., at Allentown.

BURGESS MORRIS HOXWORTH, son of John J. and Dinah (Schwartz) Hoxworth, was born at Allentown. His boyhood days were spent upon his father's farm, his time divided between work and school. He remained at home until the age of 21, when he secured employment in the Welding Furnace Pipe Mill, continuing there until 1868, when he became an employee of the L. & S. R. R. Co., retiring as conductor in 1888. Since that date he has been engaged in real estate and building operations, in Scranton and Allentown. He was a school director and a member of the election board for seven years. In politics Mr. Hoxworth is a Democrat; was a member of the Baptist Church, later of the Lutheran and Reformed Church; a member of Barger Lodge, Knights Templar and Allen chapter for 34 years.

Nathaniel Hoxworth came from New Castle, on-the-Tyne, England, at an early day. His son, Nathaniel, Jr., removed from East Sandy Creek, Pa., to Allentown, Pa. He married Matilda Nonnemaker, and their children were: George, Daniel and Jasper.

Daniel Hoxworth, son of Nathaniel, Jr., was born in 1825, in Montgomery county, Pa., died in 1908; married Amelia Isemeyer, a native of Northern Hanover, Germany.

Their children: James, Edward, Sarah C. (Mrs. William Hill); Marietta M. (Mrs. Arnold), Charles P., William H., Hannah L. (Mrs. Geer), Franklin L., Amanda (Mrs. Brown), Rebecca (Mrs. Snitzer), John E., and Luella and Isabella, twins.

JOHN E. HOXWORTH, the son of Daniel Hoxworth, was born Feb. 25, 1869, in Franklin,

Venango county, Pa., and came to Allentown, Pa., in 1883, at the age of 14 years.

He is by trade a brick-layer and plasterer. Has for 14 years been a cement and concrete contractor and is a resident of East Allentown, Pa. He married Lizzie Miller, daughter of Charles and Agnes Miller, who came from Germany. Their children are: Viola A., born 1904, and Florence M., born 1911.

#### HUBER FAMILY.

The name of Huber is derived from an old German word "hutre," meaning the possessor or guardian of a small tract of land or a farm, which would indicate that the family is descended from a clan of Swiss farmers, as the Canton of Zurich, Switzerland, was the original home of the Hubers, many of them still residing there, with records which date back more than eight hundred years. During the civil and religious disturbances of the seventeenth century, many of the Hubers were driven from their mountain homes and fled to Germany, France, and other European countries. From these countries they ultimately came to America, the ship records at Philadelphia alone showing that nearly fifty Hubers, not including women and children, landed at that port prior to the Revolutionary War. Their descendants added to those who have come since that time, have spread the name over the United States and Canada. In the course of time the spelling of the name has been changed in various sections, so that we now have the variations of Huver, Hover, Hooper, Hoover, and Hooper.

Hans (John) Huber was one of the first immigrants to Pennsylvania, came between 1710 and 1715, and settled near the present village of New Holland, Lancaster county, then a part of Chester county, Pennsylvania. Tradition says that he was one of the many thousands of Germans who went to England at the solicitation of Queen Anne in 1709-10, and from there to America. The records at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, show that he obtained a tract of land of two hundred acres, dated November 22, 1717, and was granted a patent for same, August 8, 1735, in what is now Earl township, Lancaster county. There he died in 1750. September 21, 1745, he had deeded his land to his son, Jacob.

Jacob, son of Hans Huber, on January 10, 1754, deeded his land to his two eldest sons, John and Martin, and took up land in Southern Lancaster county, then Martie, now Providence township. He married, and had children: 1. John, married, and had: John and Martin, who remained in Lancaster county; Jacob, went to Rockingham county, Virginia, where many of his



descendants still reside. 2. Martin, married, and had children: John, who settled in Franklin county, Pennsylvania; Jacob, located in Adams county, Pennsylvania; Christian, a resident of Richland county, Ohio; Joseph and David, remained in Lancaster county, Pennsylvania. 3. Christian, died without issue. 4. Matthias, located in Tennessee, and had three sons—Martin, Christian, and Jacob—and eighteen grandsons, who with their descendants are numerous in middle Tennessee and Texas. 5. Jacob, lived on the homestead in Lancaster county. He had two sons, Martin and Jacob, both of whom remained in that locality. 6. Anna, married Yost Kendrick. 7. Barbara, married Philip Stetzler. 8. Maria, married Jacob Eberly. 9. Margaret, married John Winter. 10. Magdalena, married Adam Filler. 11. Catharine, married Abraham Ladshaw. The descendants of Hans Huber, now living, comprise mainly the seventh and eighth generations, and are found in almost every state in the Union. While the majority of this branch of the Hoover clan still follow the occupations of their forefathers, that of farming and kindred pursuits, many have entered the professions, and have gained distinction as college professors, lawyers, doctors, clergymen, and merchants.

Jacob Huber, now spelled Hoover, left Rotterdam, Holland, in the summer of 1732, with his brothers, Christian, Hans, and Hans Martin. One of these brothers settled in Lancaster county, Pa., one in Bedford county, Pa., and the third in the state of Georgia. Tradition has it that the last mentioned obtained great wealth, returned to Europe and became the founder of a prosperous family there. Jacob Huber settled in Bucks county, Pennsylvania, married, and left a number of children. One of his sons, Henry, born in 1751, removed from Bucks county to Montgomery county in 1797, and died there, April 9, 1809. He had children: Christian; Jacob; Philip; Elizabeth, married John Rile; Mary, married William Kneedler. Henry was the great-grandfather of the Hon. Hiram C. Hoover, president of the National Hoover Association, which has annual re-unions.

The Hubers have always been men of high principle, and have ever been ready to give even their lives in the defence of what they considered the right. In reference to this we may mention a few of those who lost their lives in defence of their religious or civil rights. Among the honored martyrs of this name, who suffered in the cause of religion, we find: Wolfgang Bandhuber, a minister, of Passau, in 1529; Hans Huber, of Waserburg, Bavaria, was burned at the stake, in 1542; Wolfgang Huber, of Lutz-

enburg, Germany, perished by the sword in 1559; Hans Huber, of Horgerberg, was thrown into prison in the Othenburg, Switzerland, where, with others, he was kept in chains for life, having been taken there in 1645; Ulrich Huber, was beheaded in the north of Holland, in 1797. Following is the list of Hubers from Pennsylvania, who served in the Revolutionary War: John Huber, Berks county; Albright Huber, Lancaster county; Felix Huber, Lancaster county; Henry Hoover, was discharged at Trenton, July 20, 1785, and was living in Mifflin county in 1812; Leonard, George, Brisben, Adam and Anthony Huber. In the War of 1812 we find: George, John, and Jacob Hoover, all of Lancaster county; Martin Hoover, born in Tennessee, was with General Jackson at the Battle of New Orleans.

Jacob Huber was born on South Seventh street, Allentown, and for many years conducted a saddlery business on Hamilton street. He and his wife are interred in the Union cemetery, Allentown. He married Barbara, a daughter of Peter and Hannah Nagle, and had children: Lucinda, married Samuel Wenner; William Peter, of further mention; Henry, of Newark, New Jersey; Mary; Rebecca; Francis, who went West.

William Peter, son of Jacob and Barbara (Nagle) Huber, was born in Allentown, Pa., in 1825, and his entire life was spent in that town. He was educated in the public schools and at Allentown Academy, and then established a saddlery business at No. 810 Hamilton street, was actively identified with this until his retirement in 1890. He was a member of the Zion Reformed church and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He married ———, and had children: 1. Justina. 2. Mary. 3. Arvesta. 4. Matilda, who died at the age of forty-four years. 5. Anna Maria, who married Samuel, a son of the Rev. Cornelius and Mary (Springle) Baker, of Allentown. He was a machinist by trade, and they had children: Mildred H., educated in the public schools and the Bethlehem Preparatory School, and is now secretary of the International Motor Company, of Allentown; Frank, who died in 1907, at the age of eighteen years.

Conrad Huber was born in what is now Lehigh county, but at that time was a part of Northampton county, Pennsylvania.

Peter, son of Conrad Huber, was born in what was then the village of Allentown. He was a saddler by trade, then engaged in the grain, flour, and feed business, which he carried on the greater part of his life, but had been burned out in the great fire of 1848. He married (first) Anna, who died in 1827, a daughter of Abraham Wor-

man; they had three children as follows: Rebecca, married to W. Wagner; and Anna, who died, aged 19 years. Mr. Huber married (second) Mary Worman, a sister of his first wife. They had seven sons. He died in Allentown in 1884.

Walter Peter Huber, son of Peter and Anna (Worman) Huber, was born in Allentown, August 22, 1825. He received an excellent education, which was finished at the Allentown Academy, then commenced working in the store of his father, remaining there until he was twenty-three years of age, and also acquired experience as a clerk in the grain and feed business. In 1848 he established himself in business independently as a dealer in dry goods and groceries, but in the same year a disastrous fire destroyed his entire stock as well as a large part of the town, and he sustained a heavy loss. In 1850 he removed to Wescosville, where he was a prosperous general merchant twenty years, then sold his business and returned to Allentown. There he became the superintendent of a fire-brick plant, a position he held eleven years; then associated himself with W. J. Egge & Co., in the manufacture of building brick. Their immense plant at Tenth and Allen streets was equipped with all the most modern machinery necessary in this line of manufacture, and their output was many millions annually. Mr. Huber was an ardent supporter of Republican principles, but had no inclination for public office. The cause of education, however, had a warm friend and supporter in him and he has served as a member of the school board of Allentown for almost a quarter of a century.

Mr. Huber married (first) in 1848, Mary A., born in Rittersville, died in 1868, a daughter of Charles Ritter, and they had one daughter, who died in 1865 at the age of sixteen years. He married (second), in 1869, Anna R., a daughter of W. J. Egge, a local minister of the Evangelical Church. Mrs. Huber resides at the homestead at No. 217 North Ninth street, Allentown. Mr. Huber was a prominent church-worker and a pillar in the Bethany United Evangelical church, to which he gave with a liberal hand and this good work has been continued by Mrs. Huber since the death of her life companion.

John M. Hoover was born in Northampton county, Pa., in 1814. About 1840 he moved to Ohio, and in 1859 he settled in Hanson township, Hillsdale county, Michigan. There he died past eighty years of age. He was married in 1839 by Rev. Joshua Yeager, to Elizabeth, a daughter of George Fatzinger, who lived in Hanover township, now Lehigh county, Pa.

They had an only son, Franklin, whose sketch follows.

FRANKLIN HOOVER, of Hillsdale, Michigan, was born December 10, 1846 in the state of Ohio. He was reared to the pursuit of an agriculturist in Michigan, and he has followed farming for a number of years. On December 15, 1863, he enlisted in the 27th Michigan Volunteers Infantry, which belonged to the Ninth Army Corps until in the spring of 1864 the regiment was transferred to the Army of the Potomac and it remained with General Grant until to the end of the war. At the Battle of the Wilderness on May 5, 1864, Mr. Hoover received a flesh wound in the hand. On June 17, he returned to his regiment and when a fort was blown up in front of Petersburg, Va., on July 30, he was hit on the right arm by a piece of a shell which disabled him for two weeks. On August 9th, he was at City Point, Va., when boats on the James river were blown up and he was knocked off from a freight car that disabled him so that he was sent to a hospital again but he was enabled to participate in the battle of Weldon Rail Road on August 21, 1864; was captured with two commissioned officers and thirty-seven privates and sent to Libby Prison; was paroled about two and one-half months later, and returned to his regiment in December, 1864; was promoted to sergeant and served as such until he was mustered out of service on July 26, 1865, at the end of the war.

He was married to July Hart, whose people came from the state of Vermont. They had these children: Emma and Nora, both deceased; William; Gertrude; Alfred; Lizzie; Grace; Fern, and Robert R.

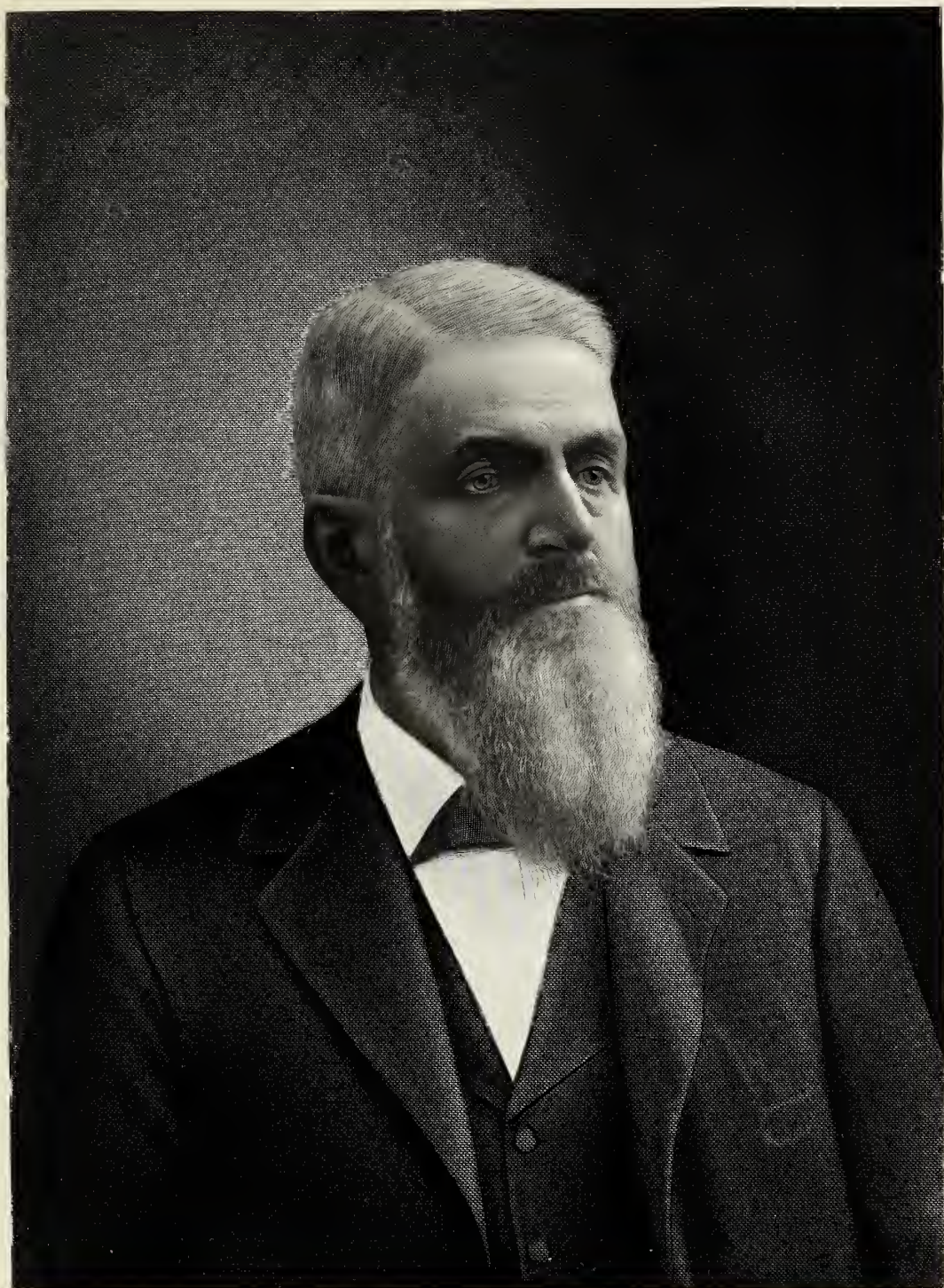
#### HUDDERS FAMILY.

Nathaniel Hudders, a native of Chester county, was born in the year 1772 and died in 1866, aged 94 years, and is buried at New London. He was a Presbyterian. He was a farmer and had a 180-acre farm. His children were: Nathaniel, John, James, Elizabeth (m. John Whitecraft), Jane (m. Thomas Sloan); Ann (m. John McCormick) and Sarah died unmarried.

John Hudders was born in 1807, and died at Philadelphia in 1862. He was an architect and builder, and erected many churches, stores and public buildings. His wife, Eleanor Baker, was of Quaker descent. She was born in 1809 and died in 1845 at Philadelphia where she is also buried. Their children follow: Amelia (m. Emery Hess, of Philadelphia); John (died when a young man), and Horace.

Horace Hudders, the book-keeper and cashier of the Allentown Rolling Mill, was born at





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Philadelphia in 1847. At the age of fourteen years he became a clerk and when twenty, a book-keeper. In 1875 he was transferred to Allentown and continued to work for the rolling mill company, for whom he had been working in Philadelphia since the year 1870. He and family are Presbyterians and he has served the First Presbyterian church, Allentown, as a trustee. He married in 1869 Rebecca Hindman, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Best) Hindman. Their children are: Luther B., H. Russel and Carroll H.

LUTHER B. HUDDERS, the secretary of the M. H. Strauss Co., Allentown, was born at Philadelphia, March 9, 1874. He came to Allentown with his parents in 1875 and in 1894 he entered the employ of John E. Lentz as a clerk and continued to serve him until in 1898. Afterwards he was employed by G. W. Eckert, wholesale grain dealer, and there he was employed until in Feb., 1908, after which he became an assistant to Martin H. Strauss and in March, 1909, he was made one of the incorporators of the Martin H. Strauss Company, wholesale grocers.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church and the Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M. In 1903 he was married to Isabelle J. Strauss, a daughter of Thomas Strauss. They have a son, William S. Hudders.

#### HUNT FAMILY.

Joseph Hunt was born in New Jersey. He died in 1859 at the Delaware Water Gap, in Pennsylvania, at an advanced age. He owned a small farm. Mary Adams, his wife, died about 1886, aged eighty-six years. She is buried at Newark, N. J. Their children were: Reuben (who lived and died at Newark); Amandes (of Newark); William; Mrs. Susan Cole; Renhennah; Mrs. Julia Cole; and Mrs. Amanda Manaid.

William A. Hunt was born at the Delaware Water Gap on June 18, 1833, and he died at Slatington on August 27, 1889, where he is buried on Fairview cemetery. He was a slater by trade, but during the Civil War he was enlisted as a Union soldier. In their religious faith they were Methodists.

Carolina Hausman, his wife, was a daughter of John Hausman. She was born Sept. 26, 1826, and died August 4, 1894. Their children were: James, John (of Ohio); Benjamin (died in infancy); Lewis (died at Slatington); Renhennah (married Aaron Leibenguth and moved to Indiana); Lucy (married Arch. Lester); and Ida (who became the wife of Samuel

Berkemeyer, and now lives at Indianapolis, Indiana).

JAMES R. HUNT was born at Slatington, December 16, 1854. He came to Heidelberg when nine years of age; and worked upon a farm until he became eighteen when he learned the shoemaking trade, which he followed for five years. In 1881 he embarked as a tenant farmer. In 1904 he purchased his 47-acre farm in Heidelberg, and since then has developed the tract along scientific lines. He is an extensive trucker and raises much fruit, which he markets at Slatington. His farm was the Daniel Rader homestead. An old log house is *still* standing there which was erected long before the year 1800.

He was enlisted as a member of Co. H, 4th Reg. N. G. P., of Slatington, for nine years, serving as a corporal for three years and as orderly sergeant for four years. He was elected on the Republican ticket as township auditor and served for six years.

Mr. Hunt and family have been active in church and Sunday-school work for many years. For twelve years he sang in the church choir. When a young man he sang in the choir at Slatington. In the Sunday-school he served all the offices. They are Lutherans, and members of the Heidelberg church.

He was married in 1876 to Senia Schuler, a daughter of Henry and Lucy (Sell) Schuler. They had eight children: Mary, Lizzie, and Minnie, who died within ten days of diphtheria; Walter (deceased); Cora (m. Elias Zellner); Carrie; Alice, and Albert.

#### HUNSICKER FAMILY.

Johannes Hunsicker was of Swiss descent.\* He settled south of the Heidelberg church, near Saegersville, in Heidelberg township, now Lehigh county, Pa. The date of his emigration is uncertain, but it is probable that he emigrated in 1748. (*Pennsylvania Archives*.) The earliest records of him in Heidelberg township are of 1757, at the building of the second Heidelberg church, in which he took an active part. He paid tax in 1785, and died late in 1800. His will is of record in the court house at Easton, Pa. It was made Nov. 23, 1780, and probated Dec. 17, 1800. It is recorded in Will Book 4, page 38. The witnesses to it were George Bloss, Jacob Peter, and George Horn. Items of the will follow:

"1. Jacob and Casper Hunsicker were made trustee for Dewalt Hunsicker, the oldest son, who

\*Mr. W. E. Hunsicker, of Steelton, Pa., who made exhaustive research into the family genealogy, found a Swiss reference to the name "Hunziker," dated A. D. 1475.

had gone to Carolina." It stipulated if he (Dewalt) had not returned within fifteen years after his "Erbenschaft," was due, he should not receive any.

2. Jacob Hunsicker shall have 250 acres of land situate in Heidelberg township.

3. Casper Hunsicker shall have 200 acres of land situated in Heidelberg township.

4. Henry Hunsicker shall have 200 acres of land adjoining lands of George Bloss, Jacob Peter, and others.

5. Joseph Hunsicker shall have 240 acres of land, partly located at the Blue mountains.

6. Peter Hunsicker shall have 200 acres of land, situated in Heidelberg township.

7. John Hunsicker shall have 200 acres of land, partly located at the Blue mountain.

The names of the children as given in the will follow: Dewalt; Jacob; John; Casper; Joseph; Peter; Henry; Maria Susanna, and Magdalena. The last named bore her mother's name. The daughters were married to William Peter and Henry Rex, but we have no records as to which is which.

The federal census of 1790 records the following as heads of families in Heidelberg township, now Lehigh county.

Casper, Henry, John, and Joseph Hunsicker.

Casper had four sons and two daughters.

Henry had three sons and one daughter.

John had four sons and no daughters.

Joseph had one son and one daughter.

Jacob Hunsicker died in 1796. Among his children were: John, born in 1776; Jacob and Peter.

John Hunsicker was born Oct. 25, 1755, died July 22, 1836, aged 80 years, 8 months, and 28 days. He was married to Catharine Ohl, born in 1757, died 1823. Their children were: John; Henry, married to Susanna Kistler; and Molly, who married a Hoffman.

Casper Hunsicker, son of the ancestor, was married to Susanna Best. Their children follow: Stephen; Casper; Joseph; Daniel; Peter; and Maricha, married to Joseph Schneck.

Joseph Hunsicker, son of the ancestor, was twice married, first to Maria Barbara Ohl, and, second, to ——— Krum. Children: Margaret; Jonas; Daniel, Christian; John; Rufina; Elizabeth; Catharine; Polly, who married a Kunkel; Reuben; Henry, who located in Carbon county, Pa.; and Joseph.

Peter Hunsicker, son of the ancestor, had an only son, Peter, born in 1793, and died in 1883. The latter had Reuben, Paul, and Joseph.

Henry Hunsicker, son of the ancestor, was

married in 1786, to Maria Barbara Hoff. They had three sons and six daughters.

#### JAMES F. HUNSICKER.

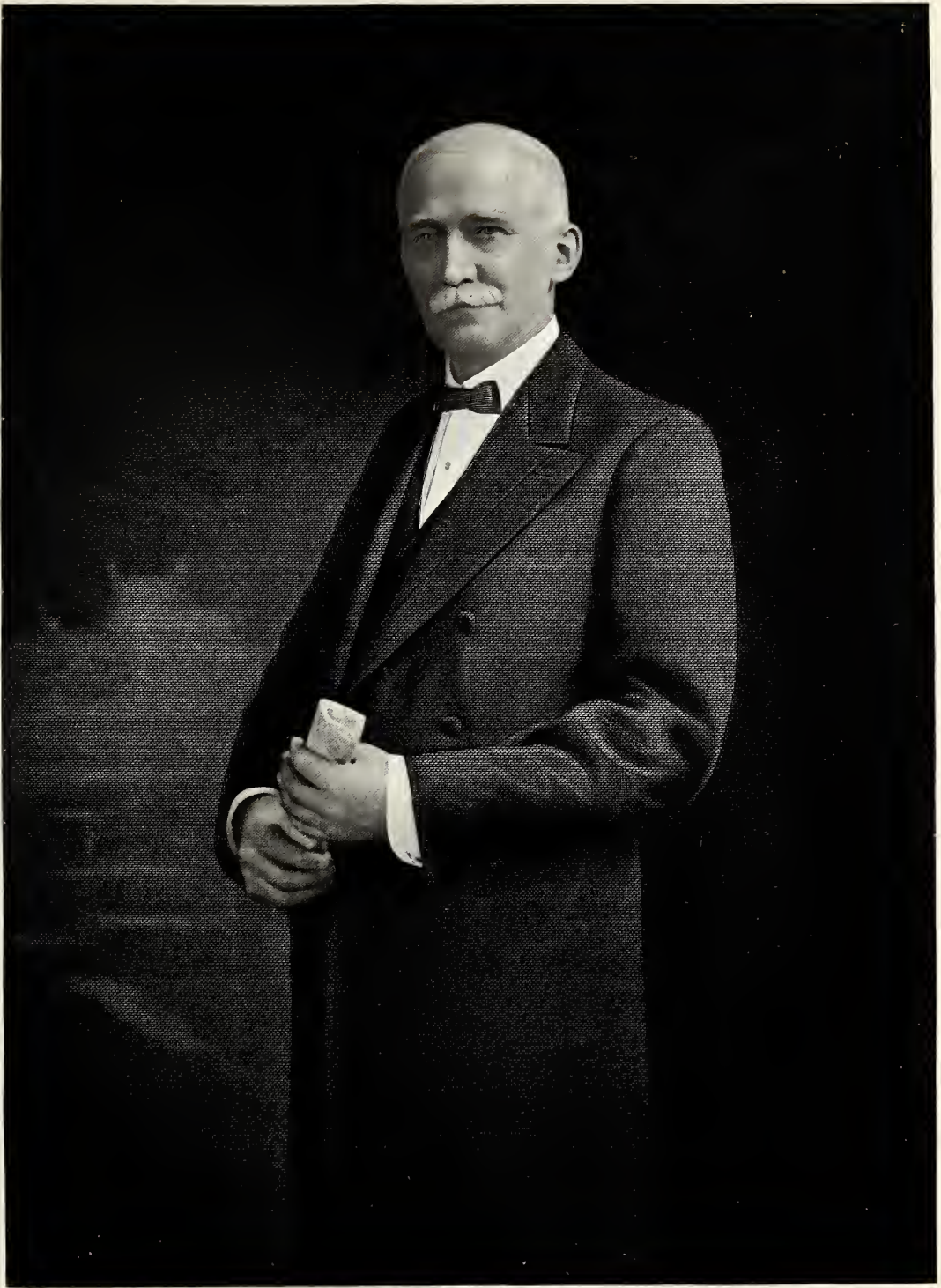
James Franklin Hunsicker is a notable and representative scion of a family, whose American ancestry dates back a full two hundred years.

He was born at Switzer, in Lehigh county, Pa., on the 7th of November, 1852, as the second child of Owen and Sarah Hunsicker, who were descended, respectively, from Daniel Hunsicker, and Jacob Bittner. Four other children rounded out the family group in Mr. Hunsicker's paternal home: Henry W. Hunsicker, the first-born, married Ida A. Grim, and became the father of five children: Walter O.; Hessa G.; Jessie; Rhoda; and George. Francis P. Hunsicker married Ellen J. Clauser, and has three children: Katie, the wife of Joseph Knauss; Florence C., the wife of Clinton Beck; and Mamie, the wife of J. Hiram Schwartz.

Mary Alice Hunsicker was the only girl in the enlarging circle of boys. She became the wife of George Koch, and the mother of five children: Harry, the husband of Carrie E. Miller; Lula, the wife of Ambrose Kunkel; Mazie; Sallie; and Sadie. Owen S. Hunsicker married Nellie White, and has three children: Harry, the husband of Maggie Ott; Frederick, the husband of Florence Albright; and Esther. Owen S., the youngest brother of James, was the first, and so far the only one of the circle to depart this life. He died March 12, 1911.

Three distinct periods mark the career of James F. Hunsicker—a time of preparation in the beautiful country region of Lehigh county, a time of struggle in various sections, and a time of success in the thriving city of Allentown, Pa. He spent his early life in his native rural community, where hard toil and frugal ways of living toughened his physical fibre and engendered life-long habits of industry and thrift. He became deeply imbued with high moral ideals in the religious atmosphere that pervaded the humble home, and through the nurture of the church. He acquired an elementary education in the public schools at Pleasant Corner, and at Schnecks-ville. His scholastic career was cut short by the exigencies of life, but he took with him from school into the struggle of existence a mind, naturally alert, that had become imbued with a thirst of knowledge and with a love of books. In after years these traits of character proved a means of supplying that educational equipment which a lack of opportunity had denied him in his youth. At the age of thirteen, the first period of his life ended. Christian parents, a humble home, and rural life, with all its physical





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and moral benefits, had been the formative elements during these plastic years of preparation.

Then came the period of struggle, which figures so prominently in the lives of American men of affairs who have achieved success. For a few years the young country lad, intrepid but inexperienced, drifted on the broad ocean of life without having a definite goal. He was testing his powers and finding his natural bent. During this interval various transient occupations held his interest, in Catasauqua, Philadelphia, and Lehigh county, among others the survey of the Ironton and Steinsville Railroad, under the direction of Colonel S. D. Lehr, C. E. Afterwards he continued to accumulate valuable experience, and to develop his native business sagacity in diverse subordinate positions, as an employee in the general store of his uncle, Joseph Kressley, in Allentown; in the company store of the Allentown Iron Company; and, finally, in the dry-goods establishment of A. A. Huber. Thus, within the brief space of five years, at the age of eighteen, the subject of this sketch had found himself.

From field and farm, and from desultory occupations, he had followed the bent of his natural endowments, which led him into the commercial arena as his proper sphere. And then began the third period of his career which bears the superscription "Success," written there, not by the hand of capricious fortune, but by dint of unremitting toil and untarnished integrity.

That final period dates from the year 1870, when James F. Hunsicker formed a partnership with his brother, Henry W., and founded a general store under the firm-name of Hunsicker Brothers, at Seventh and Chew streets, Allentown, Pa. Two years later, when their uncle, Elias Bittner, joined the partnership, that name was changed to Bittner and Hunsicker Bros. Another change occurred in 1880, when Frank D. Bittner, a son of Elias Bittner, also became one of the partners. The firm traded under the name of Bittner, Hunsicker, and Company, until 1886, when their growing volume of business necessitated a radical change. In that year the original partnership was dissolved. Henry W. Hunsicker took the retail dry-goods department, while James F. Hunsicker, together with Elias and Frank D. Bittner, decided to devote themselves exclusively to the wholesale branch of the business.

This new venture, trading under the name of Bittner, Hunsicker & Co., was a success from the very beginning. Soon it outgrew its modest cradle, on Hamilton street, and became domiciled in a three-story building, on North Seventh street. In December, 1902, fire destroyed this

structure completely, with all its contents. But even that disaster did not cripple, much less destroy, this flourishing enterprise. A new building, larger, and better than its predecessor, rose out of the ashes of the old. That handsome five-story structure, stands to-day as one of the solid pillars of the commercial prestige of the city of Allentown. It harbors a volume of merchandise second to none outside of metropolitan centers of trade, and it employs a large force of resident and traveling salesmen, whose loyalty and efficiency are matched by their employers' fairness and generosity.

Thus Mr. Hunsicker has risen step by step, from the humble station allotted to him by the accident of birth, to a commanding position in the economic life of his city and state. And, under Providence, his steady advancement and solid achievements were the result of his own initiative, energy, sagacity, and integrity. In the best sense of the word, he is a self-made man.

But his commercial and financial success, commanding though it is, is only the minor part of his attainments. Greater, even, than the successful wholesale merchant is the citizen, the churchman, and the husband and father. Through all the years of his busy life, Mr. Hunsicker never suffered the four walls of his business to bound his horizon. His interest and co-operation went forth in many directions, and he became an important constructive force in the higher life of his community. The bestowal upon him of numerous honors and offices marks the appreciation of his townsmen, and their public recognition of his sterling worth as a man of character and ability. He has served, at various times, as a director of the Allentown National Bank, and as a member and director of the Board of Control of the public schools of Allentown, Pa. He is a member of the board of directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Allentown; a charter member of the chamber of commerce, of Allentown, serving as vice-president and as a member of the executive committee since its organization; and a charter member of the National Wholesale Dry Goods Association of the United States. He is also a charter member of the Allentown Hospital Association, to the promotion of whose interests he has given lavishly of his time and substance. He was a member of the building committee which planned and erected the magnificent hospital that has healed and helped thousands of sufferers since its completion. He held the position of vice-president of the hospital association for many years, until, recently, at the death of the Hon. Edward Harvey, he succeeded that accomplished gentleman in the office of president. Besides holding these

numerous honorary offices, he also became identified with the Masons, the Odd Fellows, the Royal Arcanum, and the Golden Eagles.

But, outside of his business interests, Mr. Hunsicker is seen at his best in the sphere of the Church and in the domestic circle. He is the spiritual heir, as well as the lineal descendant of God-fearing Swiss and Dutch ancestors, who came to this country to find freedom for their faith. He has inherited from them his sane and sincere faith in the Christian religion and his unwavering loyalty to the Reformed Church. Salem Reformed church in Allentown, the largest congregation of the Reformed Church in the United States, regards Mr. Hunsicker affectionately, as its leading member, and the whole religious community looks upon him as a typical and representative layman of the modern church, in whom creed and deed are happily blended in a full-orbed Christian manhood. He is a charter member of Salem Reformed church. At various times he has served this congregation as deacon, elder, and trustee. He has represented it, as lay delegate, at the higher judicatories of the Reformed denomination, and he has been its president for the last twenty-five years. But his most efficient religious service has been rendered in his connection with the Sunday school of Salem Reformed church, whose superintendent he has been for more than twenty years. This remarkable organization, numbering over 2,000 active members, both adults and children, owes its vigorous life and its continuous prosperity largely to the personal leadership of its devoted superintendent. Through it Mr. Hunsicker has been one of the influential factors in the moulding of the moral and religious life of multitudes of men and women in all the walks of life. The Reformed Church has recognized his talents and his devotion to the cause of religion, and it has honored him by electing him a member of the board of trustees of Bethany Orphans' Home, at Womelsdorf, Pa., and also of the board of trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church, at Lancaster, Pa.

In his domestic relations Mr. Hunsicker has been singularly happy. He was married to Mary Hannah Schrader on the 26th of December, 1872, and his wife became his true helpmate. She is a daughter of Charles S. Schrader and Judith, *nee* Fritch. There were four other children in this family: Sarah P. Schrader, the widow of J. George Snyder, who had two children: Minnie and Helen, both of whom have departed this life. William Schrader married Angeline Gackenbach, and had four children: Thomas, who married Isabella Troxell; Laura, who died in her infancy; William; and Alice,

the wife of Robert Hall. Jonas Schrader married Sophia Hilbert, and had two children: Ada; and Lena, who died at the age of four. Horatio Schrader married Catharine Acker, and has one child: Edwin.

The union of James F. Hunsicker and Mary Hannah Schrader has been blessed with three sons, who are an honor to their parents and a credit to their native city. All of them have enjoyed the advantages of a higher education, and they are duplicating the enviable and honorable record of their father in their various vocations. George W. Hunsicker was born on the 27th of September, 1873. He married Eleanor Patterson, having lost his first wife, Minnie Keck, by death, and has four children: Josephine; Hannah; Virginia; and Sylvia. He is a graduate of Lehigh University, and a member of the firm trading as Dietrich Motor Car Co. Charles O. Hunsicker was born on the 18th of August, 1878. He married Lillian L. Henninger, and has three children: Mary Elisabeth; Anna Henninger, who died in her infancy; and Robert Franklin. He is a lawyer by profession, a graduate of Mercersburg Academy, of Franklin and Marshall College, and of the law department of the University of Pennsylvania. In 1909 he was elected mayor of the City of Allentown on the Republican ticket, being the youngest incumbent who has held that high office. Herbert J. Hunsicker was born on the 7th of February, 1880. He married Ruth Robbins, and has three children: Marion; James F.; and Henry R. He is a graduate of Drexel Institute, and holds a position in the office of the firm Bittner, Hunsicker & Co.

The burden of his years rests lightly on the shoulders of Mr. Hunsicker. In the Indian summer of his life he continues his work with unabated vigor, and carries the zest of youth into his manifold interests. Surrounded by his estimable wife, and by his sons, his beautiful home forms an attractive spot in the city of Allentown, where peace and joy reign supreme, and where gracious hospitality is dispensed with heart and hand. Here he finds the richest reward of his earnest, honest, industrious life in the affection of his family, the esteem of his friends, and the respect of his fellow-men.

FRANCIS P. HUNSICKER, son of Owen and grandson of Daniel, is the senior member of the firm of Hunsicker & Co., wholesale and retail cigar and tobacco dealers at Allentown. He is a native of Heidelberg township was born July 4, 1855. He was educated in the public schools and in the Weaversville Academy in Northampton county. In 1870 he came to Allentown where he learned the cigar making trade which



he followed until 1876, at which time he engaged in the tobacco business where the Hersh hardware store is now located. In 1878 he moved to 731 Hamilton street, and continued enlarging his business that Hunsicker & Co., are now the largest tobacco dealers in Lehigh county. The firm employs twelve people. The concern erected Hunsicker Building at 17-19 North Seventh street, and No. 18 on North Church street. It is a modern office building, eleven stories high and one-half square in depth. Mr. Hunsicker and family are members of Salem Reformed church. He is an elder of the church since 1905. He is prominently identified with the following secret societies, viz: Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E. He is a Past Grand Chief of the Supreme Castle of the Nation, also served all the state offices and the offices of the subordinate castle of which he is a member. He was the Grand Chief of Pennsylvania in 1899 and the Grand Chief of the Supreme Castle in 1902; St. Alban Commandery, No. 46, Knights of Malta; Camp 406, P. O. S. of A.; Franklin Chamber No. 9, O. K. of F., Golden Chain Veteran Temple No. 90, L. K. G. E., the Royal Arcanum, and Modern Woodmen of America. Mr. Hunsicker has always taken an interest in the schools and in the educational affairs of the city. In 1896 he was elected to the board of control and represented the Third ward continually in this body until 1911 when the new school code effected a change. Mr. Hunsicker was elected by the city as one of its nine controllers. In 1876 he was married to Ella J. Clauser, daughter of the late John and Regina (Oberholtzer) Clauser, of Allentown. They have three daughters, viz: Kate, the wife of Joseph Knauss, who is associated with Hunsicker & Co.; Mame, is married to J. Hiram Schwartz, whose sketch is mentioned elsewhere in this volume; Florence is wedded to Clinton Beck, the bookkeeper for Hunsicker & Co.

OWEN S. HUNSICKER was born at Pleasant Corner, December 31, 1860; came to Allentown in 1876, but for three years before that time he was employed by Kent & Co., at Birmingham, New York. When he came to Allentown he formed a partnership with his brother, Francis P., in the wholesale tobacco business. Two years later he sold out his interests to his brother and opened a retail cigar stand and barber-shop in the Hotel Allen Building. Four years later, in 1886, he bought the Allen Steam Laundry, which was then located in the Hotel Allen building, and since has remained its proprietor, conducting a large and successful business. In 1901 the business necessitated larger quarters and he then located at No. 35 South Seventh street. Mr.

Hunsicker was prominently connected with these social and fraternal organizations: Allentown Lodge No. 125, Loyal Order of Moose; Clover Club; Chamber of Commerce; John Hay Republican Club; and the Good Will Fire Company. For a number of years he was active in Republican politics and at the time of his death was a member of the city council. In 1884 he married Ellen Bryde, of Owego, New York. She died May 31, 1911. He died March 12, 1911 in his fiftieth year. They were members of Salem Reformed church. Their children are: (1) Harry O., who is married to Maggie Ott. They have a son, Owen, and they reside in Allentown. (2) Fred M., who is the manager of the Allen Steam Laundry, having been employed in aforesaid business as an assistant to his father since he was sixteen years of age. (3) M. Esther, who graduated from the Allentown high school, in 1910.

Harry O. Hunsicker, the oldest son of the late Owen, was born in Allentown, April 17, 1884. He was educated in the Allentown high school and at the age of 14 years he became his father's clerk, and the assistant manager of the Allen steam laundry, located at No. 35 South Seventh street.

Mr. Hunsicker and family are members of the Salem Reformed church. Socially he is connected with the Knights of the Golden Eagle; the Loyal Order of Moose; and the Clover Club.

On July 2, 1904, he married Maggie M. Ott, a daughter of Henry E. and Sarah (Butterweck) Ott, of Allentown. They have one son: Owen Ott Hunsicker.

Johannes Hunsicker, born Oct. 25, 1755, died July 22, 1836, aged 80 years, 8 months, and 28 days. His wife was Catharine Ohl. She was born Nov. 29, 1757, died March 5, 1823. Both are buried on the old grave yard at the Heidelberg church, of which they were members. They owned a large tract of land in Heidelberg township, and were the first to settle on the farm (now owned by Henry A. Hunsicker). On Feb. 9, 1777, Johannes Hunsicker witnessed the will of Rudolph Peter, a pioneer settler; among their children were: Henry, and Molly, intermarried to a Mr. Hoffman. They are both buried on the Unionville graveyard.

Henry Hunsicker, son of Johannes, lived in Heidelberg township where his grandson, Henry A., now lives. His farm there was 250 acres. The house he built in 1809 is still standing and shelters the fourth and fifth generation. He was a life-long farmer. He was born Dec. 30, 1790, and died April 14, 1850. He is buried on the Old Heidelberg graveyard. On June 7, 1822

he married Susanna Kistler. She was born Feb. 12, 1794, died Jan. 27, 1872, aged 77 years, 11 month, and 15 days. Issue: Three children, namely, Reuben, David, and Levi H.

Levi H. Hunsicker was born on the homestead April 30, 1839; died with his son, Henry A. Nov. 28, 1910, aged 71 years, 6 months, 28 days. He was a life-long farmer and had the farm on which his son, Henry A., now lives. The farm is located on the Mauch Chunk road from Saegersville to Lehigh Furnace, along the Berks and Lehigh Railroad. He was a Republican. He was a school director of Heidelberg township and was a Reformed member of the Heidelberg Union church, serving the offices of deacon and elder. His wife was Catharine Weida, a daughter of Joshua Weida, and his wife, Rebecca. *nee* Reinhart, issue: Four children, viz: Henry A.; Amanda, who was married to Wilson A. Bachman, died childless, June 11, 1886, aged twenty-two years; Mary A., intermarried to Richard Fink, and Sarah, who is unmarried.

Henry A. Hunsicker, farmer, a son of Levi H., was born on the homestead of his grandfather Jan. 1, 1860. He was reared to farm life. He worked for his father until 1893, when he began farming for himself and has since continued on the farm owned earlier by his father and grandfather. The present barn was built in 1837 by his grandfather, Henry Hunsicker. Mr. Hunsicker is a Republican, and a Reformed member of the Heidelberg Union church, and was a deacon of said church. He was married (first) Jan. 24, 1885, to Agnes Hensinger, daughter of Benjamin Hensinger, and Leanna, *nee* Bloss, of Washington township. She died June 11, 1886, aged 20 years. No issue. He was married the second time on Nov. 24, 1894 to Helen Handwerk, a daughter of Paul and Susanna Handwerk, *nee* Lobach, of Heidelberg township. They have two children, viz: Raymond J. and Mabel M. Mr. Hunsicker has a well cultivated farm and has a 30-acre tract which was Ohl land, beside he has woodland at the Blue mountains which is in Heidelberg township.

Reuben Hunsicker, son of Henry, son of Johannes, was born in Heidelberg township, Oct. 8, 1816, and was reared on the original homestead of the family in Heidelberg. In 1840 he came into the Kistler valley in Lynn township, and settled on the farm now the property of his son, John H. His farm is 150 acres of valuable land and was the Henry Steigerwald homestead. The stone house was built in 1818 by "A. S." These initials are painted on the front part of the house. The property remained in the Reuben Hunsicker name from 1840 to 1889. He died on May 25, 1889, aged 81 years. It was

bought for him by his father. He was a Democrat and was treasurer of the township. About 300 yards back of the barn is a stone building that was erected by him in 1850. This was used as an apple-jack distillery until the centennial year 1876, when he abandoned the distilling of apple-jack, which was said to be of superior quality. About this time a number of young men of the community on a certain Sunday, entered the building, and found a half barrel of liquid which they mistook for apple-jack, this was yet in a raw state. They all became drunk; so drunk, in fact, that some could not leave the building; others were found on the hillside back of the distillery in the field. This caused much amusement to the older men of the community. Mr. Hunsicker was a Reformed member of the New Jerusalem church, which he served as a deacon, elder, and trustee. Here he is buried. His wife was Hannah Kistler, daughter of John Kistler, the hat-maker. She was born March 18, 1831, and died Jan. 16, 1900. Issue: Catharine, married to Arthur Miller, of Hamburg, Pa.; Caroline, married to Willoughby Brobst; and John H.

John H. Hunsicker, director of Kutztown National Bank and prominent citizen of Lynn township, was born in the Kistler Valley, where he now lives, Sept. 16, 1849. He was educated in the common schools and in the Normal School at Kutztown, Pa. He was reared upon the farm and was married in 1872, at which time he began farming on the homestead of his father and continued until 1900. He is retired. On his very excellent farm is a barn 90 x 40 feet, and 18 feet high, that he built in 1900. The old barn having been destroyed on July 25th of the same year by lightning. Mr. Hunsicker is a Democrat, was school director, auditor, and treasurer of his township. He is a Reformed member of the New Jerusalem church, where he was also confirmed. He held all the church offices and was a member of the building committee when the church was remodeled. He married twice, first, Malinda Faust, daughter of Charles Faust, of Albany; she died May 29, 1892, in Philadelphia, aged 39 years, 7 months, and 29 days. Issue, two children: Charles M., of Allentown; Ellen H., married to A. A. Fister, of Krumsville, Pa. Mr. Hunsicker married the second time, in 1896, to Anna M. Kohler, daughter of William Kohler, of Greenwich township, Berks county.

CHARLES M. HUNSICKER, son of John H., photographer at Allentown, Pa., is a native of Lynn township, and was born on the homestead of his grandfather, Reuben Hunsicker, June 9, 1875. He was educated in the township schools; and the American Commercial School, Allentown,



Pa. After having learned the photography business in Allentown, he engaged in that business in 1898 at 824 Hamilton street, but in 1909 he moved his studio and family to his large and excellent quarters at 37 North Ninth street. He and family are members of Salem Reformed church. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. On March 25, 1898, he was wedded to Clara E. Fetherolf, daughter of David H. Fetherolf, whose biography appears elsewhere in this volume. They have these children: Edna M., Margaret A., and Alma E.

John Hunsicker was born on the homestead of 140 acres in Heidelberg, upon which he lived all his life, is now the property of Jonas Krum. His wife, Anna Hoffman, was born April 16, 1773, and died on June 14, 1859, aged 86 years, 2 months, and 8 days. She is buried at Heidelberg and her husband is buried at New Tripoli. Their children were: Molly, m. David Snyder; Anna, married to John Hoffman; Maricha, married to Jonas Weaver; Lydia, married to Jonas Snyder; and Henry.

Henry Hunsicker, son of John, was born Feb. 4, 1800, and always lived in Heidelberg, where he was a farmer. He died on January 19, 1843, aged 43 years, less 15 days. His wife was Lydia German and they had these children:

Sallie, married (1) Levi German; (2) Aaron Schleicher.

Edward.

Katie, married John Heil.

Lydia, married Joseph Handwerk.

Reuben, married Lydia Craiglow.

Owen.

Henry was never married.

Carolina, married William Eberhard, of Cata-sauqua.

Owen Hunsicker, son of Henry, was born in Heidelberg, April 6, 1838. He learned the shoemaking, carpentering, and coopering trades from Michael Handwerk. He followed the shoemaking trade at Saegersville for fourteen years, and owing to ill-health, began farming near Allentown, and two years later he removed to Saegersville and worked at the carpenter trade until 1871, at which time he settled upon the farm near Germansville, and farmed until 1894. This farm was the Johannes Handwerk homestead and consists of sixty-five acres. A large stone house that is still standing there was built over a spring of excellent water by Johannes Handwerk in 1767. In 1858 he married Juliann Handwerk, and they have these children: Henry, who died in infancy; Elizabeth L., died aged four years; John G.; Jacob B., of Heidelberg; and Emma J., the wife of Lewis M. Hausman.

JOHN G. HUNSICKER was born in Heidelberg on April 16, 1869. He worked for his parents upon the farm until he was of age. In 1894 he succeeded his father in farming, which he has followed to this time. He is a Republican and in 1908 was elected a school director of the township, and served the board as its president. He was also an auditor of the township and is interested in the civil matters for the good of his district. Like his parents he and family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Heidelberg church. He is a member of these secret societies: The P. O. S. of A., K. G. E., and the I. O. O. F. On March 25, 1899 he married Katie E. Smith, a daughter of William and Sarah (Werth) Smith. They have these children: Edna K., Ida J., and Irene E.

Edward Hunsicker, son of John, was born January 14, 1830. He always lived in Heidelberg and there was a member of the Reformed congregation. He died on November 1, 1889, in his sixtieth year of his age. His wife was Catharine Benninger (1829-1897). They had these two children: William and Nathan.

William H. Hunsicker was born in Heidelberg on the homestead of his father, Edward, July 31, 1853, and died on May 8, 1905, in his fifty-second year. He is buried at Heidelberg. He was a farmer on the old stand and served the township as a school director. His first wife was Louisa Smith. She was a daughter of Lefinous and Mary (Clauss) Smith. His second wife was Carolina Storm. The children by his first wife are Clinton P. and Charles, Mary and Lillie who died small; Esther, deceased, was the wife of George Neely; Aquill and Levinous is married to Minerva Reeser.

CLINTON P. HUNSICKER, manufacturer of medicines and horse and cattle powders, Allentown, was born in Heidelberg, May 7, 1877. He attended the local schools and worked at home until he was of age, then came to Allentown. He was an employee both as conductor and motorman for the Lehigh Valley Transit Co., for a period of six years. At the end of this time he engaged in the produce business which he followed two years. In 1907 he engaged in his present business, the manufacturing of home remedies. He obtained a German recipe for the making of a cough remedy which has proven itself most valuable. The medicine is free from opiates and alcohol. It is made from pure drugs. Its extensive sale and ardent recommenders are evidences of its usefulness. Mr. Hunsicker also manufactures an ointment, a witch hazel liniment, a quick relief oil, a stomach bitter, and tonic, and the square deal corn salve. He has his laboratory and office at 420 North Eleventh

street, Allentown. His wife is a daughter of Albert and Mary (Gouldin) Heller. They have these children, viz: Hattie; Esther; Edward W.; Albert, who died in infancy; Luther; Mary; and Horace.

Casper Hunsicker was a farmer near Neffsville. His homestead is now owned by his grandson, Joseph S. Hunsicker. He was a Reformed member of the Unionville church, where he is also buried. His wife was Susanna Best. Their two children were: Stephen and Maricha, who was killed during the 80's, while her husband, Joseph Schneck, was attending the public sale of his brother John, near Schnecksville. She was alone in their home. Her slayer has not been apprehended thus far. It was believed that the object was robbery. Their only son, Nathan Schneck, now lives in Allentown.

Stephen Hunsicker died on his farm which he obtained after his father's death. He was a deacon and elder of the Unionville church where he is buried. His wife was Elizabeth Schneck. They had 17 children, five of whom died in infancy, viz: Sallie, married to Tilghman Semmel; Elizabeth, married to Peter Dietrich; Caroline, married to Dennis Zellner; Joseph S.; Fietta, married to Benjamin Krause; Alfred; Ellamenta, married to Josiah Kern; Flora, married to Richard Schall, Alice, married to Israel Albright; Stephen H.; Zenobia, married to Charles W. Yenser; and Jennie, married to Henry W. Maxwell.

Stephen H. Hunsicker was born June 10, 1862, and died at his home near Slatington, May 8, 1909. He is buried on the family plot at Slatington, on the Union cemetery. Earlier in life he was a farmer, but in 1892 he became a painter, following this trade until 1904, after which he became a shipping clerk for the National School Slate Co., which position he served until his death. In 1896 he erected a comfortable house on Upper Main street, Slatington. There the widow since resides. He and family worshipped in the Reformed Church. On March 1, 1888 he married Lucy L. Kern, a daughter of Nathan and Salome (Rex) Kern. No issue.

Joseph S. Hunsicker, son of Stephen, was born on the old homestead May 17, 1852. He was reared to farm life and worked for his mother until he was of age. He began farming for his mother on the homestead of 113 acres. In 1882 his father died and in 1886 he purchased the farm making a number of improvements. The present house was built by John Peter many years ago. They are members of the Reformed congregation at Unionville. He married Mary Mertz, a daughter of Eugene Mertz, who served in the Civil War. Issue, two children, viz:

Malcolm, who resides at Allentown; and Perma, residing at home.

Daniel Hunsicker was born in Heidelberg, February 9, 1798, and was a farmer in Washington township, where he also was a school director and prosperous man. He died on February 12, 1866, aged 66 years and 2 days. His wife was Elizabeth Klotz. Among their children were Joel, of Lowhill; Joseph, and Lewis, who lived in South Whitehall.

Joseph was born on the homestead in Washington on January 12, 1844. He obtained the homestead farm which was 121 acres of good land. He raised much good-blooded stock and was a prosperous farmer. In 1909 he built himself a cement block house along the Slatington trolley road between Neffsville and Slatington, and there he lived retired until his death on May 12, 1911. He was a Reformed member of the Heidelberg church, which he served as an elder a number of years, having been a prominent and influential citizen in the church and his township. His first wife was Sarah Krause, daughter of David and Catharine (Hoffman) Krause. She died in 1881. They had three children: Oliver, of Newside; Wilson, deceased, was married to Eleanor Hoffman. Issue: only son, Clarence, who died 1906, and Richard D., married to Emma Blose. They have these three children: Stanley, Earl, and Esther. In 1884, Mr. Hunsicker was married the second time to Attallia, daughter of George Krause and the widow of Alfred Hoffman, by whom she had these three children: (1) Blassins, with whom she died on December 1, 1911, aged 60 years, 9 months, and 13 days; (2) Mrs. Lewis Roth, of Bests, and (3) Herbert Hoffman, of Balliettsville. Mr. and Mrs. Hunsicker had one child, Agnes, who died of diphtheria, when a child.

Harrison H. Hunsicker, son of Jonas and Salome (Fink), was born May 3, 1843. He is an exceptional able carpenter, and wood-worker and for thirty-five years followed the undertaking business at Saegersville, where he still lives. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Reserves during the Civil War. He married Maria Hartline, a daughter of Benjamin Hartline, a native from Berks county. Their children are: Jennie, the wife of Wesley Best; Louisa; James A. G.; John; Henry; and Minnie.

JAMES A. G. HUNSICKER is the undertaker at Saegersville, where he was born June 13, 1880. He was reared with the business under the supervision of his father, whom he succeeded in 1899, and since that time he buried 451 people. He was auditor of Heidelberg township. He is a Republican. He and family worship in Heidelberg church and they are members of the Re-



formed congregation, which since 1907 he serves as a deacon. He is active in Sunday school work and was the superintendent of the Union school from 1902 until 1912, also was the teacher of the Bible class. He owns a small tract of land in Saegersville, which was the John Miller homestead. On August 29, 1899 he married Emma Bennighoff, daughter of William and Adalina (Hoffman) Bennighoff, of Lowhill. Their children are: Roma L., Norman J., Loide M., Mary A., and Annie R.

Reuben Hunsicker was born in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, in 1817, and was the only son of Daniel and ——— (Snyder) Hunsicker. When a young man he settled in Carbon county, where he was married to Lucy Bower, a daughter of Gottlieb Bower. He was a butcher and since 1851 lived at Lehigh, where he died in June, 1894, aged 77 years. His wife, Lucy, died in February, 1900, aged 75 years. They had twelve children, namely: Edwin; Levi; Charles F.; Harrison J., died in 1899, aged 53 years; Amanda; Ellen; Sarah; Milton; Thomas; Lizzie; Alvesta; and Albert.

Charles F. Hunsicker, Sr., was born in East Penn township, Carbon county, on Nov. 8, 1847. In 1851 his parents moved to Lehigh and there he grew up with the butcher business. In 1873 he moved to Catasauqua where he carries on the trade to this time. He is a Republican and for six years he served in council of that borough. Like his father, he and children are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a member of the Knights of Malta and the P. O. S. of A. In 1875 he married Ellen Easterday, daughter of William and Eliza (Eberhart) Easterday. They have two sons, William H. and Charles F., Jr.

William H. Hunsicker was born at Catasauqua, on August 25, 1876. He was educated in the common schools and took a course in the American Commercial School at Allentown; entered the employ of the L. V. R. R., as telegraph operator in 1895, served at a number of stations, resigned, and in 1905 accepted a clerical position with the Atlas Cement Company. He is unmarried and is a member of the Knights of Malta, and the I. O. O. F., both of Catasauqua.

Charles F. Hunsicker, Jr., was born at Catasauqua, on August 8, 1881. He was educated in the common schools and took a course in the American Commercial School at Allentown, graduated in 1899; then accepted a position as bookkeeper with Schick & Hausman, plumbers and gas-fitters, at Catasauqua, served them six years; was clerk for Atlas Cement Co. for five years, and on January 1, 1912, accepted a clerkship with the Lehigh Portland Cement Co. He

is unmarried and like his brother, resides with his parents.

Nathan Hunsicker, son of Joseph, was born in Heidelberg, and moved across the Blue mountain into West Penn township, Schuylkill county. He had a 100-acre farm there, which he cultivated. The farm is now owned by his son-in-law, Frank Wehr. He is buried at the West Penn Evangelical church, of which he and family were members. The children by his first wife were: Nathan D., Joseph, Owen, Jeremiah, and Catharine, who was married twice, first to Jacob Snyder and second to a Fisher. Nathan Hunsicker was married (second) to Mary Reinhard, and their two children were: Mary, the wife of Frank Wehr, who lives at Leibysville, Pa., and Rosa, married to Rev. Stephen Zuber.

Nathan D. Hunsicker, son of Nathan, was born May 30, 18—. He was a farmer on his 120-acre tract until he engaged in selling agricultural implements and fertilizers at Leibysville, in Schuylkill county, where he now lives. He served West Penn township on the school board, and for more than twenty years is the assessor of that district. He and family are active members of the United Evangelical Church, serving it as trustee, class-leader, and exhorter. He married Elizabeth Zimmerman, a daughter of Benjamin and Polly (Mantz) Zimmerman. Their children are: Lewis A., H. Edwin, Alice, the widow of Wellas Haas; and Mary J., who died in childhood.

Lewis A. Hunsicker, son of Nathan D., was born in the Mahoning Valley, October 23, 1872. He was reared upon the farm in the Lizzard Creek Valley. In 1901 he began farming in Whitehall township, Lehigh county. He has charge of the West Coplay farms of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, which embraces nearly 500 acres. He is a member of Camp 44, P. O. S. of A., of Mahoning, and the Buffaloes, of Allentown. He married, in 1895, Polly O. Breiner. They have these children: Mary; Charles; George; Kate; Alice; Laura, deceased; Lulu; Nathan, and Ellen M.

John Hunsicker lived at Catasauqua, Pa., and he was employed there in the Rufus Wint planing Mill until he was killed accidentally on May 13, 1880, aged 63 years, 8 months, and 28 days. He was married to Caroline Lynn, and she died Oct. 3, 1899, aged 81 years, 4 months, and 25 days. They are buried on the Fairview cemetery at Catasauqua. They had a son, William H., who was born in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pa., November 25, 1842. He followed the wheelwright trade earlier in life, but later for twenty-six years, he was engaged in the wholesale liquor business at 25 North Tenth

street, Philadelphia. He was associated with Frank P. Dilly, under the name of Dilly & Hunsicker. They did their own rectifying and employed eight people. The firm is still engaged in business. Mr. Hunsicker did much traveling in the interest of the business and had charge of sixteen counties in this state. He died August 27, 1903. On June 18, 1865, he married Sabina C. Mohry, who was born February 17, 1849, and died December 29, 1906. Their children are: Laura Jane (1867-1889); Irwin James; Harrison H., born Jan. 5, 1871; Mary A. (1872-1878); and Howard P. (1875-1898).

IRWIN JAMES HUNSICKER, of Allentown, was born August 31, 1868. He was educated in the public schools in Catasauqua, Philadelphia, and at Allentown. At the age of seventeen years he began work in the Adelaide Silk Mill, at Allentown, and he followed the silk business for about seven years. He was connected with a hotel at Bethlehem for some time after which he and his father became partners in the Ebbecke Hardware Company, Allentown, for six years. Afterward he conducted the hotel at 627 Gordon street, for several years and from there they moved into their private residence at 225 North Seventh street. Mr. Hunsicker occasionally deals in real estate and he has large holdings in Allentown. He is a member of, and a trustee of, the One Year Beneficial Association, of Allentown, since 1906. He is married to Jennie Hilyard, a daughter of William H. and Emma J. Hilyard, of Allentown. They have an only daughter, May Isabelle Hunsicker, who is a student in the high school.

#### JOSEPH HUTCHINSON.

Joseph Hutchinson, engineer at the Allentown Rolling Mills, was born March 6, 1854, at Allentown, and attended the public schools, but while still young was put to work in a furnace and he continued in iron works at Allentown and Catasauqua for upwards of ten years, excepting time he was in employ of his uncle, Capt. Joseph Machette, operating a stone quarry. He next worked at the Cornwall iron mines for four years running a steam drill; then returned to Allentown and has since filled the position of engineer at iron works, since 1895 in the machine shop of the Allentown Rolling Mills. He is a charter member of the American Order of Steam Engineers, and of Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, of Odd Fellows, and affiliated with the Sons of Veterans, of which he is a past captain. He organized the "Firing Squad" and participated in the first burial of a Son, and also of a veteran of the Spanish-American War. He attended the dedication of the Soldiers' Monument in Centre Square, of

Allentown, being one of the squad that fired a volley during the impressive services. In politics he has been an active Republican.

Mr. Hutchinson was married to Maria Louisa Horn, daughter of Tilghman Horn, and they have two children: Annie Carrie, at home with her parents; and Edwin Thomas Horn, formerly of Allentown, now of New York City.

His father was born in Ireland and emigrated in boyhood to America, locating at Catasauqua, where he worked until the breaking out of the Civil War, when he enlisted and served until the close of the war.

The father died young and left four children: Joseph; Richard James; Lizzie, m. Alfred Redfield; and Annie, residing at Vineland, N. J.

#### HYDE FAMILY.

The name of Hyde is one which has been famous in the annals of this country and England for many generations. Bearers of this name held many positions of honor under both governments, and they were also well known in professional life. Representatives of the family are now to be found in every state in the Union. Exact connection between the various branches cannot always be traced owing to the destruction of early records during the periods of hardship and warfare which the early colonists were called upon to endure.

Jacob Hyde, a butcher of Philadelphia, was married to Catharine Trout. They were the parents of two children: Joseph, and George J.

George J. Hyde was born at Boyertown, Berks county, Pennsylvania, Aug. 15, 1828, and is still actively engaged at his trade of shoemaking at Fullerton, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Kutz, of Freidensburg, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, and they have had children: George E., now deceased, who was in business at Catasauqua; Frank L., a tool maker, resides in Fullerton; Adam H., of further mention.

ADAM H., son of George J. and Sarah (Kutz) Hyde, was born at Frackville, Schuylkill county, Pennsylvania, in 1870. He was educated in the public schools in the vicinity of his home, and also spent two years in the schools of Catasauqua. Upon leaving school he found employment in the hard coal mines at Shenandoah, Schuylkill county, and then became a brakeman on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He was advanced to the position of fireman, then engineer, and finally conductor, having charge of the old Mine Hall branch of the main line. He next became engineer on the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, running as far west as Salt Lake City, Utah; then held the same position on the Oregon Short Line Railroad, which



ran out of Salt Lake City; then engineer on the California or Southern Pacific Railroad, which had its headquarters at Sacramento, California. Returning to Salt Lake City, he was a stationary engineer for some time there, then accepted a position with a tool works at St. Catherine, Ontario, Canada. In 1912 he went to Fullerton, where he became engineer and fireman for the Lehigh Car Wheel and Axle Works, a responsible position which he is filling with ability. Mr. Hyde is a member of the Order of Firemen, and of the K. of F. He is unmarried, and resides with his father.

#### IOBST FAMILY.

Among the families that became prominent in the settlement of the quaint old Moravian town of "Emaus," were the Iobsts, of which John George Iobst was the pioneer ancestor. He had two sons, Frederick T., and Francis Iobst.

Frederick T. Iobst came to this country with his parents while a young man. He engaged in the general weaving business which he pursued in connection with other avocations for many years. He was a musician of rare ability, a music teacher, leader of orchestras, and instructor of many brass bands. Immediately prior to the Civil War he toured the Southern states at the head of an orchestra. Upon his return to Lehigh county he engaged in the mining of iron ore in which business he was engaged for many years. In addition, he built more than two hundred houses at Emaus, and in the First ward, Allentown.

In 1859, he was elected the first burgess of the borough of Emaus, which office he served up to 1864. He was one of the early Moravians and was deeply interested in the spiritual welfare of his town and community in which his reputation and character was without blemish.

Frederick T. Iobst married Hannah Knauss. They had the following children: Henry; John; Amelia, the wife of Herman Giering, who lived at Emlenton, Pa.; Edward; Joseph; and William.

John Iobst, the second son of Frederick T. and Hannah (Knauss) Iobst, was born in 1838. He was engaged in the coal business at Emaus for forty years. He served during the Civil War, as leader of the 104th Penna. Regimental Band. His death occurred in 1911, at Emaus, where he is buried on the Moravian cemetery.

He married Josephine R. Giering, daughter of John and Catharine (Doll) Giering. They have eight children, as follows: Fred; Amelia, married to William Jarrett; Emma; Nora, married to John Treichler, of Emaus; Rev. Harry J., married to Miss Florence Sebring, daughter

of Rev. Henry Sebring, a Methodist minister who lived in Berks county; Robert Iobst married to Cynthia Walter; Richard W., history follows; and Ella L., who is the assistant postmistress at Emaus.

RICHARD W. IOBST, ESQ., the present postmaster at Emaus, is a native of that old Moravian community. He was born June 8, 1881, and it was there that he was educated in the public schools and in the Emaus high school. He then entered the Perkiomen Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1904. Afterward he learned the art of telegraphy and was an operator for seven years. He has been active in Democratic politics since he is of age. He was a justice of the peace for six years, and borough treasurer one term. In 1908 he was admitted to the bar of Lehigh county, and since that time he has been an active practitioner of the law. Mr. Iobst has been district chairman of the Democratic party in Lehigh county for three years, and on July 10, 1913, was appointed postmaster of Emaus, by President Woodrow Wilson.

On Oct. 10, 1907, he married Miss Minnie A. Fuhr, daughter of William and Emma (Herman) Fuhr. Mr. and Mrs. Iobst have a son, Carl R. F.

Edward Iobst, the third son of Frederick, was born at Emaus, Aug. 8, 1851. He owned several farms, comprising more than 400 acres of fertile land. He and his wife Lucinda, a daughter of Enos and Eliza (Weaver) Heist, were members of the Moravian Church. They had an only child that died in infancy.

STEPHEN S. IOBST, the fourth son of Frederick, was born at Emaus in 1855. He was reared to the pursuit of an agriculturist, but in 1890 he purchased the Emaus coal yards from his brother, and has been engaged extensively in the coal, lumber and cement business up to the present time. He is one of the prosperous business men of that borough; is treasurer of the Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Emaus, is superintendent of the Mountain Water Company; member of the Emaus Board of Trade; was a director of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company for nine years; school director for three years; and served as borough treasurer for one term. He was a trustee of the Moravian Church, and represented the Church in its several conferences.

He married Elizabeth Wenner, daughter of Jacob and Judith Wenner. They have the following children: Catharine, a public school teacher of Emaus; Caroline, married to Percival Stansfield, of West Brownsville, Pa.; Annie, a

public school teacher; Forrest, married to Irene Miller; Clarence; Edgar; Helen; and Elizabeth.

William Iobst, the fifth son of Frederick, was at Emaus, in 1865, and died there in 1904, being buried in the Moravian cemetery. He married Elizabeth Schumacher, daughter of Simon and Sarah (Desh) Schumacher. Their children are: Charles, Mary, and Howard Iobst.

Charles Iobst, son of William, married Emma Biery, and their children are: Floyd, Walter, William, Lillian, Jennie, and Arthur.

Francis Iobst, the second son of John George, the pioneer, was married and had a son, Theodore, who married Alavesta Griesemer, and their children were: Milton, married to Annie Schmoyer; Ellen, married to Frank Horlacher; George, married to Emma Wagner; Albert, married (first) Eliza Wagner, (second) Ella Hoffman; Emily, married to Tilghman Wieder; Edwin, married Mamie Blank; Harvey; Wilson, married to Alice Johanning, of Allentown; and Oliver, married to Florence Ebert, of Allentown.

HARVEY L. IOBST, the fifth son of Theodore, was born at Emaus, where he attended the public schools. When sixteen years of age he learned the trade of brick-laying, which he followed as a journeyman until 1900. In that year he formed a partnership with Oscar Miller, under the firm name of Miller & Iobst, who are now brick-laying contractors and plasterers, who enjoy a large business and employ a number of skilled mechanics.

Mr. Iobst married Emma Miller, a daughter of Aaron and Caroline (Mohr) Miller. They have the following children: Benjamin, married to Florence Eisenhart; Paul; Esther; Martin; Mildred; Margaret; and Francis.

#### A. K. JACKS.

A. K. Jacks, secretary and treasurer of the Allentown Crockery Company, was born at Rutherford, Dauphin county, in 1857, and was a son of Thomas and Antonnetta (DeWitt) Jacks. The Jacks family is of French Huguenot extraction and was corrupted from Jacques. The family was planted on American soil by Lancelot Jacques, in 1740, whose parents fled to England after the Revolution. Lancelot Jacques first came to Annapolis, Md., as agent for a company of planters. In 1765, in company with others, he acquired a tract of 15,900 acres of land near Clear Spring, where they erected the first furnace in Western Maryland. Thomas Jacks is a descendant of this pioneer.

Mr. Jacks attended the Indiana State Normal School, and for seven years followed teaching as a

vocation, after which he was engaged in the milling and grain business at Lickdale, Pa., for two years. In 1884, Mr. Jacks located in Allentown, accepting a position as bookkeeper and continued in this position until 1893, when he became one of the organizers of the Allentown Crockery Co., a successful business house of Allentown. He is identified with the Republican party and was a member of select council from the Eleventh ward for four years, and prior to this time was a member of the board of control of the Fourth ward. He was also secretary of the section board for some years. Mr. Jacks is identified with various bodies of the Masonic fraternity, is secretary of Barger Lodge, No. 333, and is a member of the governing board of the Y. M. C. A., of this city, since 1886. He and his family worship in St. Paul's Lutheran church, of which Mr. Jacks is financial secretary since 1886, and for a quarter of a century he has served as the esteemed teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class connected with this church.

On April 20, 1883, he married Remeta T. Shoemaker, whose family history appears in these volumes. They had three children: Helen, wife of J. Arthur Singmaster, of Palmerton; Charles T., a law student in the University of Pennsylvania, and Carolyn, deceased.

#### JACKSON FAMILY.

Benjamin Jackson, born in Manchester, England, came to America about 1868, landing in Boston. He went westward in a "Prairie Schooner," and settled near Salt Lake City, Utah, where he followed farming during his lifetime.

John Jackson, son of Benjamin, was born in Manchester, England, and in 1853, at the age of 15 years, ran away from the parental roof, landing in Boston two years preceding his father. He went to Weymouth, Mass., remaining there two years; from there he went to Bridgewater, Mass., eventually becoming a stationary engineer of the Bridgewater Iron Co. He also was a blacksmith. He was a charter member of the I. O. O. F. lodge at Bridgewater.

He married Elizabeth Cart, daughter of Edward and Christiana (Waite) Cart, and their children were: William, died in infancy; Martha, married Nelson Gasset, of Jamaica Plains, Mass.; John Benjamin, of whom below; Fannie E., married C. C. Jasselyn, of Arlington, Mass., and Lucy, who married Harry Kirkman, of Salt Lake City, Utah. He died in July, 1901, and he and his wife were interred in the cemetery at Bridgewater, Mass.

John Benjamin Jackson, son of John and Elizabeth (Cart) Jackson, was born Dec. 9, 1863, at Bridgewater, Mass. He was educated



in the public and high schools. He then went west, where he remained a year, when he returned to Bridgewater, and entered the employ of the Bridgewater Roller Mills; then was with the Eagle Cotton Gin Co., and still later with Henry Perkins, as a machinist, remaining for twelve years. He then became a member of the corporation, the Taunton Wire Nails Co., and at the end of three years, disposed of his interest. In 1897 he removed to Allentown, and became an employ of the Consolidated Steel and Wire Co., now the American Steel and Wire Co., where he now holds the position of foreman of the nail department, and has held this position for nearly seventeen years.

In politics he is a Republican, and is a member of the Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F.

He married, June 21, 1888, in Easton, Mass., Miss Kate Melvine Egan, daughter of Michael and Lucy Waite (Morse) Egan, of West Bridgewater. Their children are: Charles Edwin, born Oct. 23, 1889, married Bessie Ames, daughter of Ellis Ames, of Brockton, and Melvin Morse, born May 23, 1892, at present in the dairy business at Brockton and Taunton, Mass.

#### JACOBY FAMILY.

Peter Jacobi, an immigrant from the Palatinate, Germany, arrived in America, in the ship "St. Mark." He qualified for citizenship at Philadelphia, Sept. 26, 1741. He settled in Bucks county, Pa. He married Mary Elizabeth Heuer, who survived her husband for many years. She died at an advanced age, at the home of her son-in-law, Andrew Snyder, in Richland township, Bucks county. Her death occurred previous to Jan. 9, 1790, since letters of administration were granted on her estate, on that date, to Andrew Snyder. Their children named in the distribution account filed were the following: Conrad, the "eldest son," who accordingly received a double portion; Henry; George; John; and Margaret. Conrad was born June 7, 1730, and Margaret, who was probably the youngest, was born Jan. 6, 1749, and died March 22, 1828.

Conrad Jacobi was granted a warrant for land in Bedminster township, Bucks county, from the Proprietaries of Pennsylvania on May 18, 1751. In April, 1768, he bought a tract of land of 220½ acres in Springfield township, adjoining the Durham township line. He sold this property in 1779 and settled on a tract of 259 acres in Durham township. In 1787 he returned to Bedminster township, where he purchased a farm of 152 acres, near the old Tohicken church, and he remained there until his decease, March 26, 1795.

Conrad Jacobi married, Feb. 11, 1755, Hannah Riegel, born May 27, 1729, and died at the

home of her son, Leonard Jacobi, in Hilltown township, Bucks county, Nov. 27, 1828, at the age of 99 years, 6 months. Their children were: Philip, Peter, John, Benjamin, Margaret, Catharine, Henry, died young, Elizabeth, Henry, and Leonard Jacobi.

Peter Jacobi, the second son of Conrad and Hannah (Riegel) Jacoby, was born Jan. 1, 1759. He, like his father, was a blacksmith and farmer. He bought from his father, 70 acres of land in Durham township, in 1792, and subsequently purchased several additional smaller tracts. While attending court at Doylestown, the county seat, as a juror, he contracted a fever, from which he died on March 11, 1815.

Peter Jacoby married Catherine Trauger, born Sept. 29, 1763, and died Sept. 4, 1844, daughter of Christian and Anna Trauger, of Bucks county. Issue: John, Elizabeth, Mary, Benjamin, Barbara, Catherine, Hannah, Sarah, Peter, Samuel, and Susanna Jacoby. Barbara and Sarah died in early youth.

*Note:* His oldest brother, Philip, always signed his name as Jacobi, while the others changed the final *i* to *y*.

Benjamin Jacoby, the fourth son of Conrad and Hannah (Riegel) Jacoby, was born Sept. 9, 1786. In 1810 he bought a small farm in Nockamixon township, where he followed his trade as a mason, in the open season, and taught school during the winter months. In 1816 he bought a farm of 90 acres near Frenchtown, New Jersey, where he remained until 1826, when he returned to his native township, and bought a farm in Springfield township, adjoining the farm purchased by his grandfather, Conrad, in 1768. This farm still remains in possession of his descendants, being now (1914) owned by his grandson, Henry S. Jacoby, a brother of Lewis S. Jacoby. It is on the road between Springtown and Bursonville. In 1839 he rented the farm to his son, Peter, and removed to the village of Springtown. He served for three months in the army during the War of 1812, his company being stationed at Marcus Hook, to guard the approach to Philadelphia, after the burning of Washington D. C., in 1814. He was a member of the Evangelical Church. He died at Springtown, Oct. 29, 1850, and was interred in the cemetery connected with that church, where a tombstone marked his grave. Benjamin Jacoby married (first) Margaret Landis, (1788-1827), daughter of Samuel and Susanna (Newcomer) Landis. He married (second) in 1829, Margaret Werst, daughter of Peter Werst, born April 1, 1785, and died Sept. 26, 1844. His children were: Samuel; Peter Landis; Catherine, (1812-1897); Caroline; Susanna; Anna; Benjamin; John; and Levi Jacoby.

Benjamin was located in Philadelphia, where he died, and a son, Theodore, now deceased, survived him. John, a farmer and shoemaker, died at South Allentown. He had children: Ella, Annie, Miriam, Wesley, Isburn, Jacob, and Henry Jacoby. Levi Jacoby resided at Syracuse, N. Y., and was an Evangelical preacher. He had a son, William, and one daughter.

Samuel Jacoby, son of Benjamin and Susan (Landis) Jacoby, was born the 19th day of September, 1810, and died Nov. 6, 1894. He resided in Bethlehem since about 1850, where he died and was buried at Nisky Hill. Blacksmithing was his early occupation, but later he became a farmer and a teamster. He was an active member of the Evangelical Church, in which he was a class leader and trustee. He married Sarah Mill, a daughter of George and Catherine (Guth) Mill. Mr. Mill was a farmer. They had the following children: William, of whom below; and Enos, who died at the age of three years.

William Jacoby, son of Samuel Jacoby, was born Sept. 17, 1839, in Durham township, in the home of his grandfather, George Mill. He died in Allentown in 1912.

He followed coopering for forty years. When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in Company B, 153d Regiment of Pennsylvania Vol. Infantry, and served ten months. He participated in the battle of Chancellorsville, and on the 2d, 3d and 4th of July in the battle of Gettysburg, and on July 3d, while in action, received a flesh wound in his thigh.

At the close of the war he returned to his home in Bethlehem, where he again followed coopering, and in 1871 located in Allentown, where he continued to reside up to the time of his death. Since 1891 the family residence is at 130 North Penn street. Mr. Jacoby followed his trade until January, 1906, when he retired. He and his family were faithful members of the Ebenezer Evangelical church, where he served as class leader and Sunday school teacher for many years.

On March 8, 1860, he was united in marriage to Eliza Ann Frey, daughter of Edwin and Catherine Frey, of New Jersey. Mr. Frey, prior to his marriage, was located at Shoenersville, where he was married to Catherine Winters, a daughter of Jacob Winters, whose son, Lewis, was a stage coach driver for many years, running between Allentown and Bernville, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Jacoby had four children, viz: Wilson G. E., mentioned later; Valeria, married to David H. Price, a machinist of Allentown; Emma, who died single, on Feb. 16, 1911; and Edwin S., who died in infancy.

WILSON G. E. JACOBY, president of the Peters & Jacoby Company, Inc., a director of the Second National Bank, and a member of the firm of Arbogast & Bastian Company, at Allentown, was born in Bethlehem, Aug. 3, 1861. At the age of fourteen years he became an employee of Horn & Miller, manufacturers of ice cream, bread and cakes, located at No. 627 Hamilton street, Allentown. He continued as an employee of this firm for a number of years and later worked in Philadelphia to complete his trade. In 1883, he returned to Allentown, and accepted a position as foreman with L. P. Peters, located at No. 122 North Seventh street. He served Mr. Peters for a period of three years, when Mr. Jacoby and Ambrose F. Peters, son of L. P. Peters, purchased the business, which they have been conducting in a very successful and satisfactory manner to the present time.

Mr. Jacoby is a member of the following lodges: Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen Council, No. 23; Allen Chapter, No. 203; Allen Commandery, No. 20; Rajah Temple, Reading; Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F., of Allentown.

Mr. Jacoby is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, which he had served as a deacon and elder. He is a Republican in politics.

In 1890 he was married to Alice M. Schadt, daughter of ex-county treasurer John J. and Anna (Burger) Schadt, of Lehigh county.

Peter Landis Jacoby, the second son of Benjamin and Margaret (Landis) Jacoby, was born Feb. 9, 1813. He had the benefit of good English schools in New Jersey, until he was thirteen years of age, and subsequently his elementary education was supplemented at Arnold's select school, in Durham township, Bucks county, where he received thorough instruction in arithmetic, book-keeping and the writing of ordinary legal documents. He taught school for several seasons, but after his marriage devoted himself exclusively to agricultural pursuits. He resided on his father-in-law's farm, in Milford township, from 1837 until the spring of 1839, when he took charge of his father's farm in Springfield township. After his father's decease in 1850, he purchased the homestead and later bought additional adjoining lands. On this homestead he resided until his decease, July 3, 1876. He was a prosperous farmer and was actively interested in the public affairs of his neighborhood and especially in the work of the church and Sunday school. While he occupied various official positions in the church for over thirty years, he never held any political office.

Peter L. Jacoby married Barbara Shelly, daughter of John and Mary (Snyder) Shelly, Aug. 20



1837. During her 28 years of widowhood, she lived with all her children, until her decease, June 12, 1904.

Their children were: Mary Ann, Titus, Amanda, Lewis Shelly, John, and Henry Sylvester Jacoby. Mary Ann died, aged 22 years. Amanda married Henry Unangst, and died near Pleasant Valley, Bucks county, Feb. 16, 1888.

Titus resides at Bethlehem, Pa.; Lewis S. and John, at Allentown; and Henry, at Ithaca, N. Y.

LEWIS S. JACOBY, a civil engineer and architect, long a resident of Allentown, is a native of Bucks county, Pa. He is a second son of Peter L. and Barbara (Shelly) Jacoby; was born April 4, 1848, on the old Jacoby homestead near Springtown, Bucks county; spent his childhood, youth and early manhood at home, attending the public schools and academy at Springtown, then he attended a private school, taking up the higher branches of education.

He then became a teacher in the public schools of Springtown in 1865, and in 1867 taught one term in "Hellers School," in the Upper Saucon Valley, Lehigh county. In 1868, he removed to Allentown, and soon afterward entered the office of G. A. Aschbach, a leading civil engineer and architect, where he remained three and one-half years, when he became associated in business with Mr. Aschbach, and they moved their office to New York City, where Mr. Jacoby took a special course in architectural work, in Cooper Institute.

After doing business in New York for about one year, the office was again established in Allentown, and continued until the death of Mr. Aschbach in 1875.

Mr. Jacoby has designed the Second National Bank building, Allentown, and on its completion, had his offices therein. For several years he served as engineer of the boroughs of South Bethlehem, Catasauqua, Lehigh, etc. In 1889 he was appointed city engineer of Allentown, and under his charge various important municipal improvements were installed.

On Feb. 7, 1895, Mr. Jacoby formed a partnership with S. A. Weishampel, of Philadelphia. They do business under the name of Jacoby & Weishampel. The firm has offices in the Commonwealth building, Allentown.

Prior to 1895, Mr. Jacoby designed and supervised the erection of many buildings in Catasauqua, Bethlehem, and Reading, Pa., also a large number of residences, churches, factories, and stores, in Allentown and outside places.

From 1895 to the present time (1914) scores of fine buildings in Allentown and other surrounding cities bear witness to the skill of the architectural firm of Jacoby and Weishampel.

Lewis Shelly Jacoby was married in Philadelphia, in 1875, to Miss Laura R. Broes, daughter of Dr. Peter and Frances (Todd) Broes, of Philadelphia. Their children were: Albert Lewis, of whom below; Adolph; Laura R.; Virginia; Frances; Agretta; Carrie I.; Arthur H.; and William Clark, who died in infancy.

Albert Lewis Jacoby was born in 1879, at Allentown; was educated in the public schools and in Muhlenberg College. He then entered the employ of Anderson & Darrah Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa., remaining with them ten years. In 1912 he became connected with the Virginia-Carolina Supply Company, of Norfolk, Va., taking charge of the heating and ventilating end of their extensive business.

He married Florence Hudson, daughter of Judge William A. Hudson, of Pittsburgh. They have a son, William Albert Jacoby.

Adolph Jacoby is a travelling salesman of Columbus, O.; Virginia, married George W. Bishop, a jeweler of Philadelphia, is now a widow and resides at Philadelphia; Frances, married John Smith, a merchant, of Philadelphia; Agretta, married Henry Spare, an interior decorator, of Philadelphia; and Arthur H., is married and is an engineer residing at Washington, D. C.

Leonard Jacoby, the youngest son of Conrad and Hannah (Riegel) Jacoby, was born Dec. 25, 1778, in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pa. He was a school teacher and stone mason. He removed from Hilltown township, Bucks county, to Allentown in the spring of 1855, residing at Eighth and Walnut streets. He married, March 6, 1804, Elizabeth Ott, daughter of John and Margaret Ott, of Bedminster township. He died Oct. 28, 1864, at Allentown. He had eight children: Amos; Elizabeth; Thomas; Sarah, died single; John, of Philadelphia; and Hannah Jacoby. Elizabeth married Benjamin Landis, of Upper Saucon township. They lived in Center Valley, 1834 to 1840, then removed to Allentown. In 1865 he bought the residence of his father-in-law, Leonard Jacoby, and there both lived all their lives. She died in 1883 and he died in 1892.

Their only living child is John L. Landis, 35 Charles street, New York.

Thomas Jacoby, son of Leonard, was born July 26, 1812, in Hilltown township, and died in Allentown, July 28, 1876. His wife, Sarah, daughter of George and Catharine (King) Eckhart, was born March 15, 1816, and died Nov. 8, 1913, at 107 South Fourth street, Allentown, aged 97 years. She married Mr. Jacoby in 1836 and in 1857 moved to Allentown. Mr. Jacoby learned the trade of masonry and helped to construct many of the factories and other buildings

in and around Manayunk and Conshohocken. Being a man of means, he lived retired the first few years he lived in Allentown. Subsequently he was made collector of water taxes and later superintendent of the water works. In 1867 he was elected county commissioner and upon completion of the new county prison he was made its first warden, all of which trusts he executed faithfully and to the great satisfaction of the public. Later he was engaged in the slate business. He and family were members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Jacoby were the parents of the following children: Dr. Benjamin F., born Sept. 13, 1837, died Nov. 5, 1898; Caroline, born Sept. 25, 1841, unmarried, who resides at 107 South Fourth street, and is an artist, making a specialty of painting flowers; and John M.

John M. Jacoby, of Allentown, was born in Bucks county, April 4, 1846. He began teaching school in Whitehall in 1864, where he taught two terms. He also taught two terms in Allentown. He operated the Trout Creek Mill from 1867 to 1878. In the latter year he moved to 933 Walnut street, Allentown, where he resided until his death in 1913. He was warden of the Lehigh county prison from 1881 to 1883, and was a staunch Democrat. He served as deputy sheriff under Frank Schwoyer. While residing in Salisbury township he filled the office of justice of the peace for three years. He was also school director in the same township. He was United States gauger under President Cleveland's first administration. For many years he was an auctioneer at real estate and household goods sales.

In 1866, he married Ella C. Dubbs, daughter of Robert and Caroline (Ludwig) Dubbs. Issue: Jennie M. (1867-1910), married to John C. Ruhe; Emma R., married to Nathan A. Haas; Thomas A., of Fullerton; Benjamin F. (1876-1898), married to Mame McCloskey; John H., died in infancy; and George L., single.

THOMAS A. JACOBY, son of John M. and Ella C. (Dubbs) Jacoby, was born in Salisbury township, Sept. 20, 1872. He was educated in the public schools and the Allentown high school. He learned the upholstering trade and followed it as journeyman for fifteen years. In 1903 he became connected with the Kurtz Furniture Company and is its secretary since the incorporation of the company. Socially he belongs to the Woodmen of the World, and the Order of Red Men of Catasauqua. In 1896, he was married to Dora Wright, daughter of Sevilla Wright, of Catawissa. Mr. and Mrs. Jacoby are members of St. John's Reformed church, Allentown.

Hannah Jacoby, the youngest child of Leonard and Elizabeth Jacoby, married John A. Loux,

Esq., of Bedminster township. After her death, their daughter, Amanda, resided in Allentown until her decease.

Henry Jacoby, the second son of Peter (the immigrant) and Elizabeth Heuer Jacobi, settled in Lower Mount Bethel township, Northampton county, where he had a farm of 200 acres. George Jacoby settled in Upper Milford township and later removed to York county. He married, Jan. 17, 1773, Anna, daughter of Michael Eberhard.

#### DANIEL JACOBY.

Daniel Jacoby, the well-known liveryman of Allentown, was born Dec. 27, 1851, in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, and is a son of Conrad and Elizabeth (Hoffman) Jacoby. The latter was a farmer and had children, Daniel, Conrad, and Elizabeth. The last two stayed in the Fatherland.

Daniel Jacoby was educated in the schools of Germany, according to the curriculum of that country, and in 1866 he came to these United States, landing at Castle Garden, New York, from thence he proceeded directly to Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where his uncle, John Hoffman, had previously settled. Mr. Jacoby was employed for two years upon a farm by Lewis Troxell, and for one year by Peter Strauss, who lived in the same locality. Afterward he learned the trade of a blacksmith from Reuben Rehrig, who lived at Treichlers. Two years later he opened up his own shop near Laurys, conducting it for two years. In 1872 he paid a visit to his native country, remaining for six months. Upon his return the panic of '73 was rife in the land and Mr. Jacoby established a blacksmith shop at Hosensack, and continued there for five years; later he followed the trade near Zionsville for five or six years and in Upper Macungie for two years; and still later he operated a grist-mill at Lanark. In 1890 he removed to Allentown and engaged in the livery business in the First ward, next to the Jordan House; thereafter for a period of about twenty years he owned and successfully conducted the Grand Central stables. In 1904 he established himself at his present place, No. 1027-29 Linden street, where he has forty-five feet frontage on Linden street by 120 feet in depth. He conducts the largest teaming and hauling business in Allentown and owns over fifty head of horses. Mr. Jacoby is an industrious and enterprising citizen. His success in life is due in large measure to his own individual efforts. He is a quiet, unassuming, and honest man, a member of the Lutheran Church, and a Democrat in politics.

In 1874 he married Sophia, a daughter of



George Reimer, of Petersville, Pa. Five children bless their union, viz: Wilson; H. Ellen, married to Charles Laub, of Allentown; Gertrude I.; Russel W.; and Raymond S.

#### JOHN JAINDL.

John Jaindl, a shoe merchant on Ridge avenue, in Allentown, was born at Poppendorf, in Hungary, on Feb. 22, 1880, and he received his education there in the public schools and learned the trade of shoemaker. He emigrated to America from Bremen, landing at New York on Oct. 19, 1899. He first secured employment in a cement mill at Jersey City, but worked there only a year, when he located at Allentown. He there entered a shoe factory to follow his trade and continued so engaged until the summer of 1913, when he embarked in the shoe business for himself and this he has since carried on in a successful manner.

On June 22, 1901, Mr. Jaindl was married to Mary Graler, a native of Poppenheim, born in 1882, and emigrated to America in 1900. They have two children: John, born May 2, 1902; and Herbert, born Dec. 9, 1908; and are members of the Roman Catholic church of the Sacred Heart.

His father, Michael Jaindl, is a contractor and builder in Hungary. He married Theresa Bindl, and they have eleven children: Frank, Joseph, John, Theresa, Louis, Rudolph, Andrew, Julia, Selia, August, and Adolph; of whom, besides John, the following also reside at Allentown: Louis, Andrew, and Julia.

#### HERBERT JAMES.

Herbert James, late of Catasauqua, Pa., was born Feb. 18, 1833, in Glamorganshire, South Wales, and emigrated to this country in 1852, locating first in New Jersey, and about a year later at Catasauqua, where he was employed by the Crane Iron Company as a locomotive engineer until his death, Dec. 3, 1911. His death resulted from the effects of a railroad wreck on the Lehigh Valley R. R. on Oct. 3, 1893, having been a cripple from that time. He lived at West Catasauqua since 1889 and his widow now occupies the residence which he built. He was a soldier in the Civil War; a member of the Fuller Post G. A. R. of Catasauqua, and of the Veteran Legion of Allentown.

Mr. James and his family, like their forebears, have always been loyal members of the Presbyterian church. He was first married to Gyanne Thomas, who died about 1859, and they had one son, Thomas Thomas of Slatington, Pa. In 1868 he married, second, Elizabeth Matchette, (a sister of Captain J. Matchette, whose his-

tory appears elsewhere in this volume), and they had the following children: H. Llewellyn (married Cora Goundie, and they live at Emaus and have three children: Llewellyn A., Herbert D., and Ella E.); George E. (married Annie Osman and they live at West Catasauqua and have five children: Edward L. J., Ray S., Morris S., Florence M., and Margaret E.); Janette E. (married Harry Dorward and they reside with Mrs. James at West Catasauqua and have five children: Janette E., Cora M., Beatrice E., Emma M. and Edna R.

#### JARRET FAMILY.

In the list of taxables in 1762, of Macungie township, appear the names of Isaac, John, Edward, and Philip "Jearet." They paid tax, which was recorded respectively in pounds as follows: 12, 24, 11, and 6 pounds. The names of William and Robert Jarret appears among the Revolutionary War patriots. William Jarret enlisted in 1777 for three years. He was a corporal in the Eighth Pennsylvania Regiment in Capt. Nehemiah Stokely's company. *Pa. Arch., Third Series, Vol. III, pp. 342, 348.* Robert Jarret enlisted Feb. 2, 1776, in the Sixth Pennsylvania Battalion, under the command of Col. W. Irvine. *Pa. Arch., Third Series, Vol. II, pp. 232, 234.*

The ancestor of the Jarret family was Isaac Jarret, who was of French descent. He died in Macungie township, in 1786. His will is of record at Easton, Pa., and mentions his wife, Catharine, and the following children: John (oldest son), Daniel, Jacob, Henry, Isaac, and Gertrude.

Edward Jarret, son of Isaac, Sr., died in 1802 and was also a resident of Macungie township. The name of his wife was Catharine. The will mentions these five daughters: Catharine, Margaretha, Mary, married to Henry Pisk; Regina, married to John Huber; and Elizabeth, married to Adam Libert, of Virginia; also these grandchildren: Paul Remus, John Statler, and Elizabeth Yeisley.

Henry Jarret son of the ancestor, was one of the most prominent men in the Fries Rebellion in 1798 and 1799.

#### JOHN HENRY BENJAMIN JARRETT.

John H. B. Jarrett, deceased, for many years a prominent and prosperous business man of Allentown, who during the Civil War, served his country, a native of Macungie, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, born in 1837, son of Benjamin and Miss (Knappenberger) Jarrett.

After completing his studies in the common schools of Lehigh county, he engaged in the to-

bacco business at East Greenville, Mercer county, Pennsylvania, and after gaining a thorough knowledge of the same he established a business on his own account, locating at No. 36 North Seventh street, and there conducted a wholesale and retail trade for more than thirty-five years, continuing up to the time of his death in 1910. On August 13, 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was sent to Camp Curtin, three days later. The regiment was ordered to Washington, D. C. the following day, and were stationed at Camp Arlington Heights, Virginia, Camp Fairfax Seminary, and at Fort Woodbury. They were assigned to the First Brigade, First Division, Twelfth Corps, September 14, 1862, and later to the One Hundred and Twenty-eighth New York, Tenth Maine, Fifth Connecticut, Forty-sixth, One Hundred and Twenty-fourth, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in position at South Mountain, Maryland; participated in Battle of Antietam, September 16-17, and he was injured slightly by a piece of shell; on duty at Sandy Hook and Maryland Heights; advanced to Warrenton, December, 10, 1862; at Nebasco river, December 16, 1862; engaged in Burnside's second campaign, January 20-24, 1863; in the expedition after Stewart's cavalry, January 28, 1863; Chancellorsville, Virginia, May 1-5, 1863; guarding prisoners, May 3, 1863; mustered out of government service May 19, 1863. Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, was commanded by Captain John P. Dillinger. Mr. Jarrett was a bondholder in the Adelaide Silk Mill, Pioneer Silk Mill and American Steel and Wire Company. He was a member of the Lehigh Lutheran church, a member of E. B. Young Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and a Republican in politics. He died April 4, 1910, aged seventy-three years, and was buried in Union cemetery.

Mr. Jarrett married (second) in 1895, in Allentown, Maggie Jane Wieder, born March 23, 1872, daughter of Stephen and Matilda (Shankweiler) Wieder, who were married Dec. 9, 1860. Stephen Wieder, born in Macungie township, Pennsylvania, Oct. 12, 1838, son of Joseph W. and Elizabeth (Bock) Wieder, and Matilda Wieder, his wife, was born in Lower Macungie, Pennsylvania, March 25, 1840, daughter of Daniel Shankweiler. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Wieder, all born in Lower Macungie: 1. Harvey Joseph, born Jan. 11, 1862; a tailor, employed with Koch & Pearson; resides on Linden street, Allentown. 2. Charles Henry, born Sept. 12, 1863, a blacksmith, married Alice

Shirer; resides at Emaus. 3. Ida Louisa, born Nov. 1, 1864; married Albert Freed, a cabinet maker of Allentown, son of John and Elemina (Kline) Freed. 4. Wilson Ellsworth, born Sept. 22, 1866; a blacksmith by trade. 5. Ella Katharine, born June 10, 1868; married Charles Biedler, a finisher of furniture; resides in Allentown. 6. Rosa Carolina Elizabeth, born March 8, 1870; married Peter De Long, who resides in Allentown. 7. Maggie Jane, aforementioned as the wife of Mr. Jarrett. 8. Stephen Percival, born Jan. 11, 1874, died young. 9. Matilda Missouri, born Dec. 21, 1875; married Harry Kleppinger, of Allentown. 10. Annie Gertrude, born Feb. 2, 1878; married Robert Bower, of Allentown. 11. William Daniel, born Dec. 4, 1879, died in 1902. The father of these children was a blacksmith by trade, and followed the same occupation for thirty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Jarrett were the parents of one child, Roscoe Quay, born Sept. 3, 1896; attended the common and high schools of Allentown, and is now employed in the Lehigh Valley Trust Company.

#### JENKINS FAMILY.

Andrew Jenkins, a native of County Antrim, Ireland, emigrated to these United States in 1863, settling at Hokendauqua, Pa., where he was employed by the Thomas Iron Company until his death on Aug. 8, 1893, aged fifty-six years.

In 1874 he had returned to his native land and there on Dec. 12, 1874, married Mary McNeilly. They together came to America on March 26, 1875, and became the parents of the following children: Isabella, married to R. Moncreiff, of Philadelphia; William J., of Allentown; Sarah J.; Mary, married to Charles K. Derr, of Reading; Nancy, married to Horace O. Warnkessel, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume; and Bessie M., married to Harry T. Kramlich, of Reading.

#### JOHNSON FAMILY.

Jacob Johnson, a pioneer, probably came from Germany, and was born in 1733, and died in 1813. The place of burial is unknown. He was married to a Miss Williams, of Welsh parentage. Their union was blessed with three sons and one daughter, viz: John Johnson, who had three sons and one daughter as follows: Phillip, John, Jacob and Sarah. William Johnson, second son of Jacob, was born Sept. 20, 1772, died on April 6, 1854. He is buried at Richlandtown, Bucks county, Pa. Benjamin Johnson, third son of Jacob, when about 45 years of age all traces of him were lost. Polly Johnson, daughter of Jacob, was married to Mr.







PROF. JOHN JOHNSON.



Bartell, in Gwynned township, Montgomery county, Pa.

William Johnson, the above named, resided in Richlandtown was married to Susanna Moyer. They were the parents of four sons and three daughters, namely: John, the oldest son, was born Nov. 7th, 1802. He was a miller at Applebachsville, Pa. His wife was Elizabeth Seipel. They had four daughters and one son, namely:

Henry, born Jan. 22, 1835.  
Sophia, born July 22, 1836.  
Susanna, born Dec. 31, 1844.  
Mary Ann, born Nov. 11, 1833.  
Lovina, born Sept. 30, 1847.

Jacob Johnson, second son of William, was born July 25th, 1805, in Gwynned township, Montgomery county. He was married to Mary M. Klinker, and they had three sons and two daughters, namely: Wm. Benjamin K., born October 8, 1836, died on January 22, 1908, and was buried in Fairview cemetery at Allentown; Catherine, was born Nov. 4, 1839; Levi and Ella Maria. Mariah, third child of William Johnson, was born in the year 1808. Elizabeth, a fourth child; Catharine, a fifth child; Levi M. Johnson, seventh child of William Johnson, was born January 26, 1824, in Montgomery county. He was a public school teacher at various places for a number of years and also taught music. He was married in 1852 to Alivina Shelly. She died on April 10, 1904, and was buried at Zions Hill, in Bucks county. They had two sons and one daughter, namely: Emma Matilda (Fisher), born March 21, 1853. Mahlon S., of Allentown, was born January 5, 1856. He was married in 1876 to Marietta Heil. They have two sons and two daughters, namely: Ella Jane, born March 2, 1877, married to Harvey Wurster in 1896, with whom she had one son, Harvey. She was married, second, in 1900, to Chas. Hillegas, with whom she has three daughters: Ruth, Grace and Helen the two latter ones being deceased. John, whose history follows. Katie, was born July 13, 1881. She married in 1907, Levi Mann, and they have three sons and one daughter: Ralph, Clarence, Ella and Victor. Lewis, was born April 18, 1883, was married in 1909 to Miss Manilla Steigerwald, and they have two sons, Francis and Calvin.

William Henry Johnson, a third child of Levi M. Johnson, was born April 30, 1861. He married in 1883 Emma Kulp. They have two daughters: Clara, who was born in 1884, died on December 23, 1899, and Edith, who was born on Aug. 25, 1888, married Raymond Litzenberger.

Prof. John Johnson, who conducts the Lehigh Valley Violin School, resides at No. 518 North

Seventh street, Allentown. He is a native of Lehigh county, was born January 23, 1879, and married in 1898, Cora A. Gangewere. They have two children, as follows: Clark Vincent, and Vera Marietta, who is deceased.

Mr. Johnson was a private pupil of Prof. Adrian Primrose, of New York City, for over three years previous to entering the New York German Conservatory of Music, New York City, N. Y. While at this institution, Mr. Johnson had the advantage to study under Prof. Hjalmar von Dameck, then leading professor of the violin at the above named school, and now teaching in Berlin, Germany.

Mr. Johnson also studied the Sevic method under Prof. Fred'k E. Hahn, of Philadelphia, Pa. Later he took a special course in violin playing under the eminent violin pedagogue, Prof. Henry Schradieck, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Having studied extensively with such masters, Mr. Johnson has attained a thorough knowledge of the violin. He makes a specialty of teaching his instrument, and, through his painstaking application to his work, his interest in his pupils, and love for his art, he has attained a wide reputation as a competent instructor.

#### HENRY C. JOHNSON.

Henry Clay Johnson, a veteran of the Civil War, was born in Schuylkill county, March 4, 1845. He attended the public schools and learned the trade of blacksmith under his father, which he followed three years. He then enlisted at Peru, Indiana, in the 119th Regt. of Ind. Vol. Inf., for six months, and re-enlisted in the 7th Ind. Cav., and served till the close of the war. He was mustered out of the service at Galveston, Texas, and discharged at Indianapolis, Ind. After working for several years in local shops, he located in Schuylkill county, Penna., and remained there until 1871; then moved to Alburtis and was employed as section boss on the P. & R. R., for several years, and afterward worked in the iron furnace and bailer works at Allentown. He served as constable for sixteen years. He is a member of Post 13, G. A. R., and of the Reformed Church.

In 1867 he was married to Emma E. Wotring, of North Whitehall, daughter of John and Catharine Wotring, and they have four children: Lillie A. C., married, July 4, 1891, Thomas K. McNabb, and has a son, Earl J.; Mary E., married Dr. E. A. Gearhart, of Allentown; Emma C. M., married Louis Bogert; and Clarissa J., married Charles Geisinger, of Centre Valley.

His father was Henry Johnson and followed blacksmithing in Northumberland county, to which county he removed after his marriage to

Esther Lomomon. They had eleven children, but their son, Henry Clay, is the only survivor.

#### WILLIAM A. JONES.

Benjamin Jones, a native of Glamorganshire, South Wales, was born August 29, 1847. He emigrated to America in 1866, locating at Catsauqua, where he was employed by the Catsauqua Manufacturing Company as blacksmith. He was employed by this corporation until 1886, after which he followed different vocations until 1900, when he moved to Northampton, where he was appointed watchman by the Atlas Cement Company. Mr. Jones was married (first) to Emma Kinsey, daughter of Alonzo W. and Cecelia (Cabb) Kinsey, of Newport, England. They were the parents of two children: 1, Joshua C., who is Superintendent of Signals on the Wyoming Division of the L. V. R. R. and resides at Wilkes-Barre; 2, William Alonzo. Mrs. Jones died April 26, 1876. Mr. Jones married (second) Elizabeth Kinsey, a sister of his first wife. They have one son, Edwin K.

William Alonzo Jones, of Coplay, was born in Catsauqua, October 11, 1874. He was educated in the public schools of Catsauqua, and when 13 years of age started to work in the office of the Unicorn Silk Manufacturing Company, and worked for this firm 13 years. In 1902 he accepted a position as bookkeeper with the American Cement Company at Egypt, serving this corporation continuously until June, 1912. He was cost accountant, auditor and sack credit manager since 1906. Since leaving the American Cement Company he has been engaged as salesman for the Fuller Oil Company. Mr. and Mrs. Jones are members of Trinity Reformed Church, where they have both been members of the choir. Mr. Jones adheres to the principles of the Republican party. In the fall of 1911 he was elected as one of the directors of the Coplay school board for a term of five years, serving at present as President of the Board. In 1897 he was married to Lucy Seyfried, daughter of Lovine and Elizabeth (Freeby) Seyfried. Mrs. Jones died May 27, 1904. To them the following children were born: Bessie S.; Edith F.; William A., and Miriam, who died in infancy. Mr. Jones married the second time in 1905, Talitha Peters, only daughter of Lewis and Elemina (Peters) Peters. They have one child, Emma Peters Jones.

#### WALTER L. JONES.

Walter L. Jones, former alderman of Allentown, Pa., and native of Wales, was born March 4th, 1840. At the age of two years he came to this country with his parents. He was educated

at Minersville where he had been engaged in the mercantile business for a number of years. On April 10th, 1857, came to Allentown and secured a position as clerk in the general store of Pretz-Guth & Company, leading mercantile dealers in the Lehigh Valley. He remained in their employ for several years, then entered the partnership of Burdge and Jones, located in the building now occupied by Henry E. Peters as a drug store on Hamilton street below Seventh, remaining with this firm for about nine years. He next became a railroad contractor and built eleven miles of the Dutchess and Columbia Railroad, extending from Fishkill-Landing-on-the-Hudson to Pine Planes in New York, after which he returned to Allentown and served as chief bookkeeper and financier for Hersh, Mosser & Company, for five years. In 1875 he was elected as alderman from the Third ward and he continued to serve the office until his death. Mr. Jones was known as the "Republican War Horse of Lehigh," and enjoyed the distinction of being the only man who ever defeated "Matt" Quay by his own tactics, during the campaign of 1895, commonly known as the "Quay-Hastings Campaign." In that campaign the county convention for the election of delegates to the state convention consisted of 164 delegates of which number Mr. Jones had 123 and Quay 41. This constituted the worst defeat Quay ever suffered in his career and he remarked to U. S. Senator Best of Missouri that "Alderman Jones was the keenest organizer in America." The year ensuing this defeat, Mr. Jones carried Lehigh county for Quay, which incident has not been accomplished by a political leader before or after.

Alderman Jones had been the acknowledged leader of Lehigh county for many years, but in recent years he had been less active. The first seventeen years of his incumbency he occupied rooms above the A. M. Springer & Company's store on Center Square; the next nine years he was located in the old Odd Fellows' Hall, and from 1901 to the time of his death, occupied a suite of rooms at No. 742 Hamilton street. Mr. Jones had tried between 27,000 and 28,000 cases as an alderman, which figure had not been reached by any other alderman in the country. The majority of cases which were brought before Alderman Jones were settled before him. He was in city council from 1872 to 1874.

Mr. Jones was a national delegate at Philadelphia in 1896 nominating McKinley and Roosevelt; was alternate delegate for Matthew Stanley Quay to the Chicago convention nominating Benjamin Harrison for president; was delegate to a number of state conventions and a member of the Republican state committee for



many years. When he assumed the leadership of Lehigh county, the Democratic majority was nominally 3,600 and through hard labor and manipulation it was gradually decreased until finally Republicans were elected to office in this "Democratic Gibraltar of Lehigh County."

Mr. Jones was connected with the Royal Arcanum and Knights of Honor.

In 1865 he was married to Mary C. Kline, daughter of Charles and Caroline (Ludwig) Kline, and a granddaughter of the long deceased Benjamin Ludwig, a foremost citizen of Allentown and who was prominently connected with the organizing of St. Paul's Lutheran church, on South Eighth street, and prominent in business and financial circles. Mr. and Mrs. Jones had eight children, five of whom are deceased:

(1). Minnie M., widow of Jacob Bumgardner.

(2). Guy R., whose sketch follows.

(3). Helen, who married N. Guiley Finch, of Allentown.

Walter Jones, father of Alderman Walter L. Jones and a native of South Wales, came to America in October, 1842, and located in Carbon county. He died with his son, Walter L., in 1869, at the age of 85 years, and is buried in the Union cemetery, Allentown. He was pronounced the most noted singer in the British Isles and possessed a most excellent bass voice. Mr. Jones was tendered many high offers, all of which he refused. Mr. Jones was also a skilled mechanic. His wife was Mary Lewis, who died about 1878, aged 83 years and they had children:

Two, who died in infancy; (1) A daughter, who died in early childhood; (2) David, who was killed on the railroad in 1842, soon after coming to America; (3) Edward, who died at Tamaqua, Pa.; Sarah Ann, who married Hugh Griffith and resided in Allentown until her death in 1908, at the age of 75 years; John, who died at Minersville, Pa.; William, who died at Allentown, and Walter L., before mentioned.

Guy R. Jones, was born in Allentown, Oct. 28, 1873. He was educated in the public schools and the Allentown Business College. At the age of eighteen he learned the upholstering trade which he followed three years. In 1895 he became associated with his father and had charge of the extensive insurance business of Walter L. Jones & Son. He was appointed by the governor, May 1, 1913, to succeed his deceased father in the office of alderman of the Third ward; and in the fall of 1913, he was nominated by the Republicans for that office. Socially he is a member of Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. & A. M.; B. P. O. E.; Washington Camp No. 11, P. O.

S. of A., and the Royal Arcanum. He resides with his mother at No. 103 South Eighth street.

#### JOHN M. JONES.

John M. Jones, a retired citizen of Slatedale, Lehigh county, was born September 7, 1851, at Waverly, which is now known as Slatington, Pa. He attended the common schools until he was twelve years old then began working in slate quarries, and by industry, economy and ability, he earned a competency which enables him now to live in retirement and comfort. He was the overseer of the old Lock Slate Co., for fourteen years, having secured a one-third interest in the company, which in 1905 was sold to the Shenton Land Company for \$50,000. Mr. Jones and Mr. T. H. Shenton, had previously operated two slate quarries for two years and employed about sixty men and boys. The Sun Slate Company had leased two tracts from the Lock Slate Company, and operated them for several years. In 1907 Mr. Jones retired from the slate business. He made a trip to Wales in 1869 and visited his father's birthplace and his kindred, spending six months in a most delightful manner.

For a period of thirty-four years Mr. Jones was a teacher in the Union Sunday school of Slatedale. He has been registry assessor of the western district of Washington township since the year 1890, but otherwise has steadfastly refused public office. He is a Republican. In the centennial year (1876) he was married to Ella Lewis, a daughter of John and Susanna (Walter) Lewis, of Caernarvonshire, Wales. Nine children were born to them, Walter (who died small); Jennie (m. G. R. Williams, and they have one daughter, Bessie, who has her home with Mr. Jones); Llewellyn (leader and teacher of the Slatedale band, and married to Emma Dorward (Llewelyn is a Welsh word which means *lion-hearted*); Sallie (m. D. R. Faust and they have a son Heston); Gordon (m. Ellen J. Remaly and they have a daughter, Claire—he was a professional baseball player for a time); Harrison (died when five years old); Thomas (died in his third year); Morris, and Howard.

Ellis E. Jones, son of Ellis, was born in 1823, and at the age of nineteen he emigrated to the United States, locating at Slatington. Later he settled at Slatedale and here he died in November, 1890, and is buried at Slatington. He was a slate worker, slate operator and slate contractor during the course of his active career.

He was married to Anna Moses, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Williams) Moses, of Caernarvonshire, North Wales, born in 1827, and died at Williamstown, at the age of thirty-three years. They had three children: John M.,

Maria (who died young), and Angelina (married to R. R. Jones, and they had five children—Dora, Mabel, Bertha, Frank and Lizzie).

Ellis Jones, the father of Ellis E., and the grandfather of John M., lived at Caernarvonshire, North Wales, and was a slate worker at that place. Among his children were: Robert, John, Griffith (who had a small farm in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, and in connection with its cultivation worked in slate quarries in upper Lehigh county, and is buried at the Heidelberg church), and Ellis E., the father of John M.

#### JOHN L. JONES FAMILY.

John L. Jones, a stone cutter and slater of Slatington, was born at Anglesea, in Wales, in 1830, where he learned his trade and when eighteen years old he emigrated to America. When the vessel reached the Atlantic coast it was shipwrecked where Atlantic City came to be located, and the rescued passengers were compelled to walk along the coast to New York City. From there he proceeded to Slatington and engaged in slate operations for a time, when he became the foreman of the old Lehigh Slate Company.

Mr. Jones was married to Ellen L. Jones, a daughter of Pierce Jones, of Festeuog, Merronethshire, North Wales, and they had four children: John H.; Elizabeth, married to Rev. Tedivil Williams, of Shamokin; Pierce H.; and Robert L. They were members of the Welsh Congregational church.

John H. Jones, eldest son of John L., the manager of the E. L. Jones & Company store at Slatington, was born in 1860. He received his education in the borough schools and when sixteen years of age he learned the trade of stone-cutter, which he followed four years; then he took charge of his mother's general store, which he has managed until the present time.

In 1889, he was married to Mary A. Easterday, daughter of Stephen Easterday, of Cherryville, and they have five children: Ralph, Ruth, Edward, Harold, and Irene.

Pierce H. Jones, the second son of John L., was born at Slatington, March 25, 1866, and after attending school until fourteen years of age, he entered the store of his mother as a clerk and here he has continued until now. He was married to Jennie Roberts, and they have two children: Bernard, and Ellen. They are members of the English Presbyterian Church.

Robert L. Jones, the youngest son of John L., was born at Slatington, April 2, 1868. After attending school he learned the trade of tailor, which he followed several years until 1888, when he also became identified with his mother's store, and has continued with it until the present time.

He is a member of the Welsh Congregational Church, and of the Knights of Pythias.

JOHN W. JONES, a slate operator at Williamstown, Lehigh county, was born in 1840, in Caernarvonshire, Wales, and accompanied his parents to Slatington, Penna., in 1849. He began working in slate quarries at an early age and continued there for a number of years. He then became a slate operator at Williamstown, near Slatington, and followed this business until he died, June 6, 1893. He was married to Mary A. Williams, a daughter of Henry and Laura (Evans) Williams, and they had seven children: Catharine, married to Henry Andrews; William; John; Laura, married to George Litzenberger; Mollie, married to William H. Neff; Arthur, of Philadelphia; and Hattie, married to John Cummings. They were members of the Baptist church at Slatington.

Mrs. Jones's parents were natives of Wales, and in emigrating to America they landed at Boston, Mass., where she was born; and thence they moved to Slatington, where he became prominently identified with the slate industry.

#### ELMER E. JONES.

Elmer Ellsworth Jones, engineer at Allentown water works, was born at Scranton, Pa., Sept. 14, 1868. He attended the public schools, and afterward the Drifton Industrial School, and the International School of Correspondence, where he took a special course in mining. He then entered the employ of Coxe Bros., at Drifton, and continued with them several years, first as a clerk and afterward as a machinist. He next worked for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, as engineer, for twelve years, and mine foreman for five years. In 1909, he removed to Allentown, and worked as machinist and engineer for the Lehigh Valley Transit Company, until 1914. He then stood a competitive examination to become engineer of the Allentown water works, and was selected for the position from over one hundred applicants. He affiliated with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics in 1887, and was a charter member of the Order of Buffaloes at Allentown.

In 1890, Mr. Jones was married to Mary Howells, daughter of Lewis and Mary A. (Jones) Howells, and they have six children: Blodwyn H., married William J. Fenstermacher; Irene H., married Thomas Edwards; Sarah H., married Archibald R. Miller; Ruth H.; Jennie H.; and Mary A. They are members of the Baptist Church.

Charles D. Jones, his father, was a native of Wales, Great Britain, where he followed mining until 1865, when he emigrated to Pennsylvania



and there continued mining in the vicinity of Scranton until he died. He was married to Ruth Thomas and they had fifteen children, of whom the following reached maturity: William S., of Philadelphia; Henry C., of Wyoming; Elmer E.; Charles I., of Wyoming; and Mary I., married to George B. Seidwell, of Ashley.

JORDAN FAMILY.

Frederick Jordan, the first of the family in this country, was born in 1744, and died in Mount Pleasant township (Jordan's Mill), Hunterdon county, N. J., August 20, 1784. He was buried in the church yard of St. Thomas P. E. church, Alexandria township, Hunterdon county, N. J. (Grave of wife to side.)

Frederick Jordan owned two grist mills, one at the Hickory Tavern and the other back of Frenchtown, N. J. The mill where he lived and ground grain for the army during the Revolution, (letters on this subject are in the possession of Dr. John W. Jordan), was burned down about 1849, and only the old dam and race are used by the present miller. After the seat of war was removed from the middle states to the south, he entered the army as a corporal and was promoted to sergeant a few months later. At the siege of Yorktown his regiment was highly praised by Washington, and after the capture, his regiment was one to demolish the fortifications.

Frederick Jordan's war record is given in official records as follows: Private; promoted sergeant, Second Regiment, New Jersey Line; thanked in General Orders for gallant conduct at the siege of Yorktown.

He married Catharine Eckel, born December 28, 1750, in Bucks county, Pa. She was a daughter of Henry Eckel, who was a native of Hanau, Hesse, and emigrated to Pennsylvania in 1746.

Their issue were:

John, born September 1, 1770, and left issue.

Frederick, born August 27, 1772, and left issue.

Mary M., born August 20, 1776, and left issue.

Henry, born August 14, 1781, and left issue.

Catharine, born January 14, 1784; died July 1, 1784.

Frederick, son of Frederick and Catharine (Eckel) Jordan, was born in Hunterdon county, N. J., August 27, 1772; died February 1, 1861, in Lehigh county, Pa. He is buried in the cemetery of the Zionsville Reformed church. He was married, April 4, 1797, to Catharine Hartzel, of Bucks county, who had issue—one daughter. At this date he was living in Philadelphia and was in business. His marriage notice appeared in the *Minerva*, of Philadelphia, on April 4, 1798, viz: "On Tuesday morning, 4th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Pomp, Mr. Frederick Jordan, of this city, to the

amiable Miss Catharine Hærtsel, of Bucks county." He was later a farmer and justice of the peace in Upper Milford township.

He was married the second time to Catharine Stettler, who was born December 12, 1777, and died February 18, 1847. She was buried in the Zionsville Reformed churchyard. Their issue were:

John, born October 10, 1799.

Henry, born October 20, 1800.

Hannah, born January 15, 1802; married Charles Knauss.

Elizabeth, born October 5, 1805; married Samuel Gross.

Sarah, born September 1, 1807; married Thomas Snyder.

Catharine, born February 26, 1810; married Joseph Krout, of Coopersburg.

James, born October 26, 1814.

John Jordan, son of Frederick and Catharine (Stettler) Jordan, was born October 10, 1799, and died December 19, 1881. He married Mary Stahr, who was born July 2, 1797, and died July 21, 1856. They are buried at Zionsville. They had issue:

Catharine, married Aaron Walker. They had no issue, and removed to the West where both died.

Tillina, married Cyrus Christman. They had issue three sons and three daughters.

Elmina, born October 25, 1830; married William Muir, November 28, 1852. They had issue: Anne, died in 1857; Mary, living in Cleveland, Ohio; Emma, married A. V. Diefenderfer, of Orefield; Rev. John Muir; William, married Anne Wieder; Agnes, married a Mr. Smith; Martha, and Sallie, married Charles Glick.

Sarah, born September 25, 1835.

John Jordan, eldest son of Frederick Jordan, the immigrant, married Elizabeth Henry, and is the ancestor of Dr. John W. Jordan. Henry Jordan, the youngest son, had a son John who never married, and a son Charles, who had an only daughter.

Henry Jordan, son of Frederick and Catharine (Stettler) Jordan, was born Oct. 20, 1800, and died Jan. 29, 1877. He was a tanner in Upper Milford and later in life farmed a 50-acre tract. He married Ellen, daughter of Frederick Stahr. She was born Aug. 10, 1810, and died Dec. 12, 1887. They are buried in Zionsville Reformed cemetery. They had nine children: William, of Coopersburg; James, of Upper Milford; Franklin; Milton; Mary Ann, wife of Amandus Sieger, of Siegersville; Kate, wife of Lewis Sieger, of Guthsville; Amanda, wife of Charles Derr, of Indiana county; Dr. Alexander Jordan, of Riegelsville, and Frederick Jordan, of Vera Cruz.

FRANKLIN JORDAN, son of Henry and Ella (Stahr) Jordan, was born in Upper Milford township, Pa., Sept. 10, 1829. At the age of 15 years he learned the carriage manufacturing trade. In 1854 he removed to Coopersburg, and in connection with his brother, Milton, established there a carriage-making industry, where they successfully conducted the business for over 50 years. They employed 18 persons, and theirs was the leading industry in the village. The firm name was Jordan Brothers. They both retired in 1909.

He was a school director for 6 years. In religion he is affiliated with the Reformed Church; also a trustee, elder and deacon.

Franklin Jordan married in 1865, Sarah Kline, daughter of Jesse Kline. Their children were: Emma H., who married Charles H. Stoneback; Eden, of Allentown; Kate, who married M. L. Engelman; Charles H.; and Minerva and Lillie, who both died young.

Milton Jordan, son of Henry and Ella (Stahr) Jordan, a retired carriage manufacturer and lumberman, residing at Coopersburg, was born Oct. 3, 1831, in Upper Milford township, near Vera Cruz. His opportunities for obtaining an education were very limited. He assisted his father in farm work until he was 18 years of age, when he learned the trade of coach-making with George Hinkle, of Macungie, remaining there for three years. His wages were \$12.75 per year. In 1853, he entered the employ of George W. Watson, a leading carriage maker of Philadelphia. In 1854, he removed to Coopersburg, and with his brother, engaged in the carriage making business, continuing the business until 1909, when they both retired. He was for ten years extensively engaged in the lumber business. He also cut and cured his own material used in his carriage business. He was for over 30 years, a director of the Allentown National Bank. He has been a member of the Reformed church of Coopersburg for over 50 years.

Milton Jordan married Deborah Kline, daughter of Jesse Kline. Their children were: Wilson F., of whom below; Oscar J.; Victor; Minnie, who died young; and another, who died unnamed.

Oscar J., son of Milton and Deborah Jordan, attended the public schools and the Allentown Business College; studied medicine and resides at Philadelphia.

Victor K., son of Milton and Deborah Jordan, married Jennie Weaver, daughter of Dr. Weaver, of Coopersburg, and is engaged in the bottling business at Hanover, Pa. They have two children: Wilson and Herbert.

WILSON F. JORDAN, son of Milton and Deborah (Kline) Jordan, was born Aug. 1, 1863, at Coopersburg, and was educated in the public

schools. He and his two brothers were apprenticed by their father to learn the carriage builders' trade, intending that each should acquire a separate branch of the business. Wilson F. became a trimmer, removing to Hellertown, Ja., where he engaged in the business for himself, continuing for 5 years.

He then, in 1891, removed to Bangor, Pa., and purchased the Slate Valley Hotel, which he successfully conducted for 5 years. He sold this property in 1896, and established himself in the bottling business which has expanded to large proportions, owing to Mr. Jordan's ability and energy. He became a director in the First National Bank of Bangor, and stands well in his community.

Wilson F. Jordan married in 1882, Jennie L. Stevens, daughter of John S. and Eliza Stevens. Their children were as follows: Oscar W., died aged twenty-three years; John M., deceased; and Willis R., now treasurer of the Gabriel Hosiery Co., of Coopersburg. He married Louise Spear, and they have two children: Robert and Gertrude Jordan.

Frederick Jordan, youngest son of Henry Jordan and his wife, Ellen Stahr, was born July 7, 1847. He married Elmira Dillinger, who was born March 13, 1857, and died Dec. 12, 1899.

DR. HENRY D. JORDAN, their son, was born at Coopersburg, Oct. 14, 1875. He was educated in the common schools of Coopersburg and Emaus and the Emaus high school. He attended the Drexel Institute, of Philadelphia, for two terms, and later graduated from the South Jersey Institute. He then entered the Medico-Chirurgical College, where he graduated May 24, 1902. He practiced medicine in Philadelphia for four years, during which time he was a teacher in the department of biology and chemistry in the Medico-Chirurgical College, doing special research work in nervous and mental diseases and surgical pathology while thus engaged. He located in Allentown in 1906, and now resides at Sixth and Allen streets.

Dr. Jordan is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society, American Roentgen Ray Society, American Medical Association, and the Allentown Academy of Medicine. Socially, he is a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.; Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Vienna Lodge, No. 847, I. O. O. F.; Philadelphia Lodge, No. 2, B. P. O. of Elks; St. Alban's Commandery, Knights of Malta; and the Lehigh County Historical Society. He married, June 25, 1905, Miss Marguerite S. Snyder, of Lock Haven, Pa. Dr. and Mrs. Jordan are members of Grace Episcopal church.







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CHARLES JENDRICKS.

Charles Jendricks, butcher, of Coplay, son of Charles and Matilda (Fendri) Jendricks, was born near Sharva, Russia Poland, January 6, 1859. He came to America in 1888 and located at South Bethlehem, where he engaged in the butcher business. At the same time he conducted a retail coal business. In 1910 he came to Coplay and took charge of the Meat Market at 45 Second street, the only meat market in Coplay. By paying strict attention to his business he has built up a large trade. September 28, 1892, he became an American citizen. He is a member of Amethyst Council, No. 846, K. G. E., Royal Arcanum of South Bethlehem and Ontario Tribe, No. 280, I. O. R. M., of South Bethlehem. In 1881 he married Elizabeth Merman. To this family the following children have been born: Charles, married to Martha Shoemaker; Dora, died aged 16 years; Sophie, died aged sixteen years; Mary, married to John Fisher, of Catasauqua; John; Edward; Clara and Rosa.

CHARLES C. KAISER.

Charles C. Kaiser, treasurer of the Dent Hardware Company, of Fullerton, one of the leading business men of Lehigh county, was born in Darmstadt, Germany, in 1851, and is a son of George C. C. and Elizabeth Braun Kaiser. George C. C. Kaiser, the father of Charles C., was born in Darmstadt, Germany, Nov. 5, 1823. He was a manufacturer in Germany and in 1854 emigrated with his family to America. He remained in New York until 1856, and then moved to Scranton, where he was engaged in the mercantile business until his retirement fifteen years before his death, which occurred while on a visit to his son, Charles C., in Allentown. He was a stalwart Republican and took a great interest in the welfare of his city. For many years he represented his party on the political platform, making many German addresses. He was a councilman of Scranton, soon after it was organized as a city. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, having been one of the organizers of the First Lutheran church in Scranton, and for many years served it as treasurer. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and the I. O. O. F. His wife, Elizabeth Braun, was born March 24, 1820. She was a daughter of Peter Braun, of Merstein, Hesse Darmstadt, who was personally decorated with the Legion of Honor, by Napoleon Bonaparte. They were the parents of three children: George, died Jan. 3, 1865, aged 15 years; Charles C., and Sophie, who died in infancy.

Charles C. Kaiser was reared in Scranton, where he received his early education, and after a course of study in Baltimore, Md., he was employed in a clerical capacity until his twentieth year. Subsequently he took charge of a dry-goods store in a Western state, and in 1888 came to Allentown, where he was employed as foreman of the Allentown Hardware Company. In 1894 he became interested in the organization of the Dent Hardware Company, of Fullerton, of which he was chosen treasurer, which position he has filled ever since. This company has experienced a remarkable growth, to which growth and prosperity Mr. Kaiser has contributed his full share. (See history of Dent Hardware Company.) Mr. Kaiser has attained high rank as a Mason, being connected with the consistory as a thirty-second degree mason. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and the Knights of Malta. He is a director of the National Bank of Catasauqua, since January, 1911, and one of the organizers and directors of the Penn Counties Trust Company. He and family are members of St. John's Reformed church, Allentown. In 1884 he was married to Sarah P. Newman.

He was married in 1909 to Laura P. Yeager, a daughter of Edwin and Sarah (Mohr) Yeager, late of Allentown. Mrs. Kaiser is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, several of her ancestors having taken part in that conflict. She is also eligible to membership in the Colonial Dames.

JOSEPH M. KANE.

Joseph M. Kane, a councilman of Catasauqua, was born at Hokendauqua, Dec. 8, 1866. His father, William, was a native of Derry county, Ireland, where he was born June 2, 1839. In 1854 he came to America and located at Hokendauqua where he entered the employment, as a furnaceman, of the Thomas Iron Company, and continued until up to the time of his death, Jan. 30, 1892. He was a staunch Orangeman, and therefore a devoted member of the Presbyterian church. He was married to Rosanna McMullen, a daughter of Joseph and Ellen (Paul) McMullen, also of Derry, Ireland. After the death of her husband Mrs. McMullen, with her family, migrated to America. She died May 5, 1889, aged 58 years. Joseph was the father of seven children, viz: Joseph, Elisabeth, William, Cochran, Thomas, Ellen, and George.

Joseph M. Kane attended the common schools as a boy, but when only eleven years of age began working for the Thomas Iron Company.

At the age of fourteen he was employed by the Jersey Central Railway Co. as a car inspector, and has continued in their employment ever since. In 1895 he was promoted to the position of foreman car inspector on the Jersey Central road for the district extending from Easton to Mauch Chunk. Mr. Kane is a republican in politics. He has served as assessor of Whitehall township and was the member of the Standing County Committee for two terms. In 1898 he moved to Catasauqua, where he has resided ever since. In 1904 he was married to Lizzie Downs, a daughter of John Downs, a native of England, and his wife, Mary Price, a Welsh lady. In 1909 he erected his present residence at No. 544 Pine street. In 1911 he was elected councilman from the Fourth Ward. He is chairman of the Police Committee and a member of the Fire and Water Committees. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. fraternity, and of the Bridge Street Presbyterian congregation. He is a staunch Republican and has been active in the party ever since his majority.

#### JOSEPH P. KARCH.

Jacob Karch, a native of the Rhine in Germany, emigrated with his parents to America when four years old. He first lived at Lancaster, Pa., and later at Millersville. At the latter place he was engaged in the baking business for some years when he returned to Lancaster, Pa., where he has since lived. He married Pauline Wingender, daughter of Peter Wingender, who was a native of Coblenz, Germany. He died at Lancaster, Pa., in 1896. His wife died in Germany in 1860, and Mr. Wingender was left a widower with five children. He came to America when Mrs. Karch was fifteen years old.

Joseph P. Karch, son of Jacob, of Allentown, is general manager of the Victor Thorsch Co., cigar manufacturers, at Coplay, Pa. He was born at Lancaster, Pa., June 27, 1883. He learned the cigar-making trade at the age of sixteen years; and to this time has followed the tobacco and cigar manufacturing business. In 1903 he became a foreman of one of the American Tobacco Company factories, located at Lancaster, Pa. On June 24, 1905, he accepted a foremanship with the Victor Thorsch Company, and two years later he was promoted to the position of general manager of the Coplay factory, which employs 300 people. He and wife are members of the Catholic church. He is a member of the Young Men's Temperance Society. He married November 10, 1909, Rosa Breslin, daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Devers) Breslin, of Allentown. They have a son, Joseph P.

#### MAURICE J. KAUFMAN.

Maurice Jacob Kaufman, president of the Winona Silk Company, at Mountainville, was born Dec. 11, 1869, at Allentown, and educated in the schools of the city until he was fifteen years old. He then entered the employ of Solomon Stephen, cattle drover at Coopersburg, and continued with him for twelve years. He then became a nail-maker in the wire mill at Allentown and worked there fourteen years. In 1909 he became identified with the Winona Silk Company, in the manufacture of broad silk, and in 1910 was elected president of the company, which position he has filled until the present time, directing the management of the mill in a successful manner. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Junior Order of American Mechanics and of the Order of Buffaloes.

Mr. Kaufman was married to Lovina Torrence, a daughter of Joseph and Elvina (Jacoby) Torrence, and they have one child, a daughter, Florence. They are connected with the St. Luke's Lutheran church.

His father, George Washington Kaufman, was born May 8, 1843, and learned the trade of shoemaker, which he followed for some time. He was afterward employed at the wire mill for sixteen years, and at the Grammes machine shops for five years. In 1868, he was married to Mary Biery, a daughter of Jonathan and Veronica (Roth) Biery, and they had seven children: Maurice J., Matilda, Anna, Franklin, Jonathan, William B., and Jennie Lillian, the second, third, sixth and seventh having died.

His grandfather was Reuben Kaufman, and he was married to Elizabeth Kistler.

#### KECK FAMILY.

The progenitor of this family in Lehigh county was Henry Keck (Geck) a native of Upper Pfaltz, Bavaria. With his wife (Peterson) he left Rotterdam, last from Dover on the English ship "Pink John and William," and landed at Philadelphia, Oct. 17, 1732. When he reached there he and his wife were sold as redemptioners for their passage money to a man in Chester county and served the time agreed upon about three or four years. After this he came to what is now Lehigh county and settled on the tract which he later purchased and which for a number of generations remained in the possession of the family. The children of Henry Keck were: (1) Frederick; (2) Henry; (3) John; (4) Andrew and a daughter married to Mr. Berger.

(1) Frederick went to South Carolina; (2) Henry married and settled in Salisbury township;



(3) John married a daughter of Nicholas Ub-eroth of Salisbury and settled on the old home-stead. He had three children. (4) Andrew was born Jan. 10, 1753, and died May 13, 1828; he was married first to Barbara Blank and the second time to Susan Sheets. He was the father of the following children: George; Solomon; Andrew; John; Jacob; David; Charles; Maria, married to Solomon Knauss' and Elizabeth, married to William Horlacher.

John Keck whose wife was a Miss Schantz, lived between Fogelsville and Ruppsville in Upper Macungie township. They were the parents of the following children: Sarah (Mrs. Peter Weiler); John; George; Ephraim; Cassia (Mrs. John Swenk); Hannah (Mrs. Alexander Singmeister); Fannie (Mrs. William Rems); Priscilla (Mrs. A. S. Heffner); Mary (Mrs. Reuben Gross).

John Keck, son of John, was born Dec. 7, 1831, near Fogelsville. He clerked in a store until he was married to Sarah, a daughter of Jesse Lefeaver. He was proprietor of the Halfway Hotel for twelve years and the Crackersport Hotel for three years. After becoming blind he retired from business and after remaining three more years at Crackersport he moved to Allentown, where he died Jan. 5, 1893. To Mr. and Mrs. Keck the following children were born: George C.; Dora; Lyman; Charlotte; Josephine; Ida; Rosa and John.

George C. Keck, son of John, was born in 1852. He learned the trade of machinist which he followed for a number of years. He was married to Ella Hartman. To them the following children have been born: Robert W., Carrie, Mamie, Helen and Florence.

ROBERT W. KECK, son of George C. and Ella Keck, was born in Allentown, Sept. 9, 1875. He was educated in the public schools of his native city. He was a salesman for a number of years in Philadelphia. In 1904 he took up electrical work with J. S. Ritter, with whom he remained until Sept. 1910, when he engaged in business for himself at 833 Walnut street. He is a member of Zion's Reformed church and of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. In June, 1903, he was married to Alice A. Sterner, daughter of Benjamin and Amanda (Beidler) Sterner. They have a daughter, Ruth M.

Solomon Keck was a life-long farmer in Salisbury township. He married Margaret Knauss. His son, Moses Keck, was born Feb. 20, 1812, and was also a farmer in Salisbury township, owning a tract of over 100 acres. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and married Delia Dubbs, daughter of Solomon Dubbs. Issue: Emma, married William Person, resides at Moun-

tainville, Pa.; Maggie, married Dr. Theodore Bachman, now deceased, of Allentown; Alice, married William D. Kincaid, of Allentown; Alfred and Newton, of whom below.

ALFRED KECK, son of Moses and Delia (Dubbs) Keck, was born April 29, 1849, in Salisbury township. He was educated in the public schools, and assisted on the farm until 1874, when he removed to Seidersville, and purchased the Seidersville Hotel, which he operated some years, when he returned to Salisbury township and engaged in general farming until 1897, when he sold his farm and removed to Allentown, and engaged in real estate operations, in which he has accumulated a comfortable fortune.

In 1904 he erected a substantial home where he now resides, retired from active business pursuits. Both himself and family are members of Grace Lutheran church.

He married in October, 1873, Clara Elizabeth Boehm, a daughter of Solomon and Julia (Markel) Boehm. Issue: Hattie T.; Lillian Julia; Eloise Diana; Mary L.; Solomon Moses; and Warren Wilson.

Hattie T. married Robert Wagner, a flour and feed merchant of Allentown. Eloise D. married Herbert J. Weiler, of Allentown, a coal dealer. Solomon M. resides in Canada, in Alberta Province, and is a civil engineer in the employ of the Canadian Pacific R. R. Co. Warren W., residing at home, is a draughtsman in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Works.

NEWTON KECK, son of Moses and Delia (Dubbs) Keck, was born June 27, 1855, in Salisbury township, and after acquiring his education in the public schools, remained on the home farm until 1875, when he learned the trade of wheelwright with Walter Sheetz, in Mountainville, remaining with him ten years, until 1885, when he became connected with William Yeager, of Allentown, as a cabinet maker, where he has since remained.

He was a deacon in St. Mark's church, South Allentown, for six years. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, Woodworkers' Union, and Knights of Mystic Chain.

He married, in 1879, Dora Amelia Clifton, daughter of James and Pauline (Stern) Clifton, born in Salisbury township, and reared in Philadelphia. Issue: Blanche Gertrude, and Harry Clifton Keck.

Blanche G. married Adam Himelsbach, and resides at Fall River, Mass. Issue: Clifton Keck, born March 17, 1907, and Martin Luther Himelsbach, born Aug. 11, 1911. He is a physical director in the local Y. M. C. A.

Harry Clifton Keck married Sadie F. Wilt. Issue: Margie P., born Sept. 7, 1905; Henry

Clifton, born Oct. 6, 1907; and Charlotte Elizabeth, born Oct. 2, 1910. He is connected with the Fuller Car Wheel & Axle Works, and resides in Allentown.

James Clifton, father of Mrs. Newton Keck, was by trade a shoemaker. He enlisted in the 209th Penna. Volunteers, and served in the War of '61; was taken prisoner, and died of starvation in the prison pen in Salisbury, N. C. His widow, Pauline, married Reuben Moyer, of Allentown.

Andrew Keck, son of Andrew, was born Dec. 8, 1778, and died June 3, 1833. He was a prominent farmer in Salisbury and a Lutheran. He married Magdalena Kline, who was born March 3, 1779, and died April 5, 1861. They had five children: Paul, Joel, John, Laurence, Andrew, and William.

WILLIAM KECK, of Salisbury township, son of Andrew, was born June 27, 1825, in the house built by his father in 1824. He attended the township schools and learned harness-making in Emaus, at which he was employed for a time in New Jersey. He then returned home and cultivated the homestead of 100 acres, which he owns. He married, Dec. 30, 1852, Eveline Lauer, daughter of Henry and Catharine (Walbert) Lauer, of Lower Macungie. They had two children: Marcus W. H., born Nov. 17, 1860, died March 21, 1880, and Milton C. A., who married Mary Romich and has one child, Clarence W. R.

JAMES J. KUNKEL, janitor of Harrison school in the First ward, and a Civil War veteran, was born at Fogelsville, May 7, 1842. When eight years old his parents removed to Allentown and he attended the public school in the First ward until he became twelve years of age; then he was put to work in a brick yard at 40 cents a day. By his industry he was advanced to a moulder and he filled this position for a number of years. Afterward he worked in a foundry until 1862, when he enlisted in the Civil War as a private in Co. G, of the 128th Regiment, Penna. Vol. Inf., for nine months. During this time he was taken prisoner at the battle of Chancellorsville and was imprisoned in Libby prison for two weeks, when he was exchanged. He also participated in the battles of Bull Run and Antietam. He re-enlisted in 1864, in Co. E, of the 202d Regiment, Penna. Vol. Inf., and served till the close of the war. He became a charter member of the Yeager Post, G. A. R., and has since been actively identified with it, serving for a time as a trustee. Upon his return home he was employed for five years in the Allentown Rolling Mill; then he resumed work in a brick-yard which he followed until 1899, when he was appointed janitor of the Harrison school in the First ward and he has since

filled this position in a satisfactory manner. He is a member of Washington Chamber, Knights of Friendship.

In 1863, he was married to Susanna Ulrich, of Allentown, and they had seven children: Amelia, married Preston J. Ehrich; Frank J., married Alice C. Gehring; Ella, married Frederick Robbins, of Passaic, N. J.; Stella, married Charles Kohler, of Bethlehem; and three died in infancy.

The parents of Mr. Kunkel were born and brought up in Upper Milford township. His father, Jonathan Kunkel, was a day laborer in the country, and also at Allentown, from the time he located there in 1850 until he died in 1864. He was married to Miss Wetzell, and they had eight children: Ann, William, Jonas, Eliza, Charles, Annie, Nathan, who also served in the Civil War (N. Y. Cavalry); and James J.

#### KEEFER FAMILY.

The progenitor of this family came from Germany at an early day. We find several of the name in 1790 in Berks and Northampton counties, one of whom was named George, who was born April 27, 1765, and died June 5, 1833, at Kreidersville, or Stone Church, Northampton Co. We also found record of Magdalena Keefe, born Jan. 20, 1763, and died March 29, 1840, in the same locality as George Keefe, above mentioned.

Elias Keefe, a native of Northampton Co., was a soldier of the war of 1812. By occupation he was a farmer and blacksmith. He married Lydia Solt. Issue: Elizabeth, married Louis Guttendake; George; John; Joseph (history follows); Samuel, and William.

JOSEPH KEEFER, son of Elias and Lydia (Solt) Keefe, was born April 9, 1844, in Allen township, Northampton Co., Pa.

He was reared upon the home farm and his attendance at the public schools was very brief.

At the tender age of nine years he was engaged in boating on the Lehigh canal, continuing for four seasons, and after this for two years he assisted the farmers of his neighborhood in their work. At the age of fifteen he removed with his parents to North Whitehall township, Lehigh county and learned of his father the trade of blacksmith. Before his apprenticeship was completed, the Civil War being in progress, he enlisted as a private in the Sixteenth Penna. Cavalry, continuing in the service until discharged, in August, 1865. He participated in a number of important engagements, including the battles of Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, Petersburg and many others, together with a large number of skirmishes. He resumed his



trade in 1865 and was thus engaged for nearly seven years. In 1871 he secured employment at the Hokendauqua Furnace, where he remained for three years when he commenced mining iron ore, and later conducted a stone quarry, disposing of the output to various cement companies. He was very successful in all his business ventures and as his resources increased he purchased two farms and made judicious investments in real estate. He also became a large stockholder and a director in the Cement National Bank at Siegfrieds, Pa. In politics, Mr. Keefer was a Republican; in religion he was a member, elder and trustee of the Egypt Reformed church. He was a member of the G. A. R. at Catasauqua and of the Veterans' League of Allentown.

Joseph Keefer married, in 1866, Miss Mary Kleckner, daughter of William and Clarissa Kleckner, of Lehigh Co.; born near Egypt, Aug. 24, 1845. Mrs. Keefer was one of a family of eight children. Unto Joseph and Mary K. Keefer were born six children, viz: John H., Joseph E., and Samuel L., all deceased; George W.; Sarah A.; Mary A. George W., born Sept. 7, 1866, married Miss Ida Woodring. Issue: Florence T., Joseph F., Alice, William E., and Bessie. Sarah A., born Aug. 20, 1868, married Rev. A. J. L. Breinig. Issue: Benjamine E., Clarissa A., Margaret A., and three others deceased. Mary A. Keefer, born Aug. 5, 1873, married David Lindaman. Issue: two children, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Keefer also had an adopted son, Alfred, born Aug. 3, 1882, who became at an early age connected with the Cement National Bank, of Siegfrieds, Pa.

GEORGE W. KEEFER, son of Joseph and Mary (Kleckner) Keefer, was born on Sept. 7, 1866. He received his education in the public schools of Coplay, Muhlenberg College, and Blackman's Business College, at Allentown. His business training he received under his father's instructions. In 1897 he was admitted into partnership with his father in quarrying stones for the American Cement Company. This business relation continued until his father's death in 1903, when he assumed the entire business and continued until 1912, when the cement company went into receiver's hands.

In 1886, Mr. Keefer married Ida M. Wotring, and they had the following children: Florence T., born Nov. 26, 1886, a graduate of the K. S. N. S. She has taught a number of terms in the public schools of Whitehall township; Joseph F., born Sept. 27, 1889, a graduate of Whitehall township high school, and Franklin and Marshall Academy; Alice C., born Aug. 28, 1893, a graduate of Whitehall township high school; William E., born Nov. 12, 1896, a graduate of the White-

hall township high school in 1913; Bessie M., born June 17, 1900, died Oct. 1, 1907.

Mr. Keefer and family are members of the Reformed church at Egypt, in which church he has filled the office of treasurer. He is a member of the following secret organizations: P. O. S. of A., I. O. of R. M., and the B. P. O. of E.

#### KEIM FAMILY.

Few American families can trace their lineage through as many centuries as the Keim family of Eastern Pennsylvania. An ancient manuscript in the German language brought to America by Johannes Keim in 1706, and held as a priceless heirloom, refers to the family as belonging to one of the oldest and most noted of the German nobility and already famed in the year 1020 A. D.

The first of the family was Gottschalck Keim who was in the aforesaid year (1020) advanced to knightly and courtly position by the German King Conrad II and invested with the castle and possession of Gerolsek; not far distant from Strassburg. The cause of such preferment is unknown, the king only mentioned the aforesaid Gottschalk in the feudal record of his extraordinary love and fidelity. He married at Geroldsek, Elgith von Wartensleben and died 1075 A. D.; leaving two sons—Hinkmer and Theodabart Keim.

The ruins of Geroldsek are yet visible in the Vosges mountains at the entrance to the Taberner Senke defile of which the castle was a defense. A huge tower one-half preserved and an extensive "Rittersaal" or "Knights Hall" are still traceable. It commands a fine view of the Vosges and plain of the Rhine. The manuscript continues down to the Thirty Years' war and thirty years after when the name still survives in Speier northwest of the ancient family seat. From that same region, Ludwig Hericourt Keim served as an officer in the thirty years' war (1618-1648) in the army of Bernhard, Grand Duke of Saxe Weimar, who succeeded to the command upon the death of Gustavus Adolphus and who in 1738 won a signal victory over the imperial forces at Remfelden, and the following year captured the strong fortress of Breisach.

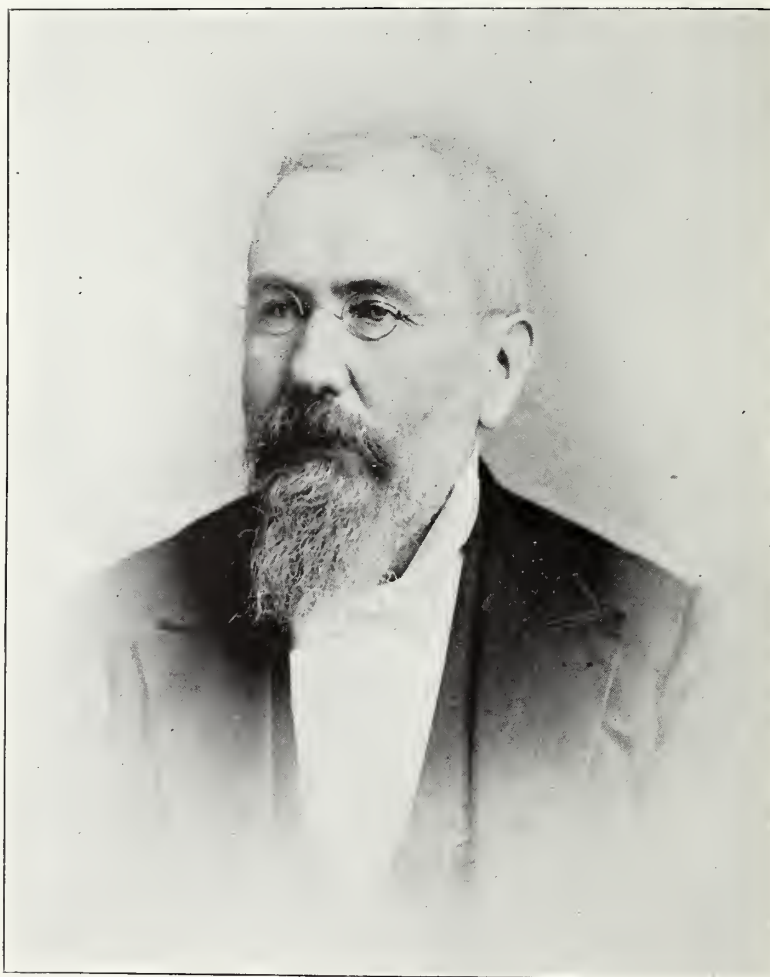
Twelve years later the young hero Ludwig Hericourt took unto himself a bride. To her was given a "Schatzkäthen" (Jewelry case) with the following inscription: "Anno Domini MDCLX, Ludwig Hericourt and Bertha Keim, Hondgraffschaft, Elsaas" with the motto beneath,

"Ich liebe doch in aller still,  
Einen schatz den ich nur will."

"I love, in secret to acquire,  
A treasure I alone desire."

Ludwig H. and Bertha Keim left two sons; George and Joseph, merchants residing near Speyer, in the direction of Landau. George had a son, Johannes, who in turn left a son Johannes, who after the French army had devastated the Palatinate came with his bride, Katharine De Lurch, settled in Oley, Berks county, in 1706. They brought the ancient manuscript and the trinket casket across the Atlantic and from then

kin Johannes Keim to the Land of the Penn's among whom was Johannes and Maria Keim. One of their sons, Johannes, was born in Germany, July 20, 1754, and died on August 9, 1815, and was buried at Shoenersville church. Henry Keim, son of Johannes, a laborer, resided near Altenau where his remains lie buried. He had issue: Samuel; Joseph; Sara, married to ——— Zerfass and another daughter, name unknown,



DR. CHARLES J. KEIM.

they have handed down from generation to generation as a priceless heritage. The casket was recently presented by Miss Harriet V. DeBenneville Keim to the Museum of the National Society of the D. A. R., Washington, D. C. From Johannes and Katherine Keim, descended a long line of military officers, statesmen, journalists and business men.

Other members of the family followed their

who together with her husband migrated to Michigan. Samuel Keim was a blacksmith and farmer. He lived for many years near Shimers, but later operated a farm near Shoenersville, where his ashes repose. He was married to Caroline Jacoby. They had four children: Cyrus, Samuel, Ambrose and Asher. Of these, Cyrus was born in 1841. He resides on a farm in Hanover township since 1892. In politics he is a



Democrat and at present is the tax collector for the township. He and his family are members of the Shoenersville Reformed congregation, of which he is an elder. He is married to Anna Laubach and has these children: Anna, the wife of H. A. Benner; Samuel; Sarah, the wife of James Heckman; and Bertha, married to Walter Huver.

Valentine Keim, son of Jacob of the above line, was a farmer and lived in east Allen township. He died in 1817, aged 33 years and was buried at the Dryland (Hecktown) church, where he was a member of the Lutheran congregation. His wife, Mary, *nee* Mertz, died in 1867. They had one son, Leopold, and one daughter, Mary, who was married twice. The first time to John Keller and the second time to Peter Cole.

Leopold Keim was born on the old homestead and in the same house in which his father was born. He was married to Mary Stahr, a daughter of Conrad and Sarah (Yost) Stahr, of Salisbury township. The latter was a soldier in the War of 1812, and during the active years of his life followed contracting and building. In 1868 Mr. Keim sold his farm and moved to Allentown, where he resided until 1882 when he made his home with his son, Dr. Charles J. Keim, in Catasauqua. Where he died in 1890. He and his wife had reached the age of seventy-eight and sixty years respectively and were buried in the Fairview cemetery, Allentown. Mr. Keim was originally a member of the Lutheran denomination but later in life united with the Evangelical Church. To them were born six children: James F., Anna M., Sarah R., Charles J., George W., and Milton H., of these George W. and Milton H. died in infancy. Sarah R. and James F. died in childhood. Anna M. was married to Daniel Young. She died in Allentown when on a visit from Philadelphia in 1871, aged 33 years. She was the mother of four children: Charles K., Allentown, Pa., John K., Washington, D. C., and Rev. Jacob K., a member of the Kansas Evangelical conference, and Lizzie, wife of William Heberling, who died without issue.

Charles J. Keim was born on the old homestead, near Bethlehem, in Northampton county. He enjoyed special educational advantages; he attended the Moravian Parochial School at Bethlehem, the Wyoming Academy, and John Leshner's preparatory school at Easton. He then entered upon a clerkship in a store at Butztown from where he came to Allentown. In 1862 he enlisted in Bethlehem, Company F, Fifth Pennsylvania Home Guards. Upon being mustered out of service, he engaged in the mercantile business at Allentown. Always having had a desire to be-

come a physician, he sold out his establishment, began the reading of medicine with Dr. M. E. Hornbeck, of Catasauqua, and in the spring of 1872 entered the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated March 12, 1875. Upon graduation he located in Catasauqua and practiced medicine for a period of thirty years, when he was succeeded by his son, Dr. Harry J. In addition to his large practice, Dr. Keim was deeply interested in municipal affairs. He was a member of the board of school directors for three years, of the town council for six years, during which period he presided over its meeting. In 1906 he was elected chief burgess, which office he served for three years. In 1896 he was a delegate to the Democratic state convention at Harrisburg. In 1913, he was again elected to the office of chief burgess for a full term. He holds membership in the Lehigh county, the Lehigh Valley, the State and the American Medical Societies. He is a past commander of the local Knights of Malta. He and his family are members of Trinity Lutheran congregation. On December 12, 1863, he was married to Eliza C. Seider, a daughter of Edward and Abigail (Rahn) Seider. She was born at Coopersburg. This union was blessed with two sons: Edward L., who died aged four years, and Harry J. S.

HARRY J. S. KEIM, M.D., eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, was born September 20, 1871. He was educated in the common schools of Catasauqua and Muhlenberg College, after which he entered the Medico-Chirurgical College, at Philadelphia, from which he graduated in 1894. While at college he enjoyed the proud distinction of being a member of the operating staff of Dr. Pancoast, an honor seldom conferred upon a student. He also had charge of the dispensary two days a week. Upon graduation he was associated with his father until in 1905, when the latter retired. He is a member of the local camp P. O. S. of A., the Lehigh County, the Lehigh Valley and the State Medical associations, and the Medico-Chi Society. He is a member of the Catasauqua board of health.

On October 1, 1895, he was married to Fannie H., a daughter of Charles H. and Emma (Meitzler) Heller. They had issue: Emma E. and A. Florence. She died in 1906, aged thirty-six years. He was married a second time January 5, 1910, to Mabel A. Richardson, a daughter of George J. and Alice A. (Scheiry) Richardson. Mr. Richardson is an Englishman. He came as a young man to Schuylkill county and later to Lehigh county. Dr. Keim has in his possession the clock of his great-great-grandfather Keim;

also a gun which has the name of Leopold Keim engraved upon it. By his second marriage, Dr. Keim has a son named Charles Richardson Keim, born Sept. 12, 1912.

#### KEIPER FAMILY.

Three brothers, John, Peter and Henry Adam Keiper, settled in Allentown prior to the Revolutionary War. John Keiper, the eldest, was born in Meissensheim, in Zweibruecken, Oct. 19, 1751. He was the first tobacconist in the town and was located at 36 South Seventh street. His sign, a boy with tobacco leaves and cigars, is owned by a descendant, Mrs. Annie E. Leisenring. He married Mary Catharine, daughter of Rudolph and Barbara (Weiss) Schmid. She was born Aug. 1, 1757 and died in 1841. Mr. Keiper died July 3, 1833. They had eleven children: Elizabeth, Jacob, John, Catharine, Peter, John, Sarah, George, Daniel, Anna, and David.

1. Elizabeth, born Oct. 24, 1776, died May 11, 1854, married, Oct. 2, 1796, John Hains and had children: Reuben, who died in Philadelphia; Joshua and Rebecca, who died unmarried. Joshua married Matilda Stem and had two daughters: Annie, who married Henry A. Stillwagon and has one son, Fred H., Esq., of New York; and Hannah, who married Frank L. Stillwagon, and has a daughter, Miriam.

2. Jacob Keiper, born Oct. 28, 1778, died Sept. 19, 1785.

3. John Keiper, born Feb. 10, 1781, died July 6, 1785.

4. Catharine, born Feb. 12, 1783, married, March 2, 1806, Capt. John F. Ruhe.

5. Peter, born Jan. 27, 1785, married Mary Butz. He lived at Easton and had children: Dr. George, Dr. Christian, and Mrs. Mary Meixsell.

6. John, born March 4, 1787, was the father of Elias and Augustus Keiper. Augustus had sons: Henry and Edwin.

7. Sarah, born Nov. 5, 1788, married, Oct. 3, 1815, Joseph Fox Massey, born Jan. 14, 1785, son of Bartholomew Massey. They had four children: Charles Spofford Massey, born March 7, 1817, died 1881, married Clarissa Guth and had five children; Mary, died young; Ella R. M., wife of Frank Quinn; Jacob H., married Christianna Heist, and had a daughter, Clara, wife of R. L. Stuart, Esq.; Clara died aged 12 years; and Sarah C., married William B. Fry, and had a son, Howard, instructor in Lehigh University; Mary Catharine, born Oct. 31, 1818, died young; Daniel K., born July 4, 1820, died young; and Elemina R., born Aug. 8, 1822, died Dec. 10, 1906, who married Nelson Weiser.

Nelson Weiser, son of Martin and Mary A. (Stout) Weiser, was born Aug. 6, 1823. He was educated in the Allentown Academy and became a printer, book-seller, editor and publisher. From 1858 to 1874 he was a member of the firm of Trexler, Harlacher & Weiser, publishers of the *Republikaner*, and which published the *Weltbote* from 1858 to 1868. He also published the first daily paper in this section, the *Lehigh Valley Daily News*. He was deputy postmaster under Mrs. Hornbeck, and from 1854 to 1857 was transcribing clerk of the Pennsylvania State Senate. He was a member of the State Legislature from 1864 to 1866, and while a member, the bill was passed organizing the Allentown Passenger Railway Co. He was a member and president of common council, and a charter member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M. He was also a member of Allen Lodge, No. 71, I. O. O. F., of the Columbia Fire Company, and of the Lutheran communion. He died in 1876. Mr. Weiser had four children: Annie E., married Capt. Thomas B. Leisenring; Mary C.; Sarah M., died young; and Charles W. Weiser, the well known editor of the *Democrat*, who married Sarah Kistler and has children: Charles, Helen, and Nelson.

8. George Keiper, born June 18, 1791, married Mary Henry and had children: Mary A., married Tilghman Statler; Henrietta, married John Richards; Helena, married (1) Levi Frank, and (2) Jacob Geisinger, of Freemansburg; Emma, married Henry Wuchter, of Akron, Ohio; and Reuben, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who had a son, George, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

9. Daniel Keiper, born June 19, 1794, married Salome Bowman, and had nine children: Sarah A., died single; Catharine, married George Everett, and had two daughters: Annie M. and Jessie; Annie, married (1) Major Walter J. Seip, and had a son, George, and (2) Joseph Hunter, and had a son, Robert; Emma, died single; Clara, married Wm. H. Deshler, Esq.; Ellen, James, Frank and Myra, deceased.

10. Anna, born Sept. 16, 1796, married John Wagner and had children: Amandus, married Maria Mertz; Tilghman, whose daughter, Louise, married Silas Lentz and had one son, Ray; John, died single; Daniel; Henrietta, married Frank P. Good and had two daughters: Katie, deceased, and Hattie W.; and Annie B. Wagner, deceased.

11. David Keiper, born Aug. 15, 1801, died unmarried in 1871.

Peter Keiper, brother of John, Sr., was born in Zweibruecken, Oct. 21, 1755, and died Aug. 14, 1813. He was a shoemaker and at his death



left a widow, Catharine, and seven children: John, born Feb. 2, 1785; Abraham, born Jan. 22, 1787; Catharine, born March 6, 1789; Margaret; Peter, born May 8, 1793; William; and Elizabeth.

Henry Adam Keiper, the third brother, was born in 1757 and died Aug. 6, 1817, on Walnut street, near Sixth. He was a soldier in the Revolution and had children: Catharine, wife of Peter Good; Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Hagenbuch; and John, who had sons: Gabriel; Daniel and William. William Keiper married a Miss Knauss and had a son, Owen.

Owen Keiper, for many years landlord of the Lafayette Hotel, died in 1880. He married, in 1848, Mary Ann Moll, daughter of John and Eliza (Ueberroth) Moll. She was born in 1829, and died Dec. 19, 1909. They had four children: Allen W., Charles T., Walter O., and Mrs. Elenora Losch.

HARVEY L. KEIPER was born Jan. 16, 1871, at the Lafayette Hotel, Allentown, and died Saturday, March 13, 1913. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown, and after graduating from the high school in 1887, he became a drug clerk with the late August Weber, at 617 Hamilton street. A few years later he entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, from which he graduated in 1892. He remained with Dr. Weber until May, 1895, when he went into business for himself, opening Keiper's drug store, at 41 North Seventh street. Dr. Keiper was a man of marked ability, which early showed itself in the native ambition and inclination to master every phase of the business. He was always a close student, and enjoyed the confidence of both the public and medical fraternity.

Dr. Keiper was a public spirited man, and took a great interest in local politics. He served two terms as water commissioner, and was alternate from Lehigh county to the Democratic National Convention at St. Louis. Socially, he was a member of Allentown Lodge of Elks, Allentown Castle, No. 55, Knights of the Golden Eagle; Hancock Conclave, No. 120, Improved Order of Heptasophs; the Clover Club; and the Allentown and Pioneer bands. He was never demonstrative, but as a friend was substantial and sure.

Dr. Keiper's death took place at the Allentown Hospital, where he went to undergo an operation. His death was due to kidney trouble, from which he suffered for several months. He was the son of the late Allen W. Keiper, who died 35 years ago, and his wife, Matilda, *nee* Hunsicker, whose second husband was the late Owen

Keiper, who had large property interests in the Fifth ward.

Besides his mother, two sisters survived, Misses Gertrude and Lillian Keiper, and one half-brother, Frank W. Schaffer, manager of the drug store, who continues the business.

#### KEITER FAMILY.

Casper Keiter, son of Jacob and Margaret Keiter, was born May 23, 1782 and died Jan. 12, 1851. He had three children: Aaron E., Willoughby, deceased, and Eliza, married to Charles Quier, of Allentown. Aaron Keiter, son of Casper and Catharine (Hoffman) Keiter, was born at Allentown, April 19, 1818. He was engaged in farming, later on turning to contracting until he was compelled to retire on account of ill health. About 1870 he had been elected as city controller by the Republican party. He had been a member of the Lutheran Church, which he served in various capacities. On August 3, 1861, he was married to Susan Mohr, a daughter of Daniel and Mary (Haas) Mohr, from which union were born: William D. C. and Frank T. L.

REV. WILLIAM D. C. KEITER, D.D., son of Aaron E. and Susan (Mohr) Keiter, was born in Allentown, Jan. 30, 1863. He graduated from the Allentown High school 1880; from Muhlenberg college, 1884, receiving the degree of A.B. from the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Phila., 1887. The same year Muhlenberg College conferred the degree of A.M. After his ordination, he established Trinity Lutheran Church, West Bethlehem, where he continued until Jan., 1910, when he was called as secretary of Muhlenberg College. Dr. Keiter served as secretary (1898-1902), then as president (1902-1906) of the Allentown Conference; as trustee of Muhlenberg College since 1905; as trustee and secretary of Mt. Airy Theological Seminary since 1909. He is also president of the Joint Arbitration Committee between the General Council and the General Synod. In June, 1911, Augustana College, of Rock Island, Ill., conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity upon him. He was married to Millie S., daughter of Charles H. and Eliza (Engleman) Ruhe on November 22, 1887, the issue being Rev. Charles R., married to Mabel E. Snyder, of Wildwood, N. J.; Ernest R., residing with the parents at Allentown.

FRANKLIN T. L. KEITER, son of Aaron E. and Susan (Mohr) Keiter, is a native of Allentown, Pa., being born Aug. 11, 1864. He received his preparatory training in the public schools of Allentown, graduating from the High school in 1880; entering Muhlenberg College in

the fall of the same year, he left the institution at the close of the sophomore year, 1882, in order to take up the study of law. He was admitted to the bar of Lehigh county, April 16, 1886. Governor James A. Beaver appointed him alderman, Nov. 10, 1890, to fill out the unexpired term of Isaac A. Kase, who had resigned as alderman of the seventh ward. When the time for election approached in 1891, he was nominated by the Republican party for the office and elected for a period of five years. Since then he has been repeatedly elected thereto upon the expiration of his term of office. Prior to his appointment, he had served two terms as councilman. Later he was appointed by Governor Pennypacker as a member of the board of commissioners for the erection of the Homeopathic State Hospital for the Insane at Rittersville. He is a member of the Livingston and Clover Clubs, K. G. E., J. O. U. A. M., and I. O. O. F. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Keiter married on April 23, 1891, Annie M. Blank, daughter of Benjamin F. and Emma R. (Stahr) Blank, the issue being one daughter, Madeline Marion.

#### KELLER FAMILY.

One of the branches of this family trace their genealogy to Christofol Keller and his wife, natives of Holland. On their way to America, Mr. Keller died. Mrs. Keller with her two children, landed at Philadelphia and settled near Kellersville, Monroe county. The daughter was married to Philip Bossard, and the son Christofol, Jr., was married to Miss Bossard, who with his wife resided for some years near Kellersville, where they purchased about six hundred acres. They were the parents of six children: Andrew; Christofol, John George; and three daughters, who became the wives of Mr. Schafer, Mr. Dietrich and Mr. Shultz. Andrew and Christofol, the two oldest sons, settled near Cuba, New York. George, the youngest son, was born March 5, 1774, and died Oct. 16, 1833. He was married to Rachel Dils, who was born Oct. 13, 1776, and died August 7, 1838. They were the parents of five children, three sons and two daughters. The two daughters died in infancy. John, the oldest son, was born Feb. 18, 1795, and died Sept. 29, 1854; married to Sarah Trach and resided about two miles south of Kellersville. Christofol, the second son, married Elizabeth Erdman, and resides near Zion cemetery. Joseph, the third son, born at Kellersville, Monroe county, Feb. 7, 1800, and died June 22, 1857. He was a man of a practical turn of mind and during his active career he was a merchant miller, lumber dealer and hotel proprietor.

Mr. Keller was serving in the capacity of judge of Monroe county, when the county seat was to be selected. There was a spirited contest between the east and west ends of the county. The east end was in favor of Stroudsburg, and the west end of Kellersville. Judge Keller offered to donate the ground and erect the public buildings, in Kellersville was selected as the county seat, but the end he represented was defeated by a small majority. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and a Democrat in politics. He was married to Lydia Butz, born May 3, 1805, died Feb. 11, 1846. This union was blessed with the following children: George B.; Samuel S.; Catharine; Rachel D.; Anna M.; Christiana; Joseph; Charles S.; Jacob T.; Emma L.; Isaiah; Edwin and Lydia. The mother of these children died Feb. 11, 1846. Mr. Keller then married Mrs. Mary Broadhead, who bore him two children: (twins) Franklin B., and Mary F. Mr. Keller died June 22, 1857, and Mrs. Keller died Jan. 14, 1867.

Isaiah Keller, residing at 465 Liberty street, Allentown, was born in Monroe county in 1842. He was reared on the farm and when he grew to manhood he followed the agricultural pursuit for many years. Later he moved to Allentown, where he was in the grocery business for a number of years, and is now living retired. He was married to Rachel Shoemaker, a daughter of Michael Shoemaker, of Monroe county, who died Feb. 15, 1911, and is buried in Greenwood cemetery, Allentown. To Mr. and Mrs. Keller the following children were born: Elizabeth, wife of Walter Smith, a ribbon weaver; John A.; Amanda, wife of Charles Lewis, a plumber; and Edwin, a silk weaver at Paterson, N. J.

JOHN A. KELLER, superintendent of D. G. Dery's silk mill, of Allentown, was born near Stroudsburg, Monroe county, Dec. 15, 1864. When he was quite young he moved to Allentown with his parents, where he was educated in the public schools, graduating from the high school in 1882, after which he was employed by the Adelaide Silk Company in the warping department for two years. He was next employed by the Standard Silk Company, of Paterson, N. J., and later by the same company at Phillipsburg, N. J.

In 1900 he connected himself with the D. G. Dery Silk Mill and took charge of the warping department. In 1903, he moved to Allentown to take charge of Mill A, of the same company, and now has charge of the three mills of this company in Allentown. Mr. Keller is Independent in politics. He is a member of Salem Reformed church, and holds membership in the



B. P. O. E., and the F. & A. M. In 1886, he was married to Mary Koenig, daughter of Henry and Fredericka Koenig. They reside at 338 North Ninth street, Allentown, and are the parents of two children: Harry I., married to Parmelia Hammersley, has charge of D. G. Dery's Mill C.; Arthur E., the D. G. Dery Mill A.

KEMMERER FAMILY.

Frederick Kemmerer, a native of Wurtemberg, came to America in 1742 with a brother, Henry. They settled in Lower Milford township, where Henry had a son, Henry, born in 1746, and later removed to the eastern part of Northampton county. Frederick secured by warrant of Aug. 17, 1742, a tract of 100 acres near Dillingersville, which was patented to Abraham Schantz on Sept. 6, 1796, and later owned by his descendants, Christian and Readon Schantz. Frederick Kemmerer was assessed £17 in 1762 and was naturalized April 11, 1763. He was for some time an inn-keeper in the township and was taxed as such £7.10.8 in 1772. He was a member of the old Lutheran congregation at Dillingersville from 1744 to 1760, after which he became a member of the Zionsville Lutheran congregation, where he was undoubtedly buried. His wife, Rosina, was born in 1716, and died Nov. 2, 1804, aged 87 years, at the home of her son Henry. They had seven children: Henry, born April 4, 1740; Rosina, born April 15, 1744; Frederick, born May 24, 1746; Christian, born 1747, died April 10, 1795, married Conrad Neimeyer; Jacob; George; and John, born Aug. 31, 1760.

Henry Kemmerer, eldest son of Frederick, was born April 4, 1740. He was a farmer and carpenter and remained on his father's land until 1770, when he settled in Salisbury township, where he purchased 150 acres near the Little Lehigh river.

He served as a sergeant in the Revolutionary War, and towards the close of the war was commissioned an ensign. He became a member of the Lutheran congregation of Salisbury church, where he was buried upon his death, Oct. 10, 1804. His wife, Anna M., was born Dec. 25, 1737, and died March 11, 1820. Their children were: Jacob, John, George, Catharine, Henry, George Adam, Martin, Anna, Mary, and Rosina.

Jacob Kemmerer settled on the Bucks and Montgomery county line and died in 1828.

John Kemmerer, born No. 24, 1765, was a farmer in Salisbury township, near Emaus station. He was a member of the Western Salisbury Lutheran congregation and died Feb. 21, 1851. He married Magdalena Leibensperger,

who was born Nov. 25, 1772, and died April 14, 1844. They had eight children: John George, born Aug. 26, 1793, died Dec. 26, 1861, married Elizabeth Weaver, and owned the old homestead; Solomon; Maria, born Oct. 2, 1803, married a Mr. Troxell and moved to Indiana; David, born Feb. 16, 1806, owned the state fishery farm, which he sold and removed to Ohio, where his children, Allen and Sarah, had settled; Jacob, born Jan. 5, 1808, died in 1842; Catharine, born Dec. 25, 1809, married Joseph Gangawere; Esther, born Jan. 12, 1812, married Abraham Worman; and Elizabeth, married Aaron Butz.

Solomon Kemmerer, son of John, was born Feb. 4, 1802, and died No. 5, 1890. He was a farmer and owned 130 acres in Salisbury, about a mile south of Allentown. He was a member of the Western Salisbury Lutheran congregation, although earlier a member of the Allentown congregation, and later of Cedarville congregation. He lived retired for some years before his death. He married Anna Maria Kuhns, born Nov. 6, 1805, died Oct. 8, 1864. They had nine children: Maria, m. (first) Solomon Ludwig, (second) William Eckert; Eliza, m. James Butz; Lavinia, m. James Backenstoe; Abraham J.; Lydia, m. R. Y. Wieder; Mary, died single; Solomon; Tilghman M.; and Rebecca, born 1846, died July 10, 1912, married Henry Moyer.

Abraham J. Kemmerer, son of Solomon, was born Feb. 18, 1834, and died Sept. 26, 1902. He was a miller and operated Kemmerer's Mill, near Allentown, from the time of his marriage until 1894, when he retired, living at 435 North Eighth street, Allentown. He was a Democrat and served as assessor and tax collector. He m. (first) Hannah Schmoyer, and (second) Elemina Grammes. In his second marriage he had two children: Queen, died in infancy, and Harvey S. P., died, aged four years.

TILGHMAN M. KEMMERER, son of Solomon, was born in Salisbury on the homestead of his father, Jan. 6, 1843, and worked upon the farm until of age. In 1868 he went West to various states, working on farms and following various vocations for five years and eight months. Returning to this state, he, in 1876, was married to Ellen A., daughter of Moses Flexer, who died Jan. 15, 1878, aged 24 years, 1 month and 25 days. After his marriage he began farming in Whitehall, continuing on one farm for fifteen years. This farm of 110 acres he still owns. The issue by the first marriage was Annie M., of Allentown.

In 1892 he retired, moving to Coplay, where he is engaged in teaming. He is a member of the Lutheran Church. On April 12, 1879, he married, second, Catherine Schaeffer, a daughter of

James and Maria (Folk) Schaeffer, of Upper Milford, the issue being: Solomon J., who died at the age of six years; Harvey T., clothier at Emaus; Morris D., who died at the age of eight years; and Albert J., of Coplay, who is clerking, and who married Gertie Durheimer, and has one child, Viola.

SOLOMON J. J. KEMMERER, retired, of Allentown, was born March 9, 1841, in Salisbury township. Reared upon the farm, he worked for his parents to the time of his marriage, when he began to till the homestead farm of 140 acres for 24 years. In 1892 he removed to Allentown, living here ever since. He still owns the homestead farm, which belonged to his father and grandfather, who bought the same in 1821 and moved thereon. A house on this farm was built by a Burkholder in 1802. It is a stone building. Mr. Kemmerer is a member of the Lutheran Church. On Dec. 14, 1867, he was married to Matilda R., a daughter of Stephen and Lovina (Trexler) Schmoyer, and has a son, Victor S.

VICTOR S. KEMMERER was born in Salisbury township, Sept. 19, 1868, and was educated in the local schools and Muhlenberg College. He was first employed on a farm with his father and from 1891 to 1909 he ran the farm in shares. From 1909 to 1911, he conducted the Allentown Duck Farm, and now deals in poultry at Seventh and Union streets. He is also engaged in real estate operations with his son and George F. Ehrich. Mr. Kemmerer married Anna Maria, daughter of Henry and Mary (Gilbert) Fahringer. They are members of the Western Salisbury Lutheran congregation, where Mr. Kemmerer has been deacon and elder and in which township he served for five years as a school director. They have one son, Morris H., who received his education in the city schools, high school and American Commercial School and is now engaged in the real estate business. He married Myra Hawk and has a son, Solomon J.

George Kemmerer, son of Henry, was born Nov. 24, 1767, and died Feb. 4, 1851. He married Maria Susanna Steininger, who was born Nov. 8, 1774, and died June 11, 1857. They had nine children: John; Nathan; Charles, born Dec. 7, 1796; George; Elias; Benjamin; Mrs. John Ritter; Elemina, married Abner Mohry; and Lydia, born April 17, 1804, married Conrad Seem.

George Kemmerer, son of George, was born in Lower Macungie, July 16, 1798, and died at Emaus in 1882. He married Pauline Walter and had children: Moses; Henry W.; Susanna, wife of Edward Knerr; Charles, m. Elvina Danner; and William, m. Catharine Lauer.

Nathan Kemmerer, son of George Kemmerer,

married and had two sons: Eugene, and Oliver.

Eugene Kemmerer, son of Nathan, was born in Lower Milford township and reared upon the farm. He was educated in the public schools and at Perkiomen Seminary. Upon attaining manhood he conducted the Eagle Hotel for five years, then settled upon a farm of 106 acres at Limeport, Pa. He was county auditor for three years and councilman for six years at Emaus. He is a member of the Emaus Lutheran church.

Eugene Kemmerer married (first) Sallie Jarrett, daughter of John and Sallie (Hoffman) Jarrett. He married (second) Jennie Harwick, daughter of L. M. and Catharine Harwick. Issue: John Kemmerer.

Henry W. Kemmerer was born at the old homestead in 1829. He farmed this for seven years, when he retired. He resided at 1131 Turner street, Allentown, for 18 years, to the time of his death, March 24, 1903. He was a director of the Second National Bank, and a member of Trinity U. E. church, where he had been a trustee. He served as a judge of election several years as a Republican. He married, June 2, 1853, Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Catharine (Fretz) Strawn, and had four children: Louisa, deceased; Alfred M.; Henry, deceased; and Milton R., m. Victoria Hensinger, of Emaus.

ALFRED M. KEMMERER was born in Lower Macungie, July 23, 1856. He attended the public schools until 18 years of age, and in 1874 entered the Millersville Normal School and afterwards attended the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown. He assisted on his father's farm and after his marriage farmed the former George Neumeyer farm for 24 years. In 1904 he removed to Allentown, where he resides at 1525 Turner street. He is a Republican in politics; a member of Emaus Lodge, No. 73, I. O. O. F.; and of Trinity U. E. church, which he served as trustee. He married, May 4, 1878, Sarah J., daughter of Peter and Eliza (Burkhalter) Marks, and has one daughter, Leida I., m. N. S. Biery, and has one son, N. Donald Kemmerer Biery.

Catharine, daughter of Henry, was born Oct. 16, 1771, and died March 5, 1832. She married Hartman Reinhard.

Henry Kemmerer was born Oct. 23, 1774, and died Dec. 27, 1856. His wife, Magdalena, was born Sept. 1, 1780, and died April 16, 1845. They had eight children: John, born March 7, 1803; Anna Maria, born June 5, 1805; Magdalena, born Oct. 12, 1807; Lydia, born April 17, 1810; Henry, born April 5, 1812; Samuel, born March 12, 1816; Leah, born March 23, 1819; and Elizabeth, born Oct. 30, 1821. John married Christiana Kuhns. Henry lived on the



Emaus road and died May 6, 1830. Samuel died in Allentown in 1879. Two of the daughters married men named Snyder and Lerch.

George Adam Kemmerer was born June 8, 1777, and died March 2, 1849. He settled in Whitehall township, where he married Susanna Troxell, and had five children. His son, George, had children: James J., born 1848, died 1902, who had one son, George C.; Reuben, died in 1900, at the home of his son, George, at Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. William Stem, of Northampton; Mrs. Edward Butz, of Hokendauqua; and Mrs. Fred. Lerch, of Elizabethport, N. J.

Martin Kemmerer was born Nov. 15, 1780, and died March 17, 1854. He removed from Salisbury to Upper Milford in 1821, where he died. He married Maria Dorothea Walter, who was born Jan. 16, 1782, and died June 30, 1841. They are buried at Zionsville Lutheran church. They had seven children: Maria, born Dec. 23, 1804, died Aug. 13, 1880, m. Adam Laudenslager; Philip, born March 20, 1807, removed to Ohio; Henry, born Sept. 5, 1810, who was killed on his way to settle in Iowa in 1854; David, born Oct. 24, 1813, who settled in Ohio; Solomon, born Oct. 14, 1815, died Jan. 7, 1864, in Upper Milford; Martin; Daniel, born July 20, 1820, died Aug. 19, 1886, in Upper Milford.

Martin Kemmerer, son of Martin, was born in Salisbury, Dec. 28, 1818. After farming some years, he was in business in Ohio. In 1842 he purchased the homestead farm which he cultivated for 24 years and engaged in mining and lumbering. In 1867 he removed to Allentown and handled real estate. He was a director of the Second National bank and a member of St. Michael's Lutheran church. He married Sarah, daughter of J. W. Bruner and had children: William, deceased; Mary A., m. Jacob M. Backenstoe; Sarah A., m. Philip B. Kemmerer; and Leah, m. Thomas Leidy. He married a second time, and had a son, Martin, now a clerk in and director of the Second National bank.

Anna Mary, daughter of Henry, was born Oct. 28, 1782, and married John Bortz.

Rosina, daughter of Henry, was born Sept. 4, 1785, and married a Mr. Ritter.

Frederick Kemmerer, second son of Frederick, the emigrant, operated a saw-mill in Upper Milford for some years. He served in the Revolutionary War and died in Allentown in December, 1843, and was buried with military honors by the Harrison Guards and Lehigh Artillerists. Frederick and Magdalena Kemmerer had 12 children: John; Christian, b. Sept. 23, 1781; Anna Maria, born Feb. 14, 1783; Magdalena, b. March 5, 1786; John J., b. Nov. 11, 1787; Rosina, b. Oct. 16, 1789; Frederick, b. June 9, 1791; John

George, b. March 10, 1793; Jonas and Elizabeth, b. Aug. 30, 1795; Lydia, b. Aug. 27, 1798, m. Peter Kline; and Henry, b. May 28, 1801.

John Kemmerer, his eldest son, was born July 14, 1780, and died Aug. 29, 1863. He married Christina Smith and had seven children: Anthony; Jacob, Nancy, Salome, Lydia, Hannah, and Reuben.

Reuben Kemmerer was born near Emaus in 1821 and was a shoemaker by occupation. From 1862 to 1866 he was a contractor in ore mines. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, but later became a member of the Evangelical Church, and was a Democrat in politics. He died at Emaus in 1881. Mr. Kemmerer married Elizabeth, daughter of Henry and Susanna Derr, of Hereford township, Berks county. She was born in 1822 and had brothers and sisters: Henry, William, Mrs. Jonas Minner, Mrs. John Wagner, Mrs. Sally Stoudt, and **Annie**.

Reuben and Elizabeth Kemmerer had three children: Maria, wife of Charles De Long, of Upper Milford; Henry D.; and Sarah, wife of William Wendling, of Upper Milford. Reuben Kemmerer married, second, Tillie Morrison, and had one child, Ida Tillie, widow of Marcus Ritter, of Philadelphia.

HENRY D. KEMMERER, son of Reuben, was born at Emaus, Feb. 4, 1846. He attended the Kemmerer school, near Emaus, and worked in the ore mines from the age of 14 to 17, when he enlisted in Co. K, 41st Penna., on July 1, 1863, for three months, and at the expiration of his enlistment re-enlisted in Co. B, 8th Penna. Cavalry, and served until August, 1865. He participated in the battles of Petersburg, Five Forks, Appomattox Court House, and others. After the war he was employed as a brakeman on the L. V. R. R., and for one year on the C. B. & Q. R. R., in Illinois. He then was employed in the Michigan lumber camps for one year and for a time as a carpenter in Chicago, after which he returned to Emaus and was employed in ore mines for two years, and in the Emaus furnace for two years. He then removed to Allentown and worked in the Allentown furnace for ten years, after which he became a teamster. He is a member of the Evangelical Church, and a Republican in politics. He married, April 6, 1877, Sophia, daughter of Conrad and Elizabeth (Smith) Bornemann, of Catasauqua. Mrs. Kemmerer was born in Germany and came to America with her father, then a widower, at the age of fourteen. They had four children: Margaret, who died July 25, 1913, the wife of P. J. Foulke; Anna M., wife of Wm. H. Held; Howard J., died aged 22 years; and Tillie D., died aged 15 years.

Jacob Kemmerer, son of Frederick, the emi-

grant, early removed to Heidelberg township, where he died about 1825. He was a famous hunter and shot a large number of deer. He acted as captain of a squad of men who went to Gnadenhütten to bury those who had been killed by Indians. He had a son, John, born Feb. 2, 1771.

George Kemmerer, son of Frederick, the emigrant, was born Dec. 1, 1752, and died Oct. 13, 1838. He kept the tavern between Macungie and Shimersville, long known as Foster's. He married Magdalena Reinhard, who was born Sept. 17, 1767, and died Jan. 11, 1838. They had eight children: Elizabeth, born July 11, 1793; John, born Nov. 8, 1794, died Oct. 14, 1806; Henry, born March 8, 1796, died Nov. 15, 1872; Maria, born Aug. 20, 1799; Magdalena, born Dec. 7, 1800; Susanna, born Nov. 20, 1802; Lydia, born April 19, 1805, died Sept. 24, 1879, m. Laurence Kline; and Jacob, born Sept. 30, 1806. Thomas K. Seislove, of Allentown, was a grandson.

John Kemmerer was born near Easton, in Forks township, and by trade was a miller. He came to Allentown, and engaged in the confectionery business on Hamilton street. In politics he was a Republican, and was a member of the Reformed Church. At his death he was interred in the old Allentown cemetery. He married Sarah Young.

TILGHMAN DAVID KEMMERER, son of John, was born Dec. 5, 1835, in Forks township, Northampton county, and was educated in the public schools of his native place and the Allentown Academy. He then settled in Allentown, and learned cigar making and conducted a cigar store on Hamilton street.

Later he sold his business and entered the employ of Ruhe Brothers, packing cigars, where he remained during his life. He died Nov. 3, 1895. He was a member of St. Johns Reformed church, and in politics, a Republican.

He was married, Feb. 10, 1858, by Rev. C. F. Walden, at Bethlehem, to Emma M. Knauss, born July 2, 1841, daughter of Alexander and Mary (Ludwig) Knauss.

Issue: Edwin B., born Nov. 25, 1858; Charles Henry, born July 15, 1860; Mary C., born Jan. 17, 1862; John Alexander, born June 17, 1864; William Rufus, born March 13, 1866; Tilghman David, born Feb. 1, 1868; and Harry H., born Nov. 11, 1876.

Edwin B. married Ella J. Moyer, daughter of Henry Moyer.

Mary C., married, Jan. 17, 1882, John Sellers, son of John Sellers.

John A., married Laura Kern. Issue: Ida.

William R., married Maggie George. Issue: Florence, and Harold.

Henry H., married Lottie Bellesfield. Issue: George, and Emma.

Mrs. Emma M. Kemmerer is a lady of culture and refinement, a life-long member of the Reformed Church, and resides at 101 South Eighth street, Allentown. Mrs. Kemmerer was reared by her grandmother Ludwig, her mother dying soon after her birth.

John Kemmerer, son of George, born Jan. 30, 1800, died Feb. 10, 1871; married Louisa Harlacher. She was born March 15, 1803, and died April 6, 1891. They had seven children: Ephraim, Francis, Daniel, Theophilus, Reuben, Emma, and Edmund Kemmerer.

Francis Kemmerer, born Jan. 30, 1833, died March 9, 1907, son of John Kemmerer, married Amanda Reinhard. Issue: Sylvester, and Marcus J. Kemmerer.

SYLVESTER GEORGE KEMMERER was born Feb. 16, 1857, in Salisbury township. He was reared on the farm and received a common school education, attending the Ritter school house. After working on the farm for his father a number of years, he purchased it and is now engaged in general farming and trucking. Mr. Kemmerer and family are members of Western Salisbury church. In politics he is a Republican.

In 1891 he was married to Miss Ellen J. Stephens, by Rev. Myron Rath, of Allentown. She was the daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Kehm) Stephens, of Lower Macungie. They had seven children: Annie and Miles, at home; Minnie, d. aged 14; Martha, d. young; John, at home; Florence, d. young; and one other, died young.

MARCUS J. KEMMERER, son of Francis and Amanda (Reinhard) Kemmerer, was born May 27, 1864, in Salisbury township, and educated in the public schools and Keystone State Normal School. He taught school in Salisbury township for three years, then settled on the Kemmerer homestead, which has been in the family over 100 years. He remained there until 1908, when he removed to Emaus. He is a member of the Lutheran Church which he has served as a deacon, trustee and elder, has been Sunday school superintendent for 20 years, and a school director for six years. Marcus J. Kemmerer married Serena, daughter of Owen and Catherine Laudenslager. Issue: E. Marcus, married Hattie Mory, daughter of John and Ida Mory. Issue: Clarence H. Kemmerer.

#### KERN FAMILY.

Nicholas Kern, the ancestor of the Kern family, sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, on the ship



"*Adventurer*," and arrived at Philadelphia on Oct. 2, 1727. The first mention of him in Lehigh region is on Sept. 23, 1734, when he and wife were sponsors to the child of Peter Troxell, baptized by Rev. John Philip Boehm. He probably lived in Whitehall township sometime before securing title to land. The first warrant for which he applied was dated Dec. 3, 1735, for 150 acres; the second, Feb. 24, 1737, for 100 acres; and the third on Oct. 28, 1737, for 50 acres. The first and third warrant for 200 acres were surveyed Nov. 7, 1737, described as situated on a branch of the Lehigh creek, in Bucks county, beginning at a marked elm tree by vacant land, south 20 degrees, west 142 perches, north 70 degrees, west 239 perches; then by land of Caspar Wistar, north 20 degrees, west 63 perches, and by vacant land north 20 degrees, west 79 perches; thence by vacant land south 70 degrees, west 239 perches to the place of beginning; containing 200 acres and 16 perches.

The warrant dated Feb. 24, 1737, was for 100 acres beginning at a small white oak; thence by vacant land south 20 degrees west, 136 perches to a post, a corner of Leonard Steininger's land; thence by the same north 70 degrees west, 160 perches to the corner of Jacob Weaver's land; thence by the same north 20 degrees east, 106 perches by vacant land south 70 degrees east, 160 perches to the place of beginning.

On Feb. 27, 1739, Nicholas Kern and wife, Maria Margaret, sold these tracts to Lawrence Guth.

The names of Nicholas Kern and his wife appeared as sponsors in the Egypt Reformed church records in 1736, 1739, 1740 and 1741. On Dec. 13, 1744, Cornelia Kern, daughter of Nicholas Kern, was a sponsor to the child of John Nicholas Schneider. June 14, 1741, Nicholas Kern and his wife Margaret, were sponsors to John Nicholas, son of John Senders, and Nov. 29, 1741, to John Nicholas, son of Ulrich Sensinger.

Lorentz Kern, son of Nicholas, was born March 5, 1741, and baptized May 7, 1741, at the Jordan Lutheran church. His sponsors were Lorentz Guth and wife, Salome. On Nov. 24, 1737, he secured a warrant for 300 acres, and on March 15, 1738, one for 200 acres of land situated along the Lehigh river, described as the west branch of the Delaware. Gottfried Knauss in 1739, secured 200 acres adjoining Kern on the south.

After 1741, we find no mention of Nicholas Kern in Whitehall, and it is probable that at that early date he removed to his 500-acre tract and began to cultivate the land. He was naturalized

April 10, 1742. At this time several of his sons were nearing manhood and with their assistance, at an early date, he erected a grist mill and a saw mill on his land, which he mentions in his will. He died in the early part of 1749 and his will was probated May 11, 1749. This will was one of the first will recorded by an inhabitant of this section and is recorded at Philadelphia in Book I, page 120. It reads as follows:

"In the Name of the Holy Trinity, Amen. I, Nicholas Kern, being afflicted by the Lord's Providence with Sickness and weakness of Body, which makes me doubtfull about my recovery, but being by God's Mercy of Sound Mind, I first of all recommend my soul into the hands of my dear Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and have declared this to be my last Will and Testament in the presence of the under-written Witnesses in manner as follows, vizt; first, it is my will and order that my wife Maria Margaretha after my decease shall hold our Plantation, Grist Mill and Saw Mill, all our cattle and implements, together with all the moveable or Household furniture until the youngest of our children, vizt; Lorentz Kern, will be of age; that is, my said wife Maria Margaretha shall, until the time above limited, have full power to manage and act with all and every of our aforesaid goods or estate of what denomination soever, for the best of herself and the children, according to Justice, and as it ought to be done and at the time our said youngest son will be of age then all our Estate above mentioned, to be justly divided according to our law of Pennsylvania, that is to say, one just and equal third part of all our Estate unto my wife Maria Margaretha and the remainder two-thirds parts unto my eight children, vizt; Henry, Frederick, Cornelia, William, Nicholas, John, George and Lorentz Kern share and share alike, and as my daughter Maria Barbara, now living in Philadelphia, never did contribute and assist us in the least about that which I and the rest of my family earned by hard labour, but on the contrary has spent the time she lived in this county for her own advantage, nevertheless, notwithstanding to withdraw my affection as a father from her or to exclude her totally from her portion, I therefore bequeath unto her 10 pounds, our lawful Pennsylvania current money, which shall be paid unto her at the time of the reparation to be made amongst my remaining children, moreover, I give and bequeath unto my last mentioned daughter Maria Barbara, one cow, which shall be given and delivered unto her the next spring. Moreover, I ordain and state my wife Maria Margaretha and Jacob Farber to be guardians of my children and executors of all my estate to the end that they have direction of

my children under age for their instruction and education in the Christian Religion, as also that nothing may be wrong, administration be lost, but rather increased of what I left behind me and to the end, that all which is above mentioned may be firmly and unchangeably kept and followed, I do confirm these presents with my own hand writing and seal and is attested by the under written witnesses:

Done in Bucks County, Near Lehigh, December ye 28th, 1748.

(s) Nicholas Kern.

J. Ch. Seybert

Jacob Heffelfinger

Jacob Farber

John Nicholas Sneider

Translated September 18, 1749, by Joseph Crell.

Salford, the 11th day of May, 1749,

There personally appeared Jacob Farber and John Nicholas Schneider, two of the witnesses to the within written will, and on their oath respectively declare they saw and heard Nicholas, the testator within mentioned, sign, seal, publish and declare the same will to be his last will and testament, and that at the time thereof he was of sound mind, memory and understanding to the best of their knowledge. Cosam. Jacob Reiff, by authority for William Plumstead, Recorder General, May 11, 1749. Proved. Letters testamentary granted to Maria Margaret Kern, Jacob Farber, the other executor having renounced executorship."

Margaret, widow of Nicholas, was still living in 1770, and on Jan. 4, 1770, with Henry, Frederick, William, Nicholas, George and Lorentz Kerns, and Martin Singling and wife, Cornelia, released to John Kern for 200 pounds part of a tract of 226 acres of land, and to William Kern, a tract of 140 acres of land for 300 pounds.

Of the children of Nicholas Kern, as it was customary to name the children in order of their age in wills, we assume that Henry was the eldest.

He was taxed in Heidelberg township four pounds in 1762, and in 1763, when his brother William was tax collector, his name is marked Poor, 0.

His name appears in the 1770 release. He may have moved to Maxatawny, as a Henry Kern lived there in 1768.

Frederick Kern, second son, was born in 1719, and died Jan. 27, 1790, aged 71 years. He was buried by Rev. Blumer. He and his wife Catharine had a son Frederick, baptized Oct. 6, 1765, and a son John, born May 21, 1772. Frederick Kern was taxed 10 pounds in 1762; three pounds in 1763; one pound for 200 acres in 1764, and

in 1768 was taxed on 60 acres of cultivated and 200 of uncultivated land.

Maria Barbara Kern, daughter of Nicholas Kern, lived at Philadelphia.

Cornelia Kern married Martin Singling. In 1762 they lived in Lehigh township.

William Kern was born in 1725, and died August 18, 1800. He is buried at Unionville. He was twice married. In 1762 he was taxed 20 pounds, in 1763 he was tax collector and taxed 24 pounds, of which 14 pounds was abated. In 1764 he was taxed 6 pounds on 260 acres and in 1782, 2 pounds, 8 shillings on 40 acres of cultivated and 200 acres of uncultivated land, a grist mill, three horses and three cows. His son, William, Jr., was born Jan. 16, 1751, and died Jan. 21, 1841, of old age, aged 89 years. William Kern and his wife, Maria Salome, had sons: Nicholas, born Oct. 2, 1773; John, born Nov. 2, 1777; George William, born May 15, 1772, and Elizabeth Catharine, born Oct. 3, 1775.

Nicholas Kern, son of Nicholas, with his wife Eva, was sponsor to John Nicholas, son of William Kern, in 1773. In 1762, Nicholas Kern was taxed 16 pounds in Towamensing township; in 1767, 20 pounds; in 1774, he was taxed 2 pounds, 4 shillings, as a farmer, on 200 acres; in 1786, he was taxed on 225 acres of land and grist mill. Nicholas Kern, Jr., was assessed in 1785 for a grist mill and 75 acres of land. He was a lieutenant colonel in the Revolution. His son Nicholas, born in 1760, and died in 1829, was sheriff of the county.

John Kern, fifth son of Nicholas, the first, acquired 226 acres of his father's tract by release in 1770. He was assessed in 1762, 13 pounds; 1763, four pounds; 1764, three pounds on 200 acres; in 1768, on thirty acres of cultivated and 200 of uncultivated land, two horses and two cows. He and his wife, Annie Margaret, had the following children: Annie Catharine, born January 22, 1771; Susanna Margaret, born Feb. 28, 1773; George Kern, born June 6, 1774, married in 1802, Elizabeth Sensinger and had two sons: John George, born in 1807; and Conrad, born June 2, 1808; and Daniel, who moved to Indiana in 1839.

George Kern, sixth son of Nicholas, the first, was single in 1764. His name appeared in the tax list of 1785. Lorentz, youngest son of Nicholas Kern, born in 1741, is mentioned in the Heidelberg tax list in 1762 and 1764 as a single man.

John George Kern, eldest son of George Kern and his wife, Elizabeth Sensinger, was born March 7, 1807; died April 6, 1861. He was buried at Frieden's Church cemetery. His farm







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*Thomas Kern*



covered 120 acres and is now the center of the slate region. He was a member of the old state militia and of the Frieden's Reformed church, in the building of which he took a prominent part. His wife was Margaret Wert, daughter of Christian Wert, born June 6, 1805. Their children were: Mary, who married John Kreitz; Elias; Thomas; Lucy, who died unmarried; and Rufina, who married Jarret Farber.

Conrad Kern, the youngest son of George Kern, was born June 2, 1808, and married Polly Snyder, and had sons: Paul and John.

Daniel Kern, brother of George and son of John, removed to Indiana in 1839, and had children: John, Lewis, Mrs. John Rex, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Mertz.

THOMAS KERN, late president of the National Bank of Slatington, lumber merchant and planing mill operator, was born Oct. 26, 1839, near Emerald, Washington township. By hard labor and application, he acquired a good practical education and worked upon the farm until his majority. In 1860, he began farming for himself and what is now the American Slate Farm, better known as the Washington Slate Company, and continued there until 1868. Through the death of his father in 1861 he obtained possession of the farm at the appraisement in 1863, at which time he entered into partnership with Henry Kuntz and John Bower, and opened up the American Slate quarry, No. 2. These three men operated this quarry about three years, when Mr. Kern sold his interest, and in 1865 opened up the American Slate quarry No. 1, which he operated until 1868, when he disposed of his interests to the American Slate Company, of Bethlehem.

In the latter part of 1868, he purchased an interest in the A. Berkemeyer lumber yard, and in 1871 he became sole proprietor by purchasing the interest of his partner. This yard was located at the corner of Second street and Center alley. In the fall of 1888 he purchased from the administrators of John Balliet, the lumber yard and planing mill between Railroad and Cherry streets, the only lumber yard in Slatington, which now employs 22 men. From July 24, 1906, until his death, Jan. 12, 1914, Mr. Kern was president of the National Bank of Slatington, and was a director since 1875, being one of the original directors and organizers.

Mr. Kern took a keen interest in political affairs and held the offices of chief burgess of the borough, councilman, and school director. He and his family held membership in St. John's Reformed church, which congregation he served as trustee since its organization.

In 1859 he was married to Amanda Kern, daughter of Thomas and Rebecca (Miller) Kern,

Sr., and their children are: Clara, wife of A. P. Neff; Robert; Dr. A. J.; William H.; Franklin; Richard E.; Ella, wife of W. W. Morgan; Lillian, wife of C. H. Hodges, and George C.

Robert S. Kern was born April 15, 1863, and is employed by his father. He married in 1879, Susan E. Lentz, daughter of Gideon Lentz. They had five children, of whom three are alive: Arthur E.; Raymond T.; and Alva M., is a graduate of Slatington high school, and the American Commercial School, Allentown, and is now a stenographer.

DR. ALVIN J. KERN, physician and surgeon, was born in Slatington, March 28, 1865. He was educated in the public schools and graduated from the Slatington high school, and in 1885 from Ursinus College. He entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1885, graduating in 1888, and located at Slatington. In 1891 he took a post graduate course in the Philadelphia Polyclinic Hospital, and now enjoys a large practice in Slatington.

Dr. Kern is a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. & A. M.; Slatington Chapter, No. 292, R. A. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., of Allentown; and of the I. O. O. F.; of the Jr. O. U. A. M.; Knights of Friendship; and of the P. O. S. of A. He is a Republican in politics, and was the first Republican member of the Legislature elected from Lehigh county, being elected in 1894 and re-elected in 1896. He was a member of the school board of Slatington for nine years, having been elected three successive terms, and served one term as president, one term as secretary, and one term as treasurer. He is a member of the Reformed Church.

Dr. Kern was married June, 1893, to Emma J. Schaffer, daughter of Charles and Hetty (Steckel) Schaffer, of Cementon. Mrs. Kern died Nov. 14, 1907, aged 44 years. They had one daughter, Marion Schaffer Kern, who graduated from the Slatington high school in 1911 with first honor. Mrs. Kern was a school teacher in Lehigh county for thirteen years, possessing a professional certificate, and was highly esteemed by her pupils.

In 1894, Dr. Kern built his present fine residence, which contains a large library which is frequently consulted, as its owner is a student of standard literature.

At the time Dr. Kern was a candidate for the Legislature, as Lehigh county was known to be one of the most reliable Democratic counties in the state, very few people supposed that the Republican party had any opportunity of winning; but the entire house delegation of the party triumphed by a good majority.

Dr. Kern was a member of the committees on

public health and sanitation; fish and game laws; and bureau of statistics. He introduced and exerted his utmost efforts to have passed a bill providing for the appointment of inspectors of slate quarries, in which his constituents were largely interested, and gave his best and most careful attention to all his legislative duties.

William H. Kern was born on Sept. 19, 1866, died Feb. 24, 1896, at Slatington. He was married at Chicago, during the World's Fair in 1893, to Mary Alice Clay, of Chester county, Pa. He was the cashier of the White Haven Savings Bank at the time of his death.

Franklin Kern, a druggist in Philadelphia, was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and has a drug store at 39th and Aspen streets, and is married to Nellie Moore, and have one son, Franklin, Jr.

Richard E. Kern was born March 1, 1869, and is the yardman at his father's lumber yard. He was married May 10, 1893, to Sallie, daughter of Alexander Caskie. They have these children: Ruth, David, Thomas, Ella, Ara, W. Wallace, Amanda, Frederick, and Samuel.

George C. Kern was born at Slatington, Jan. 16, 1878. He was graduated from the high school and entered his father's employ, and since 1893 has been his assistant and bookkeeper.

Arthur E. Kern, son of Robert S., was married in 1899 to Hannah Roberts. He is in the employ of the Thomas Kern Lumber Company as engineer and fireman. They have six children, three of whom died small. The living are: David, Eleanor and Sarah.

Ray T. Kern, son of Robert S., is married to Rosalie Schwartz, of Lehigh, Pa. They live at Slatington, and he is assistant bookkeeper of the Thomas Kern Lumber Company. They have one daughter, Lucille.

Clara Kern, daughter of Thomas, is married to A. P. Neff, of Slatington. They have three sons and three daughters, namely: Oscar E., assistant treasurer Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company, resides at Philadelphia; 2. Frank A., of Wichita, Kansas; 3. George, mail carrier, of Slatington; 4. Lillian; 5. Marguerite; and 6. Frances. Lillian is a graduate of West Chester State Normal School and is a public school teacher.

William Kern, born in 1725, third son of Nicholas, the emigrant, became the owner of the grist and saw mills, which he operated many years. In 1756, he furnished Benjamin Franklin with lumber at Fort Allen, and during the Indian troubles rendered the settlers valuable service as mediator with the red men, with whom he was most friendly. Frequently Indians encamped in the vicinity of the mills.

His son, William, Jr., who died in 1841, left two sons, William, of Parryville, and Joseph; who had a son who lived along the Susquehanna river.

Christopher Kern, second son of William, Sr., had sons: Henry, Daniel, Charles, Lefenus, and Stephen.

Henry's children were Israel, Nathan, Elias, Conrad and Owen.

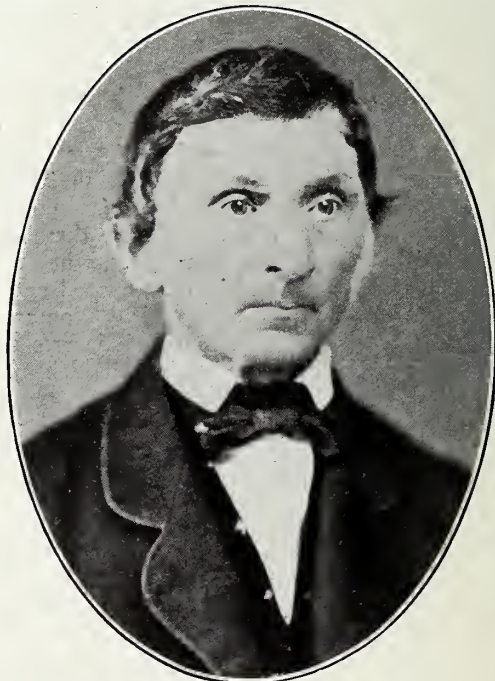
Daniel removed to Crawford county.

Charles' sons were Joel, Adam, Lewis, and Alfred.

Lefenus had four sons, and Stephen's sons were Francis, Edward and Charles.

Nicholas Kern, third son of William, Sr., was born Oct. 2, 1773. His sons were: Henry, who removed to Indiana; Jacob, who had no sons; Stephen, who died single; and Adam, who moved to Indiana.

John Kern, son of William, Sr., born Nov. 2, 1777. He succeeded his father at the mill, known as Kern's Mill. It is now owned by Alfred J.



JONAS KERN.

Kern. John Kern married Magdalena Peter, and had ten children, six sons and four daughters. They were:

John, who was killed by a fall from an apple tree at the age of 21; Jonas; Thomas, who had a son Henry; Daniel, who has a son Willoughby; Reuben, whose sons were Wilson and Frank; Joseph, who had a son Thomas; Susanna, wife of Jonas Hoffman; Leah, wife of Elias Hoffman; Mrs. Daniel Wehr, and Mrs. William App.





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Jonas Kern, second son of John Kern, and Magdalena Peter, was born Oct. 28, 1805, and died Dec. 28, 1892. At the early age of sixteen he was placed in charge of the mill and resided in the home where he was born and raised. The first slate quarry on the west side of the Lehigh river was opened in 1845 on lands of Jonas Kern, under lease from him to the great dissatisfaction of his neighbors.

His wife was Maria Wehr, a daughter of Michael Wehr. She died in February, 1851, aged thirty-seven years, and is buried at Frieden's church. They had two children: Violetta, who married Henry Kuntz, and Benjamin.

BENJAMIN KERN, an honored citizen of Slatington, was born in his present residence, August 26, 1834, and was educated in the local schools and later at Kessler's Allentown Academy. He engaged in the mercantile business at the age of twenty years with his brother-in-law, Henry Kuntz, under the firm name of Kuntz & Kern. They conducted a general store, and were also pioneers in the slate industry in the earlier 50's. Later the firm became Kern & Opp and after twelve years, Mr. Opp withdrew. Mr. Kern continued the business alone for forty-five years, and retired in 1893, after a busy and successful career.

Mr. Kern was chief burgess during the railroad strike in 1877 and was a member of council for many years.

He and the family are members of St. John's Reformed church, where he served as deacon and elder for many years. In 1857, he was married to Leanna, a daughter of Jonas Peter. Mrs. Kern died May 10, 1894, in her 54th year. They had two children: Agnes, who died in infancy; and Ellen Victoria, who married Joseph H. Fuller. Mr. Fuller, (who was born in 1850, at Harrisburg, Pa.), has been an invalid for some years, but his mental faculties are strong and clear. He resides with his father-in-law, at Slatington. They have no children.

Jacob Kern, another son of William, Sr., had sons: Jacob, who lived along the Susquehanna; and Elias, of Quakertown. Among the daughters of Mr. Kern, Sr., were Salome, Julianna, and Elizabeth Catharine, one of whom married a Mr. Snyder, of Millport.

Christopher Kern, second son of William, Sr., was a farmer and a member of the Reformed Church. He married Susanna Bauman, who was born Oct. 4, 1778, and died March 8, 1869, at the great age of 90 years, three months and four days. Their children were: Henry, Daniel, Charles, Lefanus, Stephen, Mrs. Joseph Peter and Mrs. Stephen Smith.

Charles Kern, third son of Christopher, was born at Slatington in 1805, and died there in 1860. He married a Miss Peter. He and his wife were buried at Frieden's church, where his parents are also buried. He owned a 110-acre farm, the second property north from the Lehigh Valley depot.

His children from the first marriage were: Joel; Hettie, wife of John Roth; Aaron; Lewis; and Alfred J.

He married the second time, Mrs. Susanna (German) Buck. They had two children: Orville Kern, and Medina, wife of Nathan German.

ALFRED J. KERN, miller at Slatington, son of Charles Kern, was born in 1847, and remained upon the homestead until he attained his majority. He learned the milling trade when 18 years old. He was employed for a year in the old Custard Mill near Slatington and three years in the mill at Germanville. In 1872, he rented his present mill and operated it until 1877, when he purchased it from the Henry Kuntz estate, since which time it has been operated under his management. In 1903, Mr. Kern built his fine residence at Main and Diamond streets, where stood the original Kern Mill mentioned in the Indian Wars. He and his family are members of St. John's Reformed church, which he has served as deacon.

He was married in 1871 to Fietta Snyder, daughter of Eli Snyder, of Pleasant Corner. They had nine children: William A., Howard, Irwin, Gertrude, Beulah, and Charles, Ida, Albert and Oscar, deceased.

Elias Kern, son of Henry Kern, and grandson of Christopher, was born June 19, 1816, in Washington township, near Rockdale, where he was reared and educated. He attended his father's saw mill which for a long time was operated both day and night. Elias was visited on a dark night by a panther and for safety ran into his cabin and made the door fast, where he remained until morning. Meanwhile the animal jumped on the cabin roof and for some time emitted blood-curdling yells. After his marriage he removed to Mehoopany, Pa., and there purchased a farm, which he greatly improved during the forty-five years he lived upon it. In 1882 he sold his farm and went to near Quakertown, Pa., where he resided until 1896, when he and Mrs. Kern made their home with their son, John J. Kern, at Quakertown, where he died, Feb. 24, 1897. Mrs. Kern died Oct. 7, 1904, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Baum, at Allentown. Both were interred in the Union cemetery at Slatington.

Elias Kern married Annie Fritzinger. Issue: Benjamin and Susanna, both died in infancy;

William; Sarah A., married S. A. Baum; Edwin R.; Franklin S.; and John J. Kern, of whom below. All are deceased but John J.

John J. Kern, the youngest child of Elias and Anne (Fritzing) Kern, was born Oct. 1, 1855, at Mehoopany, Pa. He was educated in the public schools, alternating with assisting his father on the farm. In 1879 he became a cigar salesman and covered western and southwestern territory. In 1883 he engaged in the manufacture of cigars, having his main factory at Quakertown until 1902, then removed to Slatington, where he built a double residence on upper Main street. He continues to manufacture cigars, on a small scale, and also is a fruit grower. At Quakertown he was active in Republican politics and was for some years a committeeman of the Third ward and was delegate to a number of conventions. John J. Kern married in 1895, Susan E. Remaly, daughter of Adam Remaly. Issue: a son, J. Raymond Kern. Mrs. Kern was the widow of E. H. Huff, by whom she had one daughter, Irene Huff.

George Kern, son of John and Annie Margaret Kern, was born in 1774, and married June 6, 1802, Maria Elizabeth Sensinger. He died April 27, 1850, aged seventy-five years, four months and seventeen days. Both were buried at Frieden's church. They had sons: John, George (1807-1861), and Conrad.

Conrad Kern was married to Polly Snyder, who died in January, 1836, a young mother. They lived at Slatington. Their children were: (1) John, who served as a soldier in the Civil War. Two funeral sermons were delivered for him, as he was supposed to have been killed in the army. (2) Luzetta, who died young; and (3) Paul C., of whom below.

PAUL C. KERN, the youngest son of Conrad and Polly (Snyder) Kern, was born Jan. 7, 1836. He worked for various farmers of his neighborhood until about twenty years of age. He then bought a farm near what is now Best P. O., of 60 acres, where after five years he sold out, and built a brick house at "Peter's Store," in 1864. In that year he removed to Lizard Creek Valley, where he purchased a farm of 60 acres, farmed two years, then built a saw-mill, which he operated. In 1869 he sold this property and moved into his house at Peter's Store. He burned lime in Whitehall some years, then operated a saw mill in Washington township for many years. Later he operated a steam saw mill and followed the lumber business about twelve years. He retired from active work in 1906 and his son succeeded to his business. He became a member of the Heidelberg Reformed church. Paul C. Kern married in 1857, Maria Rauch, daughter of Joshua Rauch. Mrs. Kern died

March 6, 1907, aged 69 years. Issue: Luzetta, died aged 4 years; Janette, married William Hoffman; Laura, married Thomas Fries; Josephine, married Oscar Hamer; Lewis, married Ada Rauch. Issue: Dora and Worman. He is a farmer in Washington township.

Nicholas Kern was born Nov. 17, 1793, at Emerald, and died there Jan. 7, 1868. He had a tract of about 300 acres of land, which was eventually divided into four farms and apportioned to his children. He married Elizabeth Hartman, born Jan. 15, 1798, died Nov. 2, 1877, and both Mr. and Mrs. Kern were interred at Frieden's Reformed church cemetery. Both were members of this church. Issue: (1) David; (2) Paul; (3) Robert, of whom below; (4) Kate; and (5) Elizabeth Kern.

David Kern, the eldest son of Nicholas and Elizabeth Hartman Kern, was born June 9, 1820, died Nov. 17, 1890, and was interred in the cemetery at Slatington. He was educated in the public schools and upon attaining manhood engaged in farming in Washington township and owned the farm now occupied by his son, Peter Kern. He was a deacon, elder and trustee of Frieden's Reformed church. He married Abigail Lentz, who died August 17, 1893, in her 76th year. Issue: three children: Peter, of whom below, and two who died in infancy.

Peter Kern, only son of David and Abigail (Lentz) Kern, was born on his father's farm, Jan. 28, 1845. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm, his time divided between work and attendance at the public schools. He assisted his parents until their decease, when he succeeded to the ownership of the homestead, which he has since operated. In politics he is a Democrat; was township supervisor five years. His family are members of the Evangelical Church, of which Mr. Kern served as a trustee.

Peter Kern married, in 1866, Madina Neff, daughter of Elias and Lydia Ann (Mosser) Neff. Issue: two children, Oscar D. and Ellen L. Kern. Oscar D. married Minnie Boussard. Issue: Homer and Claude. Ellen L. married (first) Oliver A. Krum. Issue: Warren, Irene, Minnie and Olive Krum. Ellen L. married (second) Alvin Sechler. Issue: Lawrence Sechler.

Paul Kern, second son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hartman) Kern, was born at the old homestead, at Emerald and in his boyhood days attended the public schools of the neighborhood and assisted his father upon the farm. After attaining his majority, he became a farmer on a tract of land adjacent to the Union cemetery, in the southwestern end of Slatington. He married Caroline Ash. Issue: Rosa and Wilson Kern.



ROBERT KERN, the third son of Nicholas and Elizabeth (Hartman) Kern, was born Dec. 22, 1833, in Lehigh county, and was reared upon the farm, acquiring his education in the public schools. To that foundation he added by reading and observation and became well informed on current events and topics of general interest. He followed farming for many years, discontinuing his farm operations in 1890. During the progress of the Civil War he was drafted, which entailed upon him an expense of \$1,800.00. In 1871, Mr. Kern established a coal business in Franklin, Pa., having for a partner several years, Tilghman Kuntz, after which he took his son, Weston H., into partnership and the firm had an extensive patronage. Mr. Kern donated the land upon which was built the Evangelical church at Emerald. He also assisted in building the Slatington and Slateville Evangelical churches, and was always liberal in church benevolences. He was a trustee and treasurer of the Emerald church for many years. He was also a trustee and treasurer of the Slatington church. He was a tax collector and for three terms an assistant assessor; was a member of the Masonic order and also of the I. O. O. F.

Robert Kern married, in 1853, Miss Julia A. Peter, daughter of Joseph Peter, of Lehigh county, born July 23, 1833. Issue: Erasmus F., of whom below; Henrietta; Oliver F.; Ida, who married Rev. J. W. Roth; Flora (Mrs. O. S. Peters); Robert A.; and Weston H. Kern, of whom below. Mrs. Julia A. Kern, the widow of Robert, resides in the old homestead at Emerald, her daughter, Henrietta, caring for her and administering to her every need. Miss Kern is actively interested in every department of church work. She was for years a teacher in the Sunday school.

Weston H. Kern, youngest son of Robert and Julia A. (Peters) Kern, was born August 5, 1872, at Emerald, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of the neighborhood and in 1891 at the age of 19 years, he became partner with his father under the firm name of Robert Kern & Son, dealers in coal, sand, cement, feed, etc., at Emerald.

At his father's retirement from business, in 1906, Weston H. became the sole proprietor. He improved his plant in 1907 by erecting a coal shed 30x120 feet. In 1910, he built an elevator having a capacity of 1,000 tons of coal, and being one of the most modern in that section. In politics he is a Democrat and was registry assessor three terms and tax collector, two terms. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and the Knights of Malta. In this order the degree of Past Commander was conferred upon him at Perkasio,

Pa., in May, 1911. He is prominently identified with the Grace Evangelical church of Emerald and its Sunday school superintendent since 1905. He is very active in all departments of church work and was for some years an exhorter.

Weston H. Kern married (first) Feb. 3, 1894, Flora Knecht, who died June 15, 1901, aged 26 years. Issue: Russell, Morris, Maude, died in infancy; Paul, Weston and Flora.

He married (second) in 1905, Matilda Heisler, daughter of Elijah Heisler, and sister of Rev. Israel Heisler, of the Evangelical Church.

Elias Kern was the son of John George and Margaret (Wert) Kern. In early life he resided in Lower Slatington and owned much of the land now comprising the lower part of Slatington. He was a member, also an elder, of Frieden's Reformed church, where he was buried.

He married Hannah Kern, daughter of Nicholas and Hannah (Best) Kern. Nicholas Kern owned much of the land in what is now Washington township, upon which are now the many rich slate quarries. Mr. and Mrs. Kern had issue: Dinah, died in childhood; Emma, married Lewis B. Geiger; Adam, lives with his brother; Lewis; Lucy, married Charles Muth; Benjamin W., lives upon the old homestead; Benjamin W., of whom below; and Dennis, who died in infancy.

BENJAMIN W. KERN, the third son of Elias and Hannah (Kern) Kern, was born August 4, 1860, at Slatington, and was educated in the public schools, meanwhile assisting his father on the farm. In 1880, he farmed for his father one year, then he worked some time in the slate quarry. In 1884, he engaged in merchandising at Friedens, in Washington township, continuing there until 1892, when he removed to Slatington and continued his mercantile business to the present time (1913). His store is located at 920 Main street. In lower Main street, he and his sons conduct another store under the firm name of B. W. Kern & Sons. Mr. Kern is a director and the secretary of the school board. He is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and the Knights of Malta. He and family are members of St. John's Reformed church at Slatington, where he is also an elder. While resident at Friedens he served the church there as a deacon.

Benjamin W. Kern was married on Thanksgiving Day, 1879, to Sallie A. Newhard, daughter of Peter and Harriet (Reber) Newhard, of Washington township. Issue: George B., and Samuel B., of whom below; Effie J., married William Williams; Carrie M.; Rosa, who died in infancy; and Dr. Thomas B. Kern, a graduate of a Philadelphia Medical College, in 1911.

GEORGE B. KERN, the eldest son and first child of Benjamin and Sallie A. (Newhard) Kern, was born Feb. 29, 1880, at Slatington, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of his native town, and at an early age he assisted his father in his store and on the farm. On March 20, 1909, he became a member of the firm of B. W. Kern & Son, conducting a general store at 301 Lower Main street, Slatington. This firm has several employees and the store is located on the ground where stood the barn of his great grandfather, George Kern, years ago.

Mr. Kern is a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., and of the Reformed Church. He married Oct. 14, 1903, Daisy Peters, daughter of Wilson Peters. Issue: Ralph C., and Grace S. Kern.

Samuel B. Kern, the second son of Benjamin and Sallie A. (Newhard) Kern, was born May 8, 1884. He was educated in the public schools and the high school at Slatington, graduating in 1901. He attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, graduating in 1905. He then became a clerk in a Philadelphia drug store, and upon his return to Slatington, he became the manager of the Lehigh Drug Company, of that place, and about one year later purchased the Dr. John S. Mack drug store at 606 Main street, Slatington, which he now operates.

John Kern lived on a large farm near Emerald. The buildings stood at the Hazel Dell slate quarry. His farm embraced the very heart of the slate region, and contains the Washington, Franklin, Trout Creek and other valuable slate veins or beds. The slate was discovered after his day, and the property is now worth many hundred thousand dollars. The stone house in which he lived is now covered with debris from the Hazel Dell quarries. The boiler house of this company rests upon the original foundation of his barn. He died in 1839 or 1840, and he and Mrs. Kern were buried in the private graveyard on his farm. John Kern married a Miss Moyer. Issue: (1) Mollie, married Peter Keener; (2) Susanna, married John Hains, who went West; (3) Elizabeth, married Samuel Everett; (4) Daniel, who was a farmer at Emerald; (5) William, who had a farm near Slatedale; (6) Jonas, lived at Emerald; (7) Gabriel, owned part of the homestead, and (8) Reuben Kern.

Gabriel Kern, the fourth son of John Kern, was born July 7, 1816, at Emerald, Pa. He lived here and at Slatington all his life and was a laborer; worked many years at the slate quarries; was a mortar maker and hod-carrier. He had a farm of 60 acres at Slatington and lived there in a stone house on Main street. He was a member of Frieden's Reformed church, and

died May 19, 1891. He married Fianna Snyder. Issue: (1) Elvina, married David George; (2) William A., of whom below; (3) Israel; (4) Joseph; (5) Emma, who married James Kuhns; (6) Lewis; (7) Minerva, and (8) Jesse Kern.

WILLIAM A. KERN, second son of Gabriel and Fianna (Snyder) Kern, was born at Emerald, Pa., March 17, 1845. He was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools and in young manhood drove a slate team and worked in the slate quarry. About 1870 he removed to Slatington, where he has since resided, having his own home at 1218 Upper Main street. Mr. Kern and family are members of the Frieden's Reformed church, where he was a deacon and elder.

William A. Kern married, in 1867, Rebecca Solt, daughter of Aaron and Sarah (Dieter) Solt, and granddaughter of Jacob Solt, of Lehigh township, Northampton county. Conrad Dieter and his wife, Elizabeth Bush, were the parents of Sarah Dieter. Mr. and Mrs. Kern had an only son, Benjamin Franklin, who was born in 1872 and died in 1873.

Daniel Geary and Rebecca Solt had a son, Clinton S. Geary, whose wife is Bertha Kuhns. They have two children, Francis E., and Clifford K. Geary.

ERASMUS F. KERN, son of Robert and Julia A. (Peters) Kern, was born March 10, 1854, on the homestead of his great grandfather, in Washington township. He assisted with the farm work and attended the public schools and when a young man took a course in Eastman's Business College, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., graduating soon after, in 1870. He became a clerk in the Saegersville store, at the age of 18 years, where he continued for eight years, when he went Leavenworth, Kansas, where he remained two years. He then opened a general store at Slatington, and has successfully conducted it to the present time, 1913. In politics he is a Democrat. He served as poor director of Lehigh county for seven years. He is a member of the following orders: Fraternal Order of Eagles; Allentown I. O. O. F., and Knights of Malta, and the Slatington Jr. O. U. A. M. In religion, a Free Thinker. Mr. Kern opened a slate quarry near Slatedale, which he operated for several years, then sold out.

Erasmus F. Kern married in 1885, Mary M. Fusselman, daughter of Philip and Caroline (Sassaman) Fusselman. Issue: Viola J.; Helen C.; Ina M.; Morris N., who died in infancy; David E.; Luther F.; Jefferson I.; and Walter R. Kern.

AARON KERN, son of Charles Kern, was born July 14, 1841, on the "lower farm" of his grand-



father Christopher's old homestead, near Lehigh Gap, along the Lehigh river. He was reared on the farm upon which he spent all his life. In his boyhood days he attended the public schools and assisted with the farm work. He remained with his father until the latter's death in 1860, when he succeeded to the farm of 92 acres. In 1876, Mr. Kern built for himself a modern residence upon the place. In 1901, he purchased the upper farm, of 114 acres from Stephen Kern. On this farm is one of the most substantial stone dwellings that skilled labor can produce. Much of Mr. Kern's 206 acres is slate land. On the lower farm is a quarry worked by the Bangor Slate Company. On Sept. 8, 1910, the barn built in 1905 on the upper farm was destroyed by fire. The one previously built was destroyed by lightning, July 21, 1895. The family are members of the Slatington Reformed church. Mr. Kern in earlier years was a member and deacon in Frieden's Reformed church. Aaron Kern married, Sept. 26, 1862, Mary Ann Buck, daughter of Jonas Buck. Issue: James M., of whom below; Mary, married Henry O. Kern; Annie, married Leon German; Cora, died in infancy; Henry; and Lillie, married George German. She died June 30, 1910, aged 23 years.

JAMES M. KERN, son of Aaron and Mary Ann (Buck) Kern, was born April 1, 1869, in Washington township. He was educated in the public schools, supplemented by a course in a business college, graduating in 1893. He was employed successively as a bookkeeper and clerk for various firms, and was with Koch Brothers for eight years. In 1907, he removed to Slatington, and took up farming on the Elias Remaly place of 35 acres. Mr. Kern is quite devoted to stock raising and dairying. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of Slatington Lodge, No. 440, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master by merit. The family are members of St. John's Reformed church, Slatington, of which he was a deacon for four years and financial secretary five years.

James M. Kern married (first) Cora E. Remaly, daughter of Elias and Fianna (Schosse) Remaly, born in 1876. Issue: Laird E. A. and Wilma M. F. Mrs. Cora E. Kern was killed in a railroad accident, August 12, 1900, at Benninger's crossing, on the Lehigh and New England Railroad. James M. Kern married second) in 1902, Ida S. Rauch, daughter of Andrew Rauch, of Cetronia, Pa. Issue: Elwood H. A. Kern.

Nathan Kern, son of Henry Kern and grandson of Christopher and Susanna (Bauman) Kern, was born April 11, 1833, and died June 30, 1896. He was a farmer in Washington town-

ship. His farm was that now owned by Francis Remaly. He was a member of Frieden's Reformed church, where he and his wife were buried. He married Caroline Shirey, born Nov. 14, 1839, died June 4, 1899. Issue: (1) James; (2) John; (3) Salinda; (4) Frank J., of whom below; (5) Nathaniel; (6) Oscar; (7) Annie; and (8) Edwin Kern.

Frank J. Kern, third son of Nathan and Caroline (Shirey) Kern, was born in Washington township, March 18, 1864. As a boy he attended the public schools of his neighborhood and at the age of eighteen learned the trade of shoemaker, which he has ever since followed. He was employed for two years as a journeyman at Easton; in 1885 worked at Hoffman's, and in 1886, removed to Slatington, where he now resides. The family are members of Frieden's Reformed church.

He married, April 19, 1891, Emma C. Musselman, daughter of Aaron and Diana Musselman. Issue: Esther R. and Raymond F. Kern.

Reuben Kern, was born in what was then Heidelberg (now Washington) township. He owned and operated a small farm and worked in the slate quarry. He was a member of the Reformed church at Slatedale, where he is also buried. He married Lydia Ferber. Issue: Maria, married Joseph Vfliet; Hannah, married Lewis Roth; L. Frank; Cornelius, of whom below, and Phoenix Kern.

CORNELIUS KERN, the youngest son of Reuben and Lydia (Ferber) Kern, was born on New Year's Day, 1848. He attended the public schools of his neighborhood in his boyhood days. From the age of 15 years he followed butchering until the present time, (1913). He at one time employed several men to assist him in his business. He has a valuable slate farm of 28 acres in the upper end of Slatedale, upon which he built a home residence in 1905. He also owns his father's old homestead in Slatedale, consisting of a dwelling and two acres of land.

He and family are members of Slatedale Salem Evangelical church, which he served as class leader, trustee, and steward. Cornelius Kern married in 1869, Mary Ann Ferber, daughter of Phoenix and Barbara (Newhard) Ferber. Issue: nine children, viz: Rosa A., married Wesley Breyfogle; Ella J., married Clinton Smith; Irvin P.; Hilbrid E. and five others, who died young. The four children are all residents of Slatedale.

L. Frank Kern, the eldest son of Reuben and Lydia (Ferber) Kern, was born at Slatedale, where he spent his entire life, working in the slate industry, with which he was very familiar. He was an exceptionally able block-maker. He mar-

married to William Kuehner, of Catasauqua. married Polly Ferber, daughter of Pharnius and Barbara (Newhard) Ferber. She is still living at Slatedale. Issue: Agnes; Malinda; Oliver F., of whom below; Landis P.; Lizzie; Charles J., of whom below; Hattie, and Jennie Kern.

OLIVER F. KERN, the eldest son of L. Frank and Polly (Ferber) Kern, a successful slate operator and president of the Royal Blue Slate Co., Slatedale, was born June 4, 1869, at Slatedale, where he resides. When a mere lad of eight years of age, he began working in the slate industry. At the age of nineteen he became quarry foreman of the Empire Slate Company, holding this position for six years. In 1899 he became one of the organizers of the Royal Blue Slate Company, which employs a large force of men.

Mr. Kern is one of the thoroughly conversant men of the slate region, and richly merits the success he has achieved, by hard, honest, toil and by the concentration of all his energy to the business in which he grew up. He is connected with both the Highland Slate Co., and the Royal Blue Stone Co., of Slatedale. Socially he has membership in the P. O. S. of A., and the Jr. O. U. A. M. He and family worship in the Salem Evangelical church at Slatedale. He is one of the pillars of this church, and has served as trustee, steward and Sunday school superintendent, being active in all departments of the church. Oliver F. Kern married, August 20, 1894, Louisa Leibenguth, daughter of Charles and Priscilla (Gabel) Leibenguth, of Mauch Chunk. No issue. Mr. Leibenguth was a veteran of the Civil War.

Charles J. Kern, the youngest son of L. Frank and Polly (Ferber) Kern, was born in 1877 at Slatedale. At the youthful age of nine years he began work in the slate industry. In 1899 he removed to Allentown. In 1901 he became proprietor of the "Slatedale House," conducting it for eight years. He then purchased the Lloyd's Hotel in Washington township, which he now conducts.

He married in 1909, Clara Miller, of Heidelberg township.

Jeremiah F. Kern, son of Frank W. and Elementa C. (Remaly) Kern, was born Feb. 12, 1874, in Washington township. He was educated in the public schools, and assisted with the farm work, up to the age of fifteen years, when he began working in a slate factory, which made slate black-boards. He continued here until 1903, when he removed to Allentown, where he follows clerical work. He holds membership in the P. O. S. of A., of Slatington. The Eagles and Liberty Fire Company, No. 5, of Allentown.

Jeremiah F. Kern married (first), Cora L.

Geiger, who died May 28, 1903. Issue, Elwood J.

Jeremiah F. Kern married (second), April 10, 1909, Miss Lillie E. Hahn, of Northampton, Pa.

FRANK W. KERN, son of Reuben and Rachel (Kern) Kern, was born Dec. 2, 1849, near Hoffmans, on the farm where he has always lived, having succeeded to the homestead. He attended school in the old schoolhouse at Friedens church. He first worked in the slate quarry for about ten years. In 1884 he began cultivating the homestead, where he now resides. He and family are members of Friedens Reformed church.

Frank W. Kern married (first), Feb. 1, 1873, Elementa C. Remaly, born July 13, 1855, died July 6, 1881. They have one son, Jeremiah J. Kern, of Allentown.

Frank W. Kern married (second), Nov. 3, 1883, Sarah A. Zellner, daughter of Tilghman and Eliza Ann (Crassley) Zellner. They have seven children: Annie, married Frank Rex. Issue (1) Norman, deceased; and Stanley A., and Elva Rex. (2) James M., born Nov. 10, 1885, married Cora Remaly. Issue: Warren J., and Stuart F. Kern. (3) Emma, married George Schellhammer, of Hoffmans. Issue: Florence E. and Pauline A. (4) Francis T. (5) Harvey Reuben. (6) William H. (7) Esther Sarah Kern.

To John Kern, son of Johannes, and his wife, Hannah Gunkel, of Slatedale, were born eleven children: Nathan; Levi; Henry; John; Amanda, married to a Mr. Gruber; Rebecca, married to Thomas Benninger; Julia, married to Aaron Schaeffer; Elisabeth, married to Jonas Hausman; Lydia, married to J. Kerschner; Amelia, married to John Deibert; and Mary, married, first, to William Zellner, second, to Lewis Hanke. Lewis Kern, son of Johannes, was born August 19, 1827, and was married to Matilda Fenstermaker, a daughter of John and Susanna (Revert) Fenstermaker. They resided at Friedensville, and reared a family of seven children. They are Erasmus, John, Charles, Alice, Louisa, Martha, and Catherine. Louisa was married to Theodore Guth, who was born in Salisbury township, April 20, 1851, and died at Northampton, August 2, 1911. To them were born five children: Raymond, stationary engineer, married to Quilla Woodring; Theodore, and Marcus, both of whom died in infancy; Katie, deceased, was married to James Anthony; and Carrie, married to William Kuehner, of Catasauqua.

#### KERN FAMILY (WHITEHALL).

George Kern, a native of Switzerland, ancestor of this family, arrived at Philadelphia on the ship St. Andrew, from Rotterdam, last from



Cowes, with 450 passengers, among whom were the ancestors of the Newhard, Kleppinger, Erdman, Beil, Linn and Leibenguth families, on Sept. 26, 1737. On the same day he took the oath of allegiance to the King of England before Judges James Logan, Clement Plumsted, Ralph Asheton, and William Allen. He settled in Whitehall township soon after his arrival as his name is mentioned in the Egypt church records as early as 1739. He was accompanied by his wife, Catharine Elizabeth, and his eldest son, George Jacob Kern. Tradition states that a child was born on the voyage. The land which George Kern secured was warranted on October 28th, and surveyed Nov. 14, 1737, to John Reinberry, described as located on "Indian Copelin's creek, in Bucks county." It was bounded on the north by Jacob Kohler's land, and through it flowed the Coplay creek. On Feb. 1, 1743, with Frederick Newhard, he secured a warrant for a tract of 406 acres and on Nov. 30, 1744, the land was divided, each securing 203 acres. Frederick Newhard subsequently sold his land to Adam Deshler, who erected Fort Deshler in 1760.

The greater part of this land is now owned by a cement company. George Kern received a patent for his land on Aug. 7, 1750, and secured another tract of twenty-five acres. In 1752, he was one of the petitioners for the establishment of Whitehall township. He was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation and in 1742 baptized a number of children there in the absence of a pastor. In the earlier years of its history the congregation worshipped in his house. On April 15, 1763, he deeded the greater part of his land to his son, George Jacob Kern.

George Kern and his wife, Catharine Elizabeth had, so far as is known, four children: George Jacob Kern, Catharine Elizabeth, Christopher, and Peter.

Catharine Elizabeth Kern was born in Whitehall, May 15, 1741. She was baptized July 28, 1741, when her sponsors were Peter Troxell, Roland Schmidt, Mary Barbara Newhard and Lucé Flickinger. She married, May 1, 1759, Philip Jacob Schreiber, and died Nov. 3, 1819.

George Jacob Kern, eldest son of George Kern, was born about 1725 and came to America with his parents in 1737. The earliest mention of him is on July 28, 1741, where in the Egypt Reformed church records, "Georg Jacob, son of Georg Kern," was a sponsor at the baptism of George Jacob Schneider. In 1752, the names of himself and wife appear as sponsors, showing that he was then married. His wife, Mary Margaret, was probably a Troxell.

George Jacob Kern was naturalized April 10, 1755. He added to his lands and by 1768, as the

tax lists indicates, he was the owner of 300 acres of land, of which 80 acres was cultivated, four horses, four cows and six sheep. He was one of the leading farmers of Egypt and vicinity and a prominent member of the Reformed congregation. In 1767, Peter Burkhalter and George Jacob Kern were the largest contributors to the purchase of a house and six acres of land for a parsonage, each giving £4, and in 1785, George Jacob Kern contributed £22 to the new church building.

George Jacob and Mary Margaret Kern had these children: Jacob, Jr.; John; Daniel; Elizabeth; Nicholas; Magdalena; Susanna, wife of Peter Kohler; Henry; and Michael.

Jacob Kern, Jr., and his wife, Gertrude, had a son, Jonathan. Daniel Kern, born in 1758, and his wife, Magdalena, had sons: Jesse, born in 1785; and Daniel, born in 1791.

Michael Kern, born Feb. 21, 1774, died Nov. 20, 1850, had at least three children: James; Lydia, born March 8, 1800; and Mary Magdalena, born Nov. 5, 1803, died Jan. 27, 1842, who married, in 1831, Dr. William Kohler, of Egypt.

James Kern, born Oct. 5, 1798, died Feb. 3, 1860, married Maria Walbert, born March 3, 1804, died June 10, 1855. They had six sons and four daughters: Tilghman; William; Charles; James; Henry; Willoughby; Adeline, wife of Edward Laubach; Susanna, wife of Joel Snyder, Mary Ann, wife of Henry Woodring; and Eliza Ann, wife of Henry Lentz.

James Kern, Jr., was born Jan. 10, 1837, and died April 17, 1912. He was united in marriage with Matilda Miller, born at Neffs, Pa., Feb. 15, 1841, and died Feb. 19, 1896. Both are buried on the Union cemetery at Neffs, Pa. James Kern was a bricklayer by trade. For many years he had a force of bricklayers and plasterers, who built the majority of all the substantial brick buildings, dwelling-houses, school-houses, and churches which to-day stand in the upper section of Lehigh county, not including Slatington. Mr. Kern was widely known as a business man of reliable qualities. He had a family of thirteen children. Two died in infancy; four died in young manhood and womanhood; seven survive at this writing. They are as follows:

1. Milton Kern, a carpenter, is married to Sadie Shaller, and lives in West Bethlehem, Pa. No children.

2. Oscar Kern, a bricklayer, lives at Cata-sauqua. He is unmarried.

3. Robert M. Kern, a minister of the Reformed Church, living at Allentown, is married to Mary Alice Long, daughter of James W. Long. They have two sons: Paul James, and Joseph Long Kern.

4. Howard F. Kern, a miller by trade, is a farmer at Neffs, Pa.; is married to Mary Urias. Their eight children follow: Frederick, Charles, George, Bertha, Morris, Miriam, Albert, and Minnie.

5. Maggie is married to Calvin Ritter. They live on the old homestead at Neffs, Pa. They have no children.

6. Mabel is married to Mervin Heberly, living at Allentown. They have a son, William James.

7. Cora is married to Edwin Lauchuer, and they live on a farm near Neffs, Pa. Their children are: Marguerite, Grace, and Charles.

8. Annie died March 20, 1908; was married to Nathaniel Klotz. These children survive: Paul and Martus Klotz.

Matilda Kern, wife of James Kern, was the daughter of Stephen Miller and his wife, Katie, *nee* Creitz. She was born at Neffs, Pa. Stephen Miller was for many years a prosperous farmer at Neffs, in North Whitehall township where he also conducted a brick manufacturing establishment for a long period of time. He had three children: Sarah, Matilda, and John. Sarah was married to Francis Ringer, of Slatington. Died June 20, 1905. Matilda, was married to James Kern, Nov. 16, 1861, and died Feb. 19, 1896. John was married to Amelia Smith and they now reside with their daughter at the Rising Sun hotel, Lehigh county, Pa., owned and conducted by their son-in-law, Harvey Rabert.

#### REV. ROBERT MILLER KERN.

Robert Miller Kern is the son of James Kern and his wife, Matilda, *nee* Miller. He was born at Neffs, Lehigh county, Pa., January 21, 1873; was baptized in his infancy by the Rev. J. S. Renninger, and confirmed in his youth by the late Rev. E. J. Fogel, D.D.

Mr. Kern is a typical Lehigh countian himself, and both parents being natives of Lehigh. But for ten years, while teaching or attending school, he has always lived in the county. He laid the foundations of his physical strength while working on Lehigh county soil. As a boy he served as a carrier at the brick yards, his summer vacations he spent on the hay and harvest fields in his home community.

His early religious training he traces back to a pious parentage, a good Christian home, however humble. As a child he was led to church and Sunday school at the Union church, where at the time the Rev. J. S. Renninger preached to the Lutheran and the late Rev. E. J. Fogel, D.D., ministered to the Reformed wing of the

congregation. Here he was inspired to enter upon the calling into which the Lord subsequently led him. The desire to enter the Christian ministry he cherished in his boyhood days although he had not the slightest idea of how such a dream could become a reality in the light of the disadvantages under which a country boy labors without means. Mr. Kern looks back to the Union church with the feeling of profoundest gratitude for the spiritual uplift which she proved to be to him in his early boyhood days.

Mr. Kern laid the foundations of his educational career in the old stone school building that still stands opposite the Union church. His first teacher, Mr. E. D. Rhoads, still lives at this writing. Mr. Rhoads was an all-around handy man in the community, who besides teaching



REV. ROBERT M. KERN.

the public school, being organist, janitor, and sexton of the church, farmed the congregation's farm and often took the place of the pastor in administering comfort at the bed-side of the sick and dying. The public schools at Neff's supplemented by the private "summer school," conducted by J. P. Deibert, prepared Mr. Kern for teaching in the public schools. After teaching a year in Washington township, he continued his studies at the Keystone State Normal School, where he graduated with honors in 1892. He



spent one year as teacher at Bethany Orphans' Home, under the superintendency of the late Rev. Thomas M. Yundt. Mr. Yundt proved a great inspiration and gave Mr. Kern every encouragement to enter the Christian ministry. After another year of preparation at the Keystone State Normal School he entered the Sophomore class at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., where he graduated in 1897, having taken several prizes in debates and oratorical contests. He at once entered the theological seminary, in May, 1900, representing the department of theology on the commencement program. During his senior year in the seminary, he was head librarian of the institution.

During his summer vacation of 1899 he supplied the pulpit at Hummelstown, Pa., and organized a Sunday school and congregation at Packerton, Pa. The newly-organized flock bought and paid for a lot 100 by 200 feet before Mr. Kern left the places.

Mr. Kern was licensed to preach the Gospel by Lehigh Classis of the Reformed Church, at Blandon, Pa., May 16, 1900.

He at once received a call from the newly-organized congregation, known as St. Andrew's Reformed church, Allentown, Pa. The ministers of Allentown urged him strongly to assume this important and promising work. He accepted the call and preached the first sermon to his little flock in the old academy of music Sunday, July 1, 1900. Here he has labored up to date and his history becomes one with that of his church from this time forth. In a word it is only just to say that the congregation numbered fifty-four when he came on the ground. It now is the second largest Reformed congregation in the city, numbering near 1,200. The organization was absolutely without any means, no church, no chapel, not even a lot to build on. It now worships in one of the best equipped, largest, and most substantial stone structures in the city of Allentown. Rev. Kern has infused a missionary zeal into his membership, which stands second to none in the classis when considered the financial ability of the congregation and the comparative youth of the whole organization.

Rev. Robert Miller Kern was united in marriage with Mary Alice Long on Feb. 18, 1906. The ceremony was performed by the uncle of the bride, Rev. S. A. Leinbach, D.D., of Reading, assisted by the late Rev. Ruloff, of Allentown. The wedding took place in St. Andrew's Reformed church, Allentown, on a Sunday morning in connection with the regular German service.

Mrs. Kern was the daughter of James W. Long and his wife, Alice, *nee* Geisinger. She

was born in Bucks county, Durham, Pa., and has one brother, Howard.

Rev. Kern has not only been faithful in his own particular parish, but has manifested a wholesome interest in the general work of the Church. For years he took an active part in the county Sabbath school work, having been the president for three years.

He was one of the founders of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home; was a member of the board of trustees and of its executive committee from the beginning to date. He devoted a great deal of time and attention to this cause.

He ever manifested a devout interest in the proceedings of classis and synod, never shirking duty whenever challenged by either.

Mr. Kern made a trip to Europe during the summer months of 1905. He visited the principal cities of Germany, Switzerland, Austria-Hungary, Italy, France, Holland, Belgium, and England.

William Kern, born Aug. 21, 1827, married Sallie Schneck, and had children: Penrose, David, Benjamin, Milton, C. Elvin, William, Keturah, Priscilla, Francis, and Joseph.

Nicholas Kern, son of George Jacob, was born Dec. 2, 1764, and died Nov. 2, 1819. He received from his father by deed of May 1, 1797, a stone house and tract of 152 acres, part of the original tract, for the sum of £950. He married, Aug. 4, 1789, Catharine Saeger, who was born Jan. 23, 1765, and died Sept. 21, 1861. Their children were:

George Kern, born Sept. 12, 1790, died Jan. 16, 1845. He married Sarah Saeger and had no children.

Joseph Kern, born Jan. 18, 1792, who, with his wife, Hannah, had children: Salome Anna, Magdalena, William, Eli, and Christina. William Kern, born Oct. 8, 1820, removed to Waterloo, N. Y., in 1844, where he was in the coal and lumber business. He died in 1899, leaving two daughters, Mrs. Delight W. Stone, and Mrs. Juliette S. Kern.

Peter Kern, born Sept. 20, 1793, died June 7, 1857. He married Margaret Rebecca Biery, and had children: Floriana, Owen, Mary, David, Sarah, Peter, Henrietta, and Henry Joseph.

Anna Kern, born July 19, 1795, died April 27, 1879, married Jacob Mickley.

William Kern, born April 11, 1797, married Mary Heckman, and removed to the state of New York.

Daniel Kern, born Nov. 18, 1799, who removed to Waterloo, N. Y.

Mary, born May 23, 1802.

Levi, born June 28, 1804.

Catharine, born Aug. 13, 1806, married a Mr. Albright.

Manasses Kern, born Oct. 31, 1809, died March 19, 1892, married Catharine B. Harlan.

Christopher Kern and his wife, Catharine Elizabeth, had children: John, born 1771; Susanna, born 1773; Elizabeth, born 1775; John, born 1776; Magdalena, born 1778; Peter, born 1780; Catharine, born 1782; Jacob, born 1785; Sarah, born 1786; Joseph, born 1788; and Daniel, born 1792.

Peter Kern, son of George, was born in 1748 and died May 28, 1821. He married Catharine Deshler, daughter of Adam Deshler. She was born in 1751 and died Feb. 11, 1825. They are both buried at Hamburg, Pa. Peter Kern settled along the Jordan in 1792, where he purchased a tract of 380 acres, and in 1806 built the grist-mill still standing at Kernsville. In 1785 he contributed £16 to the new church building at Egypt. He had eight children, viz:

Susanna, born Sept. 1, 1771.

Joseph Kern, born Oct. 18, 1773, died Jan. 4, 1826. He married Maria Romig, born Jan. 1, 1782, died March 2, 1847, and purchased a tract of 201 acres from his father in 1813. His children were Moses, Joseph, Mary, Ann, Judith, Salome, Bonaparte, Hanna and Jeremiah.

Jeremiah Kern, son of Joseph, secured the homestead of 100 acres, now owned by Morris Schantz, and located about one-half mile southwest of Siegersville. He was a talented musician and was instructor of the old Siegersville band, and of a band at Hamburg. He was also a noted marksman and hunter and shot thousands of wild pigeons and small game of all kinds. He was deacon and elder in the Reformed church and was a Democrat. He married Helena Moyer and had five children: Sarah, died in May, 1903, wife of Dr. Joseph Weller; Josiah, who married Hannah Sieger; Louisa, died Aug. 21, 1903, wife of Milton, J. Wenner, of East Texas; Elizabeth, wife of Henry Ruch, of Fogelsville; and Henry.

Henry Kern was born on the homestead April 11, 1838, and died Aug. 24, 1903. He enlisted in the Civil War in Co. E, 47th Regiment, on Oct. 27, 1862, and was discharged Oct. 28, 1865, at Charleston, S. C. His discharge described him as 6 ft., 1½ in. tall, fair complexion, blue eyes, black hair, and by occupation a farmer. He was assessor, school director and auditor of South

Whitehall township and was a member of the Jordan Reformed church, where he served as deacon, elder and trustee. He married Amanda Koch and had two children: Samuel J., and Carrie, who married Henry G. Bachman, a farmer, of Lynnville.

SAMUEL J. KERN, of South Whitehall township, was born Sept. 7, 1866. He attended the public schools, and the Millersville State Normal School, and was licensed to teach in 1885 by Prof. J. O. Knauss. He taught first at the Furnace school in Washington township, and taught two terms in that township, two in Whitehall, and fifteen in his native township. For several years he devoted the summer months to concreting and was one of the pioneer cement block manufacturers. He owned the family homestead until 1906, when he sold it and purchased the Tilghman Henninger farm of 103 acres, which he operates. He resides on the Walbert's pike, in the former Henninger residence, the land having been owned by the Henninger family for over 125 years and originally embraced 600 acres.

Mr. Kern is a member of Jordan Reformed church, and served there as deacon and elder. He is a Democrat and was formerly auditor and is now secretary and treasurer of the township supervisors. Since 1908 he has been one of the auditors of the Allentown Trust Company. He is also noted as a marksman. He married, Sept. 20, 1888, Rosa A. A., daughter of Tilghman and Judith (Grim) Henninger, and had two children: Sadie M., who died in her ninth year; and Alma D.

Juliana Kern, born Dec. 19, 1775, married Michael Sieger.

Jonas Kern, born Dec. 31, 1779, died July 2, 1829, married, Jan. 21, 1812, Maria Leisenring. He removed to Hamburg, where his parents later joined him. He had children: Mary; Peter, of Crawford county; Elizabeth; Sarah; Dr. Josiah Kern, of Siegersville, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, class of 1846, born Oct. 1, 1825, died Feb. 19, 1899, who married (first) Mary Stettler, and (second) Caroline Klotz; J. Frank Kern, died June 16, 1903, aged 76 years; John Kern, of Erie; and William Kern, the banker, who married Mary Klein, and had children: Jonas, Albert, and William.

Salome, born April 11, 1784, married a Mr. Herman.

Peter Kern, born July 10, 1786, removed to Hamburg, and later to Philadelphia, where he had a merchant mill on the Schuylkill. He had several children.



Daniel Kern, born Dec. 29, 1788, removed to Hamburg. One of his daughters married Peter Sieger, head of the firm of Sieger, Lamb & Company, in its day one of the largest dry goods houses in Philadelphia, subsequently purchased by John Wanamaker.

Thomas Kern, youngest son of Peter, was born Oct. 31, 1791, and died Nov. 11, 1844. He married Sarah Guth, born Sept. 13, 1792, died Jan. 4, 1855. They had three children: Edward, Owen, and Lavinia, wife of Joseph Wittman.

Edward Kern married (first) Mary Saeger, born 1813, died 1839, and had children: Simon P., Thomas, and Jacob. Simon P. died July 13, 1903, aged 68 years. He had children: Preston, deceased; John; Alice; and Samuel. Jacob Kern married Abigail Hollenbach and had children: Levenus; Lillie, wife of Alfred Fream; Elmer; and a daughter that died young. Thomas is still living in Allentown. Edward Kern married (second) Eliza, daughter of John Gross, and had 14 children, of whom three died in infancy. The eleven surviving were:

William, killed at the battle of Pocatigo, S. C., in 1862.

Sarah, wife of Charles Seiberling, of Essington, Pa.

Edward D., born 1851, formerly of the Eagle and Black Bear hotels, Allentown, now manager of a branch of the Seipp Brewing Company, of Chicago, living at Hammond, Ind., who married Aggie, daughter of Peter Krause.

Ellen, deceased, married William Kress.

George J., of Ambler, married Lydia Acker, and has two sons.

Stephen O., of Allentown.

Emma, married Alfred J. Breinig.

Oliver, who died unmarried.

Peter, died young.

Aggie, married Percival S. Fenstermaker.

Lila, married William Carr, of Chester.

Owen Kern, son of Thomas, was store-keeper at Kernsville for 33 years and postmaster during the war. He was a member of Jordan Reformed church and died in 1874. He married Lovina, daughter of Jonas Miller, and had one child, Milton J. Kern, of Allentown, who has been treasurer of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society since 1903. He is a member of Zion Reformed church. He married Lillie V. Clewell, and has one daughter, Mabel L., who married David Richards, of Slatington. Mrs. Owen Kern subsequently married Solomon Griesemer.

Asa Kern, a stone mason, married Anna, daughter of Thomas Bastian, of Wescosville, and had six children: Helena, wife of James Moore; Moses; Catharine, wife of Addison Wint; Mary,

wife of Jacob Ott; Matilda, wife of Benjamin Boger; and Leanna, wife of Marvin Henninger.

Moses Kern was born at Wescosville, Nov. 29, 1829. He was educated in the local schools and became a stone mason and farmer. On April 3, 1886, he was elected steward of the county almshouse, which position he held until his death, Sept. 23, 1895. He married Mary, daughter of Capt. John Mohr and his wife Adeline Baker. Mrs. Kern died Oct. 21, 1912. They had nine children:

Caroline, married Wilson J. Woodring.

Uriah, whose sons are John and Charles.

Sylvanus J.

Rosa, died in 1885.

Owen, died March 18, 1899, leaving two daughters: Minerva, wife of Albert Diefenderfer; and Ella, wife of Victor Bogert.

Ellen, died Aug. 20, 1896, wife of Harry Heckman.

Laura, died March 14, 1897.

Flora, wife of Morris Miller.

Amanda, died July 20, 1913, wife of Wilson Walbert.

SYLVANUS J. KERN was born near Wescosville, March 21, 1858. He was educated in the South Whitehall schools, Weaversville Academy, Keystone State Normal School, and graduated from the California State Normal School. At the age of 15 he taught school in Lower Macungie township. He was elected justice of the peace in 1885, but resigned the following year to become assistant steward to his father, upon whose death in 1895, he succeeded in the office of steward of the county home. He held the office until April, 1909, when he resigned and moved to Allentown, where he resides at Thirteenth and Walnut streets. He engaged in the building and contracting business and has erected 34 substantial dwellings in the finest residential section of the city. He is a staunch Democrat and has been influential in securing the election of several county officials. He is a member of the Salisbury church Lutheran congregation, and of Macungie Lodge, No. 231, I. O. O. F.; Israel Commandery, Knights of Malta; Cedar Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., Camp No. 55; Golden Eagles; and Wescosville Beneficial Association.

Mr. Kern married, April 6, 1878, Ellen J., daughter of John K. and Elvina (Louer) Laudenslager, and had three children: Jacob J., born Oct. 3, 1878, deputy recorder of deeds, who married Lillie, daughter of William and Abesina (Miller) Poe, and has children: Arthur, Perma, Mabel, and Wayne; Florence, died at the age of three years; and Rosa L., born Sept. 3, 1886, at home.

## KERN FAMILY (SAUCON).

Frederick Kern, of Rockhill township, Bucks county, was born in 1697. He secured warrants for land in the township in 1748 and died Aug. 6, 1772. He and his wife, Anna Margaret, had seven children: Christian, Peter, John, Adam, Elizabeth Barbara, Mary Jacobina, and Mary Helena.

Samuel Kern, of this family, married Katherine Yellis. He was a farmer. Their children were: Henry, of Philadelphia; John, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Abraham, of Smoketown; Samuel Y., of whom below; Jacob; Sarah (Mrs. Daniel Kramer); Katherine, (Mrs. Israel Kline); Amanda, (Mrs. William Frye); and Lydia, (Mrs. Allen Clymer, of Haddonfield, N. J.)

Samuel Y. Kern, son of Samuel and Katherine (Yellis) Kern, was born April 11, 1839, near Quakertown. He attended the public schools and assisted with the farm work, and later learned the trade of carriage-making with Charles Moyer, of Coopersburg. In 1866, he formed a partnership with Jeremiah Swartz, and carried on a general blacksmith business, under the name of Swartz and Kern, in connection with the carriage-making business. The partnership continued for several years, when Mr. Kern purchased his partner's interest, and established the well known carriage works at Main street and Station avenue. He built up a fine trade in special carriages in Philadelphia and adjacent cities, and continued doing an extensive business until his death in 1903. He was the leading spirit in the movement to incorporate Coopersburg into a borough and was a member of the first town council. He was also a member of the school board for several years. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, a member of the I. O. O. F., and the Masonic Order.

The following extract is taken from the resolutions drawn up by Saucon Lodge, F. & A. M., after the death of Mr. Kern. "He was diligent in business always manifesting an active interest in the welfare of the community in which he resided; with a practical devotion to church duties, with a most tender regard for his family and their happiness, a kind-hearted man, whose every effort was exerted for the good of mankind, recognizing the brotherhood of humanity, and the heart that could say, 'I pray, thee, then, write me as one who loved his fellow man.'

He married, Dec. 8, 1860, Emma M. Ulrich, who proved a most worthy helpmeet, and who was permitted to share his joys and sorrows to the last." Their children were: Euphemia; Alice V., of whom below; Ella A.; Harvey F.; Katie E.; and Russell W. Kern.

Euphemia, educated in Coopersburg and the normal school at Quakertown, married Rev. H. J. Hillegass, now at Leacock, Pa. Ella A. was educated in the public schools and at the Moravian Seminary at Bethlehem. She married Dr. Dalton Trumbauer. Harvey F. was educated in the public schools, the College of Commerce, Philadelphia, and at Neff's College of Oratory. He learned the trade of carriage trimming and eventually entered the business with his father, and after his father's death in 1903, succeeded him in business, trading under the name of S. Y. Kern & Son. Of late years he has largely taken up automobile work. Katie E. was educated in the schools of Coopersburg and at the Kutztown State Normal School. She was a teacher for six years at West Bethlehem. She married Rev. William A. Lambert, and died Jan. 22, 1903. Russell W. was educated in the public schools and at Dorney's Business College. He also learned the carriage-making business and is with his brother in Coopersburg.

ALICE V. KERN, second daughter of Samuel Y. and Emma M. (Ulrich) Kern, was born in Coopersburg, and secured a good education in the public schools of Coopersburg; the Students' Resort, in Quakertown; and at the Allentown College for Women, graduating in 1882. She has taught almost continuously since that year in the public schools of Coopersburg and West Bethlehem. She is a member of St. John's Lutheran church and is an active worker therein, has been secretary of the Christian Aid Society since 1895; a teacher of the Ladies' Friendship Bible Class since its organization; is president of the Ladies' Auxiliary and connected with the Good Shepherd Home, of Allentown. She is a graduate of the teacher training department of Bible study, connected with the Sunday school, and for several years held the office of teacher training superintendent of Lehigh county. She is now (1913) teaching at Coopersburg. Miss Kern is a lady of culture and refinement and possesses a pleasing personality.

Early in the Eighteenth century, Henry Kern and three brothers emigrated and settled in Pennsylvania. One of them located in Chester County; one at Germantown; a third in what is now Lehigh county, and the fourth is said to have settled in the South. The name is perpetuated in Kern county, and in Lake Kern in Lower California, and in Kerntown, Va.

Henry Kern located at Germantown, Pa., and there his son, Michael, was born May 4, 1757. The latter settled in Exeter township, Berks county, and there he married Mary Boone, the only daughter of Isaac Boone (the brother of Daniel Boone, the famous hunter, Indian fighter



and pioneer settler of Kentucky). Michael's wife was a Quaker and her marriage was stoutly opposed because she had gone outside of her cult. It seems that Isaac Boone had served the Crown of England, and for his services he received a section of five square miles of land, of his own selection, but Kern had fought against the Crown during the Revolutionary War.

Kern's military record is an enviable one and his four enlistments date from August 1776 to 1781, having been in a number of engagements under different captains. He was in the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. In the latter he was taken a prisoner but escaped, and it is said that while jumping a fence in his escape, the rails were shot from under him. The British, seeing him fall, thought him dead. He remained motionless for a while then crawled under cover. When 87 years old he was pensioned. He died at Exeter in Berks county, February 11, 1850, and is buried at the church at Amityville. The children of Michael and Mary Boone Kern were:

1. Joseph, born ———, settled at Zanesville, Ohio.
2. Samuel, born in 1797.
3. William.
4. Jacob, settled in Ohio or Ind.
5. Dr. Jeremiah born 1801.
6. Josiah, born in 1804.

Samuel Boone Kern, was born in 1797 and married Elizabeth Boone. Their children were: Franklin B. and William B. Franklin B. Kern was born in Exeter township, Berks county and from there he enlisted in 1862, becoming a Sergeant in Capt. Smith's Co. A, 128th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers. In the battle of Chancellorsville, he was taken a prisoner, but escaped; re-enlisted in July, 1863, became Captain of Co. 1, 42nd Regiment Penna. Vol., and was in all the engagements of the Regiment; and on Aug. 12, 1863 he was honorably discharged. He was married to Elizabeth Hahn and they had two children: Mary (wife of Rev. J. B. May, D.D., of Lansford, Pa.) and Sallie (wife of C. M. Steinrock). William B. Kern married Hannah Haws and their children were: John B.; William B.; Amanda Russell; and Elizabeth.

Dr. Jeremiah B. Kern, was born in Exeter township in 1801, and he was married to a Miss Small, of Philadelphia. He was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and became a noted physician. Their children were: William, Henry (served as an artilleryman in the Civil War), Alexander (also served in the Civil War), Adelia, Effinger, Washington, Mary (Combs), and James S. All lived at Philadelphia and all are deceased, except Adelia and James S.

Josiah B. Kern, was born in Exeter township, March 26, 1804, and he died Sept. 27, 1877. He

was married to Susanna Strock in 1824. She was a daughter of Elizabeth (Hyman) Strock, who was born July 18, 1779, and died in June, 1869, aged 90 years, 1 month and a few days. About the year 1862 they moved from Exeter township, Berks county, where all their children were born, to Allentown, Pa. Their children were:

Boone, .....	born	1824;	died	at	Allentown,...	1891
Emeline, .....	"	1825;	"	"	Leesport, ...	1891
Maria, .....	"	1828;	"	"	Reading, ...	1910
Josiah S., ....	"	1831;	"	"	Allentown ..	1902
Samuel, .....	"	1833;	"	"	Allentown, ..	1887
Charles, S., ..	"	1838;	"	"	Reading, ....	1909
Elizabeth, ...	"	1838;	"	"	Living.	
Sarah Ann, ..	"	1841;	"	"	Pottsville, ...	1889
Harrison, ....	"	1843;	"	"	Allentown, ..	1895
James P., ....	"	1846;	"	"	Pottsville, ...	1881
Daniel S., ....	"	1850;	"	"	Living.	

Boone Kern located at Allentown during the sixties. He was married to Leah Baum and their children were: Thomas, Sarah, Amelia, Ida, Emma, Mary and Louisa.

Emeline Kern, married Austin Lee and their children were: Irwin of Philadelphia, and Annie (Blackwood).

Maria Kern married John Baum of Reading. Their children were: Anna, Jeremiah, Mary, Jerome, Susan, Margaret, Sarah, Charles, John, Emma, William and Letitia. They reside at Allentown and Reading.

Josiah S. Kern, was born Sept. 24, 1831. He was married to Amilia Weidenhammer, of Leesport, Berks county, and in 1863 they settled at Allentown, where he became a noted contractor and builder. He was prominent in municipal affairs, serving as a common councilman for six years, as a select councilman for three years, (chairman of the latter body during the administration of Mayor E. M. Young). He was one of the founders of the Calvary M. E. church, serving the Sunday school as superintendent for many years. He was a devoted member of the church and the Sunday school until his death. He was enlisted in Company G, 42d Regiment of Penna. Vol. Captain Haines Co., enlisted July 6, 1863, discharged Aug. 2, 1863. He was killed in a railroad accident Sept. 24, 1892, at Freemansburg, Northampton county, Pa. Their children were: George H. (who has spent much of his time between Allentown, Pa., and Ocean Grove, N. J., is married to Mary Focht, daughter of Willoughby Focht, and has two children, Herbert H., and Gertrude Kern, of Allentown); Howard E., (mentioned later); Willis Jerome, (deceased); William A. (mentioned later); Mary E., of Allentown; Walter and Carrie (twins, died in early life); Nelson E. (married Ermine Keat); and Martha M. (married Herbert Hardenstein, of Allentown).

Samuel Kern married Catharine Breidenstein and during the sixties they located at Allentown. Their children were: Medora, Charles, Rosa, Mary, Llewellyn, Ada, Lillie and Grant. They all reside in and surrounding Allentown.

Charles S. Kern was married to Elizabeth Lenhart and died at Reading in 1909. He was a soldier in the Civil War and a prominent member of the Grand Army. Their children were: Samuel, Claude, Ellsworth, Mary, Morris, Harry, John and Kate. Upon his wife's decease he was married to Lucy Kern and they had two children: Annabelle and Helen.

Elizabeth Kern married Hiram Parker and they also located at Allentown during the sixties. Their children were: Sarah, James, Charles, Harrison, Charles 2nd, Annie, Mary, Hattie and Lillie. With the exception of James, of Quakertown, Pa., they all reside at Allentown.

Sarah Ann married to Aaron Boyer, of Leesport, and their children were Aaron, Hester and Kate. After the death of Mr. Boyer, his widow married John Phillips, of Pottsville, and their two sons (George and John) reside at Allentown.

Harrison Kern, born in Exeter township, Berks county, Aug. 31, 1843, died at Allentown, March 18, 1895, having located in that city in 1863. He was a soldier in the Civil War. His wife was Abbie Van Dyke, and they had two children, Ida and Edward, both residents of Allentown.

James Polk Kern, was a soldier in the Civil War. He was killed in a railroad accident at Pottsville, Pa. He was married to Lucy Groff, of Allentown, and they had four children: Kate, Edward, Jane and Arthur.

Daniel S. Kern, came to Allentown with his parents and there he married Mary Butz. Their children are: Amy, Harvey, Hattie, Laura, Charles, Frederick, Mabel, Alice, Emma Cora, Clara and one who died small.

HOWARD E. KERN, a business man of Allentown, was born August 29, 1859, at Leesport, Berks county, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of Allentown. Later he took the four years' conference course of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was granted a local preacher's license in 1891. He was ordained as a local deacon at the Conference at Germantown, in 1895, by Bishop C. Foss, D.D., and was ordained as an elder by Bishop H. Nainde, D.D., LL.D., at the Conference at Manayunk, in 1899. He has been active in church and Sunday school work from his youth until now. He has served as a Sunday school superintendent for more than a quarter of a century; and since the year 1890 the Calvary M. E. Church Sunday school. He has served his church most faithfully for many years.

He was choir leader and organist of the Calvary M. E. Church for 16 years; has been active in charitable and beneficial societies; in early life was a member of the Charles Massey Cadets and afterward served the Sons of Temperance in its various offices until he became Grand Division officer; was one of the first members of the Sons of Veterans, (Camp James A. Garfield), in which he won a gold badge for getting the most recruits within a given time, some of them from Bethlehem, who became the nucleus of the Bethlehem Division. The exemplary and simple life of Mr. Kern has been an inspiration to many whose early training was so different from that of his own.

Mr. Kern grew up amongst his father's building operations and at a suitable age was associated with him in his business. The firm continued until his father died in 1902, when he and his brother formed a partnership under the name of Kern and Bro. As such they operated a large planing mill at the corner of Second and Oak Streets until Sept. 1, 1911, when they leased their plant and engaged in the lumber business, planing mill work, paints, roofing, etc. They are large holders of real estate in Allentown, where they are successful business men and enjoy a reputation for honesty and fair dealing which is beyond reproach.

In the year 1910 these brothers erected two handsome residences at 19 and 21 West Street, Howard and his family residing at 19. He was married Dec. 13, 1885 to Mehida V. Stetler, a daughter of Charles and Sarah (Miller) Stetler, of Petersville, Pa. They have two children: Esther Irene, and Miriam Louise.

WILLIAM A. KERN, is the fourth son of Josiah S., and a brother of Howard. He was born March 26, 1863, at Leesport, Berks county, where he was educated in the public schools. At the age of 18 years he entered his father's business and after the latter died, he became one of his successors. In politics he is a Republican and represented the First Ward for twelve consecutive years as a school director. He is an active member of the Calvary Methodist Church, having served as a trustee and steward, and also as a teacher in the Sunday school. He was actively identified with the Sons of Temperance for a number of years; is connected with the K. M. of C., and the P. O. S. of A.

Mr. Kern was married May 12, 1887, to Lizzie S. Miller, who died Sept. 14, 1908, a daughter of Jacob and Rebecca (Jacoby) Miller, and a sister of the Rev. J. P. Miller, of the United Evangelical Church, and they have an only son, George W. H., born Feb. 21, 1881, who married Nov. 24, 1910, Clara Amthor, a daugh-



ter of Rev. A. J. Amthor and Clara (Gregory) Amthor, a Methodist minister stationed at Williamstown, Pa.

Nelson E. Kern, the fifth son of Joshua S., was born Oct. 15, 1870, at Allentown, and there he attended the city schools, and later he was graduated in architecture from the Correspondence School of Scranton, Pa. He was a member of Kern Brothers, for four years. On July 25, 1911, he succeeded J. E. Sensenbach in the retail coal business with offices and yard at 222 Hamilton Street. He is one of the trustees of the Calvary Methodist church and is most active in Sunday school work. He was married Oct. 31, 1899, to Ermine Rowlands Keat, born Dec. 5, 1873, at Delabole, Northampton county, Pa., a daughter of Frank and Jane (Rowlands) Keat, of England. Mrs. Keat is a native of Wales.

The following interesting letter from U. S. Senator, Hon. John W. Kern, of Indiana, is added as a conclusion to the foregoing sketch because it embraces valuable information relating to this family.

UNITED STATES SENATE,

Washington, D. C., January 25, 1912.

MR. WM. J. DIETRICH,  
Allentown, Pa.

MY DEAR SIR:—I have read with much interest your recent letter. It gives me pleasure to give you as full information as I have respecting my ancestry.

My great-grandfather was Adam Kern, who came to this country from Germany before the Revolutionary War. I assume that it was twenty or twenty-five years before that war, because my grandfather, Jacob Kern, who was one of his younger sons was born during the revolutionary period.

Adam Kern, with two brothers, first settled in Pennsylvania, but afterwards migrated to Virginia, where he laid out the little village of Kernstown four miles from Winchester. The other brothers remained in Pennsylvania. I do not know their names. My grandfather, Jacob Kern, was born at Kernstown, but my father, Jacob H. Kern, was born in Shenandoah county, Virginia, in 1813.

Adam, Nicholas, Jacob and John, were family names. Adam Kern had sons thus named, and my father's brothers—all older than he—were named Henry, Isaac, Nicholas and John. I have no doubt but that the Pennsylvania Kerns are descendants of my great-grandfather's brothers. The similarity in the family names would indicate this.

Josiah Quincy Kern, of this city (1825 F. St., N. W.), has for many years studied the genealogy of the Kern family. He is an old man, long in the government service, and corresponded for many years with my father, before the latter's death in 1900. I believe that Joseph Quincy is of Pennsylvania stock, though he came here from Ohio.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

JNO. W. KERN.

THOMAS C. KERNAHEN.

Thomas Christie Kernahen, father of Mrs. D. D. Roper, was born in Belfast, Ireland, May 24, 1822. He emigrated to America April, 1843, and located in Philadelphia where for some years he held a position as draftsman of steam-engines.

In 1857 he removed to Allentown and opposite the Court House opened the first queensware and glassware store. The success of the new enterprise required a larger building, and he bought and occupied the site now occupied by Zollinger, Harned & Co. He retired from business in 1870, and later returned to Philadelphia, where he became interested in the real estate business. In 1879 he pursued the study of theology and was a supply minister in city missions. In 1888, ill health induced him to go to Los Angeles, California, and later to Pomona, where he invested in olive and orange groves. In 1897 he erected a sanitarium in Pomona. He died April 18, 1898.

He was married October, 1849, to Mary E. Shafer, then living in Philadelphia. They had nine children, a son and eight daughters, Mrs. D. D. Roper being the eldest.

KERSCHNER FAMILY.

The earliest records of the Kerschner family ascertainable, is that there were two brothers, Conrad and George, and a sister, Dinah. Whatever the name of the father of these had been, he undoubtedly emigrated to America. The aforesaid Conrad had been married to Betsy Troxell. Dinah was married to Henry Knipe. George Kerschner had been married to Maria Roth, a daughter of John Roth and his wife Eva Catharine Heberly, of Whitehall township. The children of George and Mary (Roth) Kerschner were: Mary, who died at the age of sixty; Hannah, m. to Reuben Faust; Charles, Daniel, who had served in the Civil War; Reuben, m. to Kate Werley, of Wenersville, and George, m. to Eliza Kratzer who had a family of thirteen children. George Kerschner, Sr., died about 1871 or 1872.

Charles Kerschner, son of George, was born in Wenersville (now Eckerts), Pa. After his public schooling, he learned the trade of blacksmith, which he followed all his lifetime to within a few years of his death. He was a particularly warm friend of the public schools. Politically, he was a republican and a member of the Jordan Reformed Church. He married Julia Ann, daughter of George Weida, the issue being: Mary Ann, deceased wife of Milton Gross; Rev. J. George, m. to Pruella E. Benner, of Mahanoy City, Pa.; Ammon, who died in infancy; Charles

A., Velara, who died in infancy; Julia, m. to Richard Fenstermacher, of Allentown; Daniel J., Emma I., m. to William Lentz, of Allentown; Henry W., deceased, m. to Jennie Schweyer; Wilson R., m. to Mary Glace, of New York City.

Rev. Charles A. Kerschner, son of Charles and Julia A. (Weida) Kerschner, was born Dec. 31, 1860, at Rothrocksville (Maxatawny), Berks county, Pa. He attended the public school to the age of 16. During the year 1878-79, he attended the Preparatory School of Muhlenberg College at Allentown. For twelve years he taught school at various places in Upper Macungie, North Whitehall and South Whitehall townships. Then he returned to the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown and prepared for college, entering Muhlenberg in the fall of 1890, where he took a special course. In the fall of 1892 he entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, Phila., from which he graduated in the spring of 1895. Being ordained to the office of the ministry by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania in the same year. He assumed charge of the Palmyra parish, residing at Hegins, Pa. Here he labored successfully for six years, when he was called to the Conyngham parish in Luzerne county. Continuing here for the same period of time, he then was called to assume the charge of St. Mark's Lutheran congregation at South Allentown and Lehigh Church near Alburdis, Pa., which congregation had just been constituted into a parish, where he successfully labored ever since. He had been the English secretary of the Wilkes-Barre Conference, and also wrote a history of the Palmyra parish. On Dec. 13, 1883, he was married to Sarah A., daughter of Moses and Mary A. (Rex) Klotz, the issue being Maude J., who graduated from the Keystone State Normal in 1903 and taught school for a number of years. She married Clarence Ruloff and they have a son, Charles Franklin. Rev. Kerschner resides at 27 N. 14th St., Allentown.

DANIEL J. KERSCHNER, a member of the firm of Kuhns and Kerschner, and son of Charles and Julia (Weida) Kerschner, was born at Rothrocksville, Berks county, Pa., June 15, 1864. Being educated in the public schools he began to teach at the age of seventeen and taught for twelve terms in Lehigh county. In 1887, he became a clerk in Koch and Shankweiler's Clothing store. In the meantime he learned the cutting trade, assuming afterwards charge of the cutting department for eight years. After that time, he became associated with Sauerwein and Kuhns under the name of Sauerwein, Kuhns and Kerschner. This firm continued until the re-

tirement of Mr. Sauerwein. He is a member of the K. G. E., I. O. O. F., Red Men, and J. O. U. A. M. as well as of the Lutheran Church. He was first married to Maggie, daughter of Willoughby Koch. She died in 1900, the issue having been:

Minnie M., Hattie J., Emily E., Mary E., and Charles W. He was married a second time to Minerva, daughter of Hiram Ritter, of Emaus, from which there is no issue. He resides on N. 14th St., Allentown, Pa.

#### KERSCHNER FAMILY.

Conrad Kerschner was a pioneer of Berks county, Pennsylvania. It appears that he had first located to the west of the Schuylkill river in Bern township, but, about the time of the organization of Berks county, in 1752, he settled in the territory east of the river, in Windsor (now Perry) township where he paid a Federal tax of sixteen pounds in 1759. The following year, in 1760, the purpose to build a church in that neighborhood was agitated, and Conrad Kerschner made a journey to Philadelphia to secure a donation of land from the Penns for church purposes. He was successful in obtaining a grant of forty acres, and on this there was built the first Zion's church in 1761. Among his children were: Peter Kerschner (born in 1749); Conrad Kerschner, Jr. (born about 1751); and Philippine Kerschner (who was born Sept. 20, 1753, and on Jan. 23, 1779, married Michael Fenstermacher of Lynn township, and died March 22, 1837, aged 83 years, 6 months and 2 days). They were married for more than 58 years and always lived in Lynn township. The sons, Peter and Conrad Kerschner also settled in Lynn. Peter died there and is buried on the old graveyard at New Tripoli, Pa. The inscription upon his tombstone follows:

PETER KERCHNER  
Geboren Den  
9 tag abbrill 1749  
und is altworde  
63 Jahre

He is said to have had a son, Conrad, who was married to Barbara Fenstermacher, and he died prior to 1831. The following shared in the distribution of the estate of Michael Fenstermacher, their grandfather: John, Elias, Gideon, Daniel, David, Mathias, Jeremiah, Salome Catharine and Asa.

Conrad Kerschner, Jr., was a resident in Lynn and he occupied the mill property west of New Tripoli, which is now owned by Sylvanus Oswald. He erected the first grist and



saw mill at that place. Among his children was a son, Philip.

Philip Kerschner, son of Conrad, was born February 18, 1783, and he died December 25, 1855, upon his farm, now the property of Wilmer Brobst. His homestead contained upwards of 100 acres and embraced the farm of Menno Scheetz. He was a weaver by trade and he taught this trade to his son, Philip. He and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of Ebenezer church, at New Tripoli, and here he, his wife and several generations of the family were buried. He served the church as a deacon and elder.

His wife was Catharine Kistler, born February 11, 1788, and died Mary 27, 1843, aged 52 years. Their children were: Jacob (farmer in the township along the Blue Mountain), Polly (m. Lewis Hosfelt), Philip, John (farmer in Weisenberg, succeeded by his son Albert), William (farmer in Heidelberg), Catharine (m. Jonas Koenig), and Daniel K.

Philip Kerschner, the second son of Philip, was born in Lynn township December 25, 1815. He had a 48-acre farm near New Tripoli, which he operated in connection with his trade of weaver. He was a Reformed member of the Ebenezer church which he served as a deacon and elder; and he and his wife were buried there.

His wife was Catharine Werley, and they had five children: Jonas (deceased), Levi. Catharine (m. 1st, David Schitz, and 2nd, Jesse Weaver), Lucy (m. Amandus Oswald of Freeland), and Amanda (who lived on the homestead and died there Dec. 30, 1912, aged 54 years, 6 months and 18 days).

Daniel Kerschner, the youngest son of Philip, an aged resident of Lynn township, was born July 24, 1829. When seventeen years old he learned the blacksmith trade at Lynnport, and he followed this regularly until 1868; afterward he devoted some of his time to the cultivation of his 50-acre farm, situated one and a half miles west of New Tripoli, and for more than forty years he followed this double vocation. He has always been a Democrat. He officiated as a school director and supervisor. He is a Reformed member of Ebenezer church, which he served as a deacon and elder for ten years.

In 1851 he was married to Lydia Weaver, daughter of Daniel and Polly (Hartman) Weaver, who was born February 19, 1831, and died ——. Their children were: Franklin, Carolina (m. Daniel Klingaman), Albert (died young, Missouri (m. Lewis Follweiler), Mary (m. Amandus Leiby), Polly (m. Aaron A. Moyer), and James M. (m. Ada Smith).

Levi Kerschner, son of Philip, carpet weaver near New Tripoli, was born in Lynn township October 28, 1846, and died in 1913. At the age of twenty years he learned the weaving trade from his father, and he has followed it in his native township until the present time, weaving both linen and woolen goods. He and the family worship in the Ebenezer church, and are members of the Reformed congregation, which he served as a deacon. On May 16, 1869, he married Jane Amanda, a daughter of Philip Fenstermacher, who was born October 7, 1846, and died February 10, 1889. Their children were: James L., and Lena V. (who died in infancy).

FRANKLIN KERSCHNER, eldest son of Daniel K., of New Tripoli, is a native of Lynn township, where he was born February 6, 1853. He worked upon the farm until he was nineteen years old, then learned the blacksmith trade at Leighton, and carried it on in that town for 15 years, having been also engaged in the wheelwright business for the last several years. He sold his establishment in 1886, and located at New Tripoli, where he has resided in the house which he purchased and carried on an extensive blacksmith and general repair business. He has always had apprentices, having taught the trade to many young men. He is a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, of which he is a past officer; also the Knights of the Golden Eagle.

He was married July 7, 1880, to Amanda, daughter of Phaon and Luzetta (Bower) Clauss of Leighton, and they have five children: Luelia (died July 28, 1905, aged 24 years), Annie (m. Oliver J. Sittler), Robert C., Ruth M. (died young), and Mattie A.

JAMES L. KERSCHNER, son of Levi, of New Tripoli, is one of the school teachers of Lynn township, where he was born February 21, 1871. He received his education in the township schools and also in the summer normal schools of his district, and when eighteen years old he was licensed to teach in the public schools of the county. Since 1889 he has taught each succeeding school term in Lynn township, with one exception. He holds a State teachers' permanent certificate.

Prof. Kerschner has taken an active interest in Democratic politics, having officiated as township auditor, and served for many years as one of the election officers of the precinct. He is a member of the J. O. U. A. M., of New Tripoli; also of the I. O. O. F., of Steinsville, and of the Encampment at Jordan, P. O.

He and the family are Reformed members of the Ebenezer church, and for four years he

served the congregation as a deacon. On January 28, 1893, he was married to Jennie A. Long, daughter of William and Susanna (Everett) Long, both of Lynn township, and they have one daughter, Minnie E. Her father died in August, 1891, aged 59 years; and her mother on September 3, 1911, aged nearly 79 years.

#### KICHLINE FAMILY.

The Kichline family is one of the oldest in the eastern part of the State of Pennsylvania. The name was originally written Kächline, and later generations changed the form to Kichline and Kechline, the former variation being most frequently used.

John Peter Kächline, a resident of Heidelberg, Germany, emigrated to this country, arriving Sept. 21, 1742, and settling in Bedminster, Bucks county, Pennsylvania, in the same year.

Colonel Peter Kächline, son of John Peter Kächline, was born in Germany, October 8, 1722, and died on the farm of his son Peter, about two miles west of Easton, Pennsylvania. He was one of the trustees to take charge of the funds subscribed in England for the education of the poor in Pennsylvania. The first school house was built by subscription, his name being the second on the list. The building was finished in 1755, and was the first free school in Pennsylvania. Dec. 21, 1774; the Freeholders and Freemen of Northampton county, held a meeting in the court house, at which Peter Kächline was chosen one of the judges of election and also a member of the committee of safety. Jan. 9, 1775, he was elected a representative for the provincial convention to be held at Philadelphia, Jan. 23, 1775. The committee of safety met at Easton, Oct. 3, 1775, and the officers from all the townships were present. The county was divided into four districts, over seven hundred men constituting the First Battalion, and Peter Kächline was elected colonel of this. Later he was appointed lieutenant-colonel of the "Flying Camp." That this body of soldiers was engaged at the battle of Brooklyn is attested by the report of the British commander who wrote, after this engagement, "General Grant was killed by Kächline's Riflemen." Colonel Kächline was wounded and taken prisoner, while his son, Lieutenant Peter Kächline, who fought in the same company, was mustered into line, unharmed after the battle, at Elizabeth, New Jersey. In April, 1780, Colonel Peter Kächline resigned his commission in the army, and retired to civil life. From 1764 to 1772 he served as sheriff of Northampton county. He erected the first grist mills on the Bushkill. The act of incorporation was

passed, Sept. 23, 1789, and section third designates Peter Kächline as chief burgess, and he died while still in this office, Nov. 27, 1789. Colonel Peter Kächline married (first) Margretta Umbehen, born Dec. 10, 1746, died Feb. 20, 1776. He married (second) ——— Dolan, born Dec. 2, 1746, died March 22, 1783. Among his children were, as we learn from his will, the following: Peter, of further mention; Andrew; Susanna; Jacob, whose descendants reside in Pennsylvania and New Jersey; Elizabeth, married Peter Ihrie, and had a son: General Peter Ihrie. Andrew Kächline, a brother of Colonel Peter Kächline, returned to Europe and became a distinguished general there.

Lieutenant Peter Kächline, son of Colonel Peter Kächline, served bravely in the War of the Revolution, as mentioned above. He built a substantial stone house in 1794, known as the Fountain House, because of a clear spring on the grounds. A huge stone near the apex has carved on it: "P. K., 1794." He served in Captain Arndt's company at the battle of Brooklyn. He was the father of: Jacob; David; Peter, of further mention; Michael; John; and Elizabeth Ackerman.

Peter Kichline married Susan Sourbeck.

William David, son of Peter and Susan (Sourbeck) Kichline, was born in Salisbury township, July 19, 1821, and died in 1878. He was educated in the public schools and learned the trade of milling. Subsequently he purchased a large farm on the Little Lehigh and Jordan rivers, cultivated this, but devoted the greater part of his time and attention to teaming, hauling iron ore from the furnaces. He was a very progressive citizen and a man of influence in the community. His religious membership was with the Reformed Church. Mr. Kichline married Sophia, born in 1818, died in 1898, a daughter of Adam and Anna Kline, and they had children: Mary R.; Milton, born 1846, died 1902, married Amanda Snyder; Alfred, born July 25, 1848, lives with his sister, Mary R., was graduated from Muhlenberg College and is a carpenter; Annie, a teacher, died in 1887; Ella, died in 1888; Alice, married E. S. Pardee, died in 1906; Carrie, was graduated from the Allentown schools, is a teacher in the Livingston School of Allentown, and lives with Mary R.

Samuel Peter Kichline married Clarissa Eckspellen.

Oscar Jacob, son of Samuel Peter and Clarissa (Eckspellen) Kichline, was born in Salisbury township, January 24, 1855; was educated in the public schools, Muhlenberg College and





OSCAR J. KICHLINE.





the Allentown Business College, from which he was graduated in 1872. In 1873 he became the ticket agent for the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company, at Allentown, and continued in this office until 1901, at which time he engaged in the grocery business at Allentown, at No. 442 Lehigh street, and continued in the business up to the time of his death, Sept. 5, 1913, aged 58 years, 7 months and 22 days. He had been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows since 1876, had attained a high degree in the Masonic fraternity, and was affiliated with several other orders. In political opinion he was a staunch Republican, was a delegate to state conventions, and active in the interests of his party. A member of St. John's Reformed church he was for a number of years active in church and Sunday school work. Mr. Kichline married, Dec. 14, 1910, Minerva H., a daughter of Dr. Henry S. and Emily (Hartman) Clemens, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this volume.

James B. Kichline was born in Forks township, Northampton county, was a farmer during the active years of his life, and now resides with his son. He married Emily C. Rentzheimer, and had children: John Charles, of further mention; Forest Austin, died at the age of eleven years.

Dr. John Charles Kichline, son of James B. and Emily C. (Rentzheimer) Kichline, was born in Forks township, Northampton county, Sept. 22, 1874. After an excellent training at the public schools and the Forkstown Normal School, he matriculated at the Medical College in Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1901 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He established himself in practice at Fogelsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, but soon afterward removed to South Bethlehem, where he was successfully engaged in practice until 1912. He then went to Philadelphia in order to take a special course in surgery at the Philadelphia Medical College. He is a member of the Northampton Medical Association, State Medical Society, Knights of Pythias, Improved Order of Red Men, Knights of the Golden Eagle. His religious affiliation is with the Lutheran church, of South Bethlehem, in which he has been an elder for the past six years, and has served as superintendent of the Sunday school. Dr. Kichline married Emma S., a daughter of Calphenus and Emma (Sand) George, of Allentown. No children.

Thomas Kichline married Emma, a daughter of John B. and Mary A. (Lynn) Byle, of South Bethlehem.

Herbert, son of Thomas and Emma (Byle) Kichline, was born in South Bethlehem, Dec. 11,

1876. He was educated in the public schools, then secured employment as a drug clerk in his native town, continuing in this occupation for a period of four years. He then entered the employ of the United States Express Company, at Germantown, Pennsylvania, and remained with this concern until 1912. In that year he removed to Allentown, where he entered the employ of Gately & Fitzgerald, as a salesman. He is a member of the Jerusalem church of East Salisbury, and of the Royal Arcanum and the United States Express Relief Association. He married, Jan. 3, 1902, Ida Louise, a daughter of George and Catherine (Schneider) Yerk, of Salisbury township. No children.

Edmund Jacob Kichline married Eliza, a daughter of George and Mary (Smith) Engelman, of Limeport.

Edwin, son of Edmund Jacob and Eliza (Engelman) Kichline, was born in Salisbury township, June 9, 1841. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of seventeen years learned the trade of carriage building, and followed this occupation nine years. He then engaged in the brick making business in association with his father, utilizing the clay which was found on the homestead farm. In addition to conducting this business, he cultivated the farm until 1906, when he retired from active business responsibilities. Early in life he became a member of the Lutheran Church, with which he has been affiliated since that time. Mr. Kichline married, at Reading, Pennsylvania, Oct. 2, 1877, Amanda E., a daughter of Rev. George T. and Caroline (Butz) Haines, of Philadelphia and York, Pennsylvania. They have had children: 1. Jacob G., born Oct. 4, 1879, died March 14, 1898. 2. Edwin Troutman, born Feb. 10, 1881. 3. William Masell, born Jan. 19, 1883; educated in the public schools of Allentown, Bethlehem Preparatory School and in the State College, at State College, Pennsylvania. He is now a draughtsman in the employ of the Allentown Spinning Company. He married Carrie Wentz. 4. Helen, born March 19, 1885, is a trained nurse, having been graduated from the Germantown Hospital, Pennsylvania. 5. Charles, born Dec. 20, 1886, died Jan. 10, 1898. 6. Harry, died in infancy.

#### A. D. KACHLINE, ESQ.

Alfred Daniel Kachline, justice of the peace for fifteen years, was born at Egypt, Whitehall township, on June 18, 1855, where he received his preliminary education. He then attended Muhlenberg College for a time, but while there, when 16 years old, his father died and he, though a boy, was obliged to leave school and carry on

the tannery as manager until the business was wound up. When this was accomplished he had reached his majority and having in this time won the confidence of the community, he was nominated on the Republican ticket for the office of justice of the peace and elected, though the district was Democratic by a large majority. Upon receiving his commission, he was the youngest official in the state. While serving his term of five years, he displayed such judicial discrimination, and gave so much satisfaction to the public that he was re-elected for a second term. In connection with his official duties, he also filled the position of bookkeeper for the American Cement Company, but he was there only a year, when he was selected as general manager of a 10,000-acre farm in Clay county, Minnesota, the property of Frank Schreiber, which he conducted for a year, during Mr. Schreiber's absence from home.

In 1886, he returned to Pennsylvania to engage in the manufacture of shoes at Allentown, with Abraham Anderson, and also in the business of selling shoes at wholesale. This partnership was carried on four years when it was dissolved, and then he was engaged in selling cement, and later he was engaged as salesman by the Columbia Slate Company.

In 1900 he was selected as the enumerator of Whitehall township by the United States Census Department, and after serving this appointment he became the foreman of the Atlas Cement Company Works at Northampton. He continued there until 1906, when he was elected treasurer of Whitehall township, one of the three first-class townships in Pennsylvania, and this position he filled for one term of three years in a most creditable manner. Then he was urged to be a candidate on the Republican ticket for justice of the peace of the upper section of the progressive first-class township, and consenting, was again elected by a large majority, which evidenced the electors' appreciation of his continued fitness for the position, and this office he has filled in a most successful manner until the present time. The district is a rich and populous one and much varied business is constantly arising which receives his prompt and careful attention. Matters relating to the public welfare have received his earnest encouragement at all times, more especially the common school system of education, and the improvement of public roads. In social affairs he has affiliated with the Odd Fellows and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, having assisted as a charter member in instituting Lehigh Castle, No. 510, at Egypt.

In 1882, Squire Kachline was married to Josephine L. Daniels, a daughter of George and

Salinda (Leisenring) Daniels, of Whitehall township. They have two children: Jerome Marshall, who was graduated from the Whitehall high school, class of 1913, and since then he has been in the employ of James G. Kitchen & Company, prominent wholesale dealers in wool at Philadelphia; and Edna G., who married Howard J. Clausser, of Egypt, and they have two sons: Gordon Kachline; and Morris Marshall.

Aaron Jacob Kachline, the father of 'Squire Kachline, carried on a tannery at Egypt for nearly twenty years until his decease in 1872. He was born in 1810 at Allentown and there he attended the public schools until he reached the age of 17 years, when he learned the trade of tanner in the establishment of his father. Upon completing his apprenticeship, he formed a partnership with a Mr. McCoy, of New York, and they carried on a tannery in Monroe county for five years, when the partnership was dissolved and the plant sold. He afterwards conducted a tannery at Nazareth, and then at (Leisenring) Whitehall township, until 1855, when he located at Egypt, and there carried on the business until he died. While at Egypt he was prominently identified with the Reformed congregation, serving as deacon, elder and trustee. In 1830, he was married to Clara Tice, a daughter of John Tice and his wife, Mary Hackett, both of England. She was born in New York City in 1812. When ten years of age she accompanied her parents to Emaus, Lehigh county, and was there educated. They had five children: Emma M., m. William Steckel; she died in June, 1913, at Denver, Colorado, where she is buried; Ellen J., m. Henry P. K. Romich, died January, 1914. Jacob S., who died at the age of 22 years; Mary E., m. Isaac Shelly; and died at Philadelphia in December, 1896, where she is buried; and Alfred D. After Mr. Kachline's decease, his widow took up her residence with her daughter, Mrs. Romich, at Romich's Mill, where she died in 1889. Both are buried in the cemetery attached to the Union Church at Egypt, where they were members. The eldest daughter, Emma M., received a thorough education, taught a select school at Allentown for a number of years, moved to Illinois in 1876, where she also engaged in teaching, conducting a select school for upwards of twenty years.

The marriage of John Tice and Mary Hackett, the parents of Mrs. Aaron J. Kachline, is noted on the record of an Episcopal church in London, as having taken place, "by Banns," on April 27, 1802, which was subscribed by them in the presence of witnesses. They had five children: John; George; Catharine Owens, m. John



Leibert; Clara, m. Aaron J. Kachline; and Mary, m. Abraham Will.

Jacob Kachline, the oldest son of Peter Kachline, Jr., and grandfather of 'Squire Kachline, was born at Easton and learned the trade of tanner, afterwards he carried on a tannery for a number of years, having at the same time operated a grist mill. He was married to Maria Bender, of Easton, in 1789, and they had five sons: Peter, born 1790; William; Charles; John; and Aaron, Jr.; and three daughters: Mrs. Black, Mrs. Young, and Mrs. Sydne Cassner. They were buried at Allentown, where they were members of the Reformed Church.

#### KIDD FAMILY.

Joseph Kidd, in 1812 was assessed in Hanover township. He lived between Catasauqua and Rittersville, and died in 1827, aged seventy-seven years. His son, Joseph, died in 1867, aged sixty-eight years. In the old Christ churchyard the burials of the family are numerous, among whom are Benjamin (1753-1806); Solomon (1796-1844); and John (1793-1876).

Tilghman Kidd, of Emaus, Pa., married Eliza Bickert, daughter of Joseph and Hattie Bickert. Issue: 1. James W.; 2. Emma, married Preston Butterwick, of Asbury Park, N. J. Issue: Stanley Butterwick.

JAMES W. KIDD, son of Tilghman and Eliza (Bickert) Kidd, was educated in the public schools and reared on the farm. At an early age he learned the carpenter's trade, which he has followed for twenty-five years. Was a member of the town council for two years. The court appointed him burgess of Emaus to fill the unexpired term of D. Miller, in 1912. He is a member of the Lutheran church of Emaus, Pa.

#### KIECHEL FAMILY.

The founder of the family of the Lehigh Valley, emigrated to America at an early day. Abraham Kiechel was born in Whitehall township and became a farmer, continuing in this vocation all his life. He was married and had a son, John Kiechel, who was also a farmer. He owned the place now in possession of Oscar Troxell. He died near the Jordan Bridge and was buried in the old Allentown cemetery. John Kiechel married Catherine Knauss. Issue: Henry, of Siegfried; John (1810-1861), Jonas, died young; Stephen (deceased), Sarah (Mrs. Jonas Biery), Mary, died single; Lovina (Mrs. Nathan Fredrick), Edward.

Edward Kiechel, son of John, was born in Whitehall township. At a suitable age he learned the blacksmith trade with Jonas Biery. In 1844, after he had become proficient in the trade he walked to Wisconsin, where he follow-

ed the trade until 1846, when he returned to Hanover township, Lehigh county, and was employed by George Lazarus. Some years later he engaged in business on the farm of Henry Snyder, remaining there five years. He then removed to Shoenersville until 1862, then located at Mechanicsville, afterward he moved to Ruchsville and after some years settled at Catasauqua, Pa., where he lived until he retired from business in 1903. He was a member of the Shoenersville Reformed Church, serving it as a deacon. He married Mary Snyder, a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Houseknecht) Snyder. Issue: James W. (1849-1851), Franklin H., Catherine E., married (first) Hiram Heller and (second) to John Witt, Ellen (Mrs. James Mohry), Abbie, who since 1900 has been in the family of Col. H. C. Trexler, Mary (Mrs. Oliver Buss), Edward W., a farmer of Hanover township; John A., of Catasauqua; Sylvester, of Catasauqua.

FRANKLIN H. KIECHEL, the second son of Edward, was born Oct. 20, 1850, in Hanover township. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of seventeen commenced to acquire the trade of blacksmith, under his father's tuition. In 1872 he entered the shops of the Fullerton Car Co. as blacksmith. On July 11, 1873, he became an employee of the Catasauqua and Fogelsville R. R. Co. (now the R. & R. Railway Co.), where he became head of the blacksmith department. In 1899, when Whitehall became a first class township, Mr. Kiechel was elected the first township commissioner. He served as president of the board for six years. During this time Mickleys Pike was rebuilt. He became a member of Catasauqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F., in 1882, is a member of the encampment and is a past master in both bodies. He has been his lodge's representative to the Grand Lodge twelve times. In politics, he is a Democrat. He was elected auditor of Whitehall township in 1874-1888 and in 1891. He is a member of Mickleys Reformed Church in which he served as elder for four years and for twelve years he was the assistant superintendent of the Sunday school and afterwards he was superintendent. He has always been a very active church worker. He has one of the fine historical libraries in the county.

Franklin H. Kiechel married Rebecca Meyers, daughter of Elias and Polly Meyers, born Aug. 13, 1849, died Nov. 28, 1912. Issue: Franklin H., Jr.; Harvey, Earl, Marion, Rebecca, Edward L., Helen I. Kiechel.

#### WILBUR LEWIS KING.

Wilbur Lewis King, son of Isaac L., and Maria (Knauss) King, was born in Bethlehem,

Pa., August 14, 1872. He is a descendant of Jacob König, who came to America on the ship Janet, William Cunningham, captain, from Rotterdam, last from Cowes, and arrived in Philadelphia, October 7, 1751.

Jacob König settled in the "Drylands," Bethlehem township, Northampton county, having secured an original Penn title to land in that section. He married Catharine Illick and ten children were the result of this union. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, being a member of Captain Nolf's Company, Northampton county militia, from which he received his discharge April 12, 1781. He died the same year.

The subject of this sketch received his early education in the public schools of Bethlehem, graduating from the high school, class 1889. He then entered the Bethlehem Business College, taking a complete commercial course. This was followed with a four-years' course of the Chautauqua literary and scientific circle, securing his diploma, class 1895.

After completing his business course, Mr. King entered the employ of the Old Bangor Slate Company, and after a short term of service secured a position in the claim department of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co. Here he remained about fifteen years, advancing himself from stenographer to a position as one of the chief investigators and adjusters of railroad claims. When the offices were moved to Philadelphia he secured a position with the Bethlehem Steel Company and later was elected secretary and accountant for the Lehigh Valley Cold Storage Company, which position he was obliged to relinquish after some years on account of sickness. After spending a season in the Southwest he returned to Bethlehem, and has since filled several positions with credit. He, at present, holds a responsible position with Pettinos Brothers, miners and refiners of graphite.

On Sept. 9, 1897, Mr. King was married to Miss Irene M. Keiper, daughter of the late Charles and Mary (Zellner) Keiper, of Allentown. She is a descendant of John Moll, the gunsmith, of Allentown, who was employed in repairing small arms for the army during the days of the Revolution. Her paternal grandfather, William Keiper, was a soldier in the War of 1812 under Captain John Ruhe, Fifth Company, Second Light Infantry. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. King took up their residence in West Bethlehem. Their union has been blessed with two children: Florence E., and Charles W.

In politics Mr. King is a Democrat and takes an active interest in same. On Jan. 10, 1902, he was sworn in as a member of the West Bethle-

hem board of health, and in a few months thereafter he was elected the president of the board in which capacity he served until the consolidation of the borough with Bethlehem. In February, 1905, he was elected a member of town council, but on account of his removal from the ward he was obliged to relinquish his seat in council.

He is also interested in local history and among his writings which have found their way into print are a "History of Wesley Methodist Episcopal church, Bethlehem," a "History of Bethlehem Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 83," and a "History of Oddfellowship in Bethlehem." The chapter on the history of Hanover township, in the present volume, was also compiled by him. He has been a frequent contributor to the *Penn Germania* magazine and is the originator and historian of the King family reunion.

Fraternally Mr. King is a member of Bethlehem Lodge F. & A. M., No. 83, Keystone Lodge, No. 78, I. O. O. F., Star Encampment, No. 30, I. O. O. F., and Washington Camp No. 310, P. O. S. of A. He is also a member of the Lehigh County Historical Society. Both he and his family are active members of the Wesley Methodist Episcopal church. He is the superintendent of the Sunday school, which position he has filled for a number of years. He is also a trustee in the church and otherwise identified with the work.

Mr. King has been much interested in the natural sciences, especially entomology and botany. As a result of his study of the latter subject there has recently been published in a leading botanical journal an article written by him on "The Flora of Northampton County, Penna.," in which he enumerated over thirteen hundred species of plants that have been found in the territory treated.

#### C. P. KING.

CHARLES PRESTON KING, merchant, at West Catasauqua, was born January 20, 1879, at the Fire Line, in Carbon county, Pa., and his parents were William H. and Ellen (Blöse) King, now of West Catasauqua. He was educated in the public schools at Catasauqua and in the American Business College at Allentown. He began life as a newsboy when ten years old at Catasauqua and there he continued the same business until 1893. At the age of fourteen years he learned the cigar-making trade and followed it for several years. Later he was employed by the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company for three years; then engaged in the cigar and leaf tobacco business at West Catasauqua and continued in it until in 1902. At that time he became hill-man and conductor of the waiting-



room at the lower Catasauqua bridge for the Lehigh Valley Transit Company; and in the waiting room he opened a grocery store which he developed into a prosperous business. In 1911 he also became proprietor of the "Fairview House," at West Catasauqua. He is a member of the F. O. E., No. 110, at Allentown, and of the K. G. E., at Catasauqua.

In 1900 he married Gertrude K. M. Odenheimer, a daughter of John and Alice (Freyman) Odenheimer of Whitehall. Their children were: Mildred L., Gordon W., Grace E., Arthur M., Blanche M., Charles P., Jr., and Stanley (who died in infancy).

DR. RAYMOND K. KINCAID.

James Kincaid was born in Burlington county, N. J., in 1795. When yet single he came to Lehigh county and settled in Salisbury township. For some years he was a distiller and later became a boatman on the Lehigh canal, following this vocation until his death in 1856, at the age of 62 years. Mr. Kincaid and his wife are buried at Jerusalem church. He married Catherine Reich, born in 1805, died in 1883, aged 78 years. Their children were: William D.; Angelina, married John Ruhf; Robert K., who was in the navy; Elizabeth, who married George Ruhf, a brother of John; James, late of Philadelphia; Tilghman, of Detroit, Mich.; Samuel, who died in Northampton county; Mary, married John Ehrich, of Allentown, where both were buried; Thomas, of Hokendauqua, Pa.; Joseph, who died unmarried; Milton, deceased; Edwin and John, of Allentown.

Edwin Kincaid, son of James and Catherine (Reich) Kincaid, was born in Salisbury township, Feb. 29, 1844. He mastered the carpenter's trade, which he followed for eight years. In 1863 he came to Allentown, where he learned pattern-making and followed this trade for the Allentown Rolling Mills for thirty-six years. He retired in 1907 and resides at 751½ North Eighth street.

Mr. Kincaid is a Democrat and was a member of the Section Board for three years; served as president of the Board of Control of the schools of Allentown for four years; was a member of the common council four years; was a member of the select branch of Allentown for six years. He was a delegate to the state convention at Harrisburg to elect delegates to the national convention which nominated Cleveland for his second term.

Mr. Kincaid and family are members of Salem Reformed church, which he served as an elder

for six years. He took an active part in the Sunday school as well as the church for twenty-one years. He was a member of the building committee of the chapel of this church. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and a Past Chancellor.

He married (first), Jan. 19, 1869, Catherine Fetzer, daughter of Henry and Maria Fetzer, born Nov. 25, 1841, died in Allentown, Feb. 28, 1895, at the age of 54 years. They had the following children:

1. Harvey M., born Jan. 6, 1870, is married and lives in Allentown. They have two sons: Edwin and Raymond. Mr. Kincaid is a dispatcher for the L. V. Traction Company.

2. Wayne O. H., born Oct. 18, 1872, married Mary Snyder. Issue: Russell, Paul, Robert and Rowellen, twins. Mr. Kincaid is a pattern-maker employed by the Bethlehem Steel Works, and lives in Allentown. Edwin Kincaid married (second), in February, 1897, Hannah Honacker, daughter of Edwin Honacker, of Northampton county, a successful farmer.

William D. Kincaid, son of James and Catherine (Reich) Kincaid, was born in Philadelphia, May 23, 1848. He was educated in the Quaker College at Philadelphia and followed clerking and bookkeeping in Philadelphia, Allentown, and in the West. During the Civil War, when not quite 16 years of age, he enlisted in Co. C, 198th Regiment, Penna. Volunteers, and served for one year in the First Brigade, First Division, Fifth Army Corps, Army of the Potomac. He was wounded in the battle of Five Forks. In 1874 he came to Allentown, where he has since resided, and is employed as a bookkeeper and solicitor.

He married Alice Keck, daughter of Moses and Deliah (Dubbs) Keck, and they had two children: Jennie M., who married Joseph Howard; and Dr. Raymond K.

DR. RAYMOND K. KINCAID, proprietor of the Kincaid Pharmacy, located on the southeast corner of Madison and Chew streets, is a native of Allentown and was born Dec. 8, 1878. He was educated in the public schools and later in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, from which institution he graduated in 1900. He then entered the employ of H. L. Keiper as head clerk, continuing for nine years. On Sept. 1, 1909, he established his present business at Madison and Chew streets, where he carries a full line of drugs, doctors' supplies and sick room requisites.

Dr. Kincaid is a member of Jordan Commandery of Knights of Malta and he and family are members of St. John's Reformed church.

Mr. Kincaid married, Sept. 12, 1900, Gertrude Diehl, daughter of Jefferson and Josephine (Gangawere) Diehl, of Allentown.

#### THOMAS H. KINNEY.

George C. Kinney, father of Thomas H. Kinney, was born in Sparta, Sussex county, N. J., where he was reared and educated, obtaining a practical education which qualified him for an active career. In due course of time he became an extensive contractor and builder of Paterson, Passaic county, N. J., where he gained a reputation as a straightforward business man, thorough in every detail of his work, and at the present time (1914) is actively engaged in the same pursuits in Allentown, Lehigh county, Pa., where he is pursuing the same policy and reaping the same reward. He married Marion Young, daughter of George W. Young and Sarah (House) Young, who has borne him four children, as follows: George W., an engineer, in the employ of the Erie Railroad company, residing at Chester, Orange county, N. Y.; William T. S., a holder of public office at Paterson, Passaic county, N. J.; Thomas H., of whom further; Blanche, wife of Joseph Titlow, resides at Allentown.

Thomas H. Kinney was born in Lafayette, Sussex county, N. J., Jan. 28, 1869. He acquired an excellent education in the common and high schools of Paterson, N. J., and since the year 1888, when nineteen years of age, has been actively identified with the silk industry, serving in various silk mills. He acted in the capacity of superintendent for the firm of Fichter and Martin, of Bethlehem, Pa., proprietors of silk mills, for a period of nine years, and in 1907 removed to Allentown, Pa., and inaugurated The Queen City Mills, under the name of The Queen City Silk Company, incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania, 1907, with a capital of \$150,000, and he is now the president and general manager of the same. Their plant is located at Twenty-first and Linden streets, Allentown; the dimensions of the buildings are: 200 x 50, two-story brick—96 by 90, one-story brick—110 by 40, one-story brick; equipped with 100 looms; give employment to 175 hands; railroad facilities of the best, the Lehigh Valley Railroad running past the door, and they manufacture high grade ribbons and novelties, which are shipped to New York city, their selling agents in New York being Ferris and White, No. 357 Fourth Avenue. The first year's business amounted to \$200,000 and during the intervening time the business has increased accordingly, in 1913 amounting to \$700,000, which

speaks well for the management of Mr. Kinney, who possesses executive ability of a high order. He is also identified with a number of manufacturing enterprises outside of Allentown. Mr. Kinney is a member of the Presbyterian church, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Country Club, and is a Republican in politics.

Mr. Kinney married, in 1902, Anna V. Sheehan, daughter of P. J. Sheehan, of South Bethlehem. Children: Marion H., Dorothy V., Eileen.

#### KISTLER FAMILY.

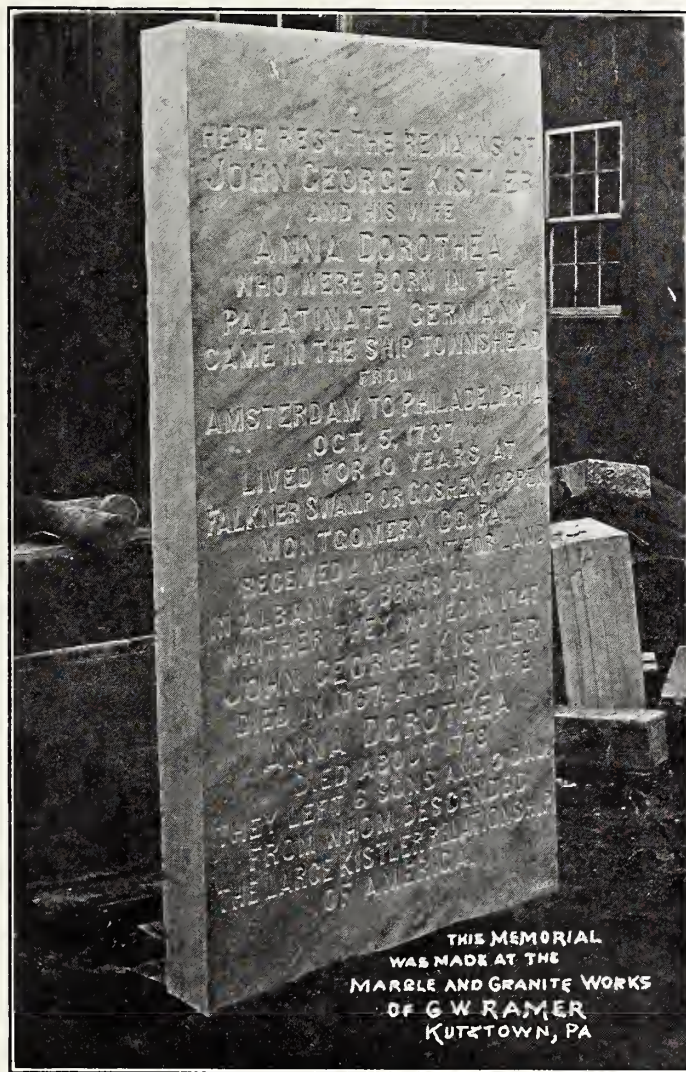
On the records of the Jerusalem church, known in the 18th century as the Allemangel church, located near the line of Berks and Lehigh counties, there are recorded hundreds of baptisms of Kistler children, while in the cemetery under the shadow of the church there are many graves marked with the same name. Near the center of the oldest part of the cemetery lies a slate stone (which is now being replaced by the descendants with a marble slab) bearing the inscription, "I. G. K. 1767." This is supposed to be the stone that marked the burial place of the progenitor of the American Kistlers, who was legally known as Johannes, but was called Joerg or George by Pastor Schmacher in his record, and Hanjoerg or John George, by his neighbors.

Johannes Kistler was a native of the Palatinate, in Germany. On Oct. 5, 1737, he came in the ship "Townshend" from Amsterdam to Philadelphia, and soon after to Falkner Swamp, or Goshenhoppen, in what is now Montgomery county, Pa. It is supposed he was accompanied by his wife, Anna Dorothea, and his oldest children. In 1747 he took out a warrant for land and moved to Albany township, Berks county, then wild and barren, where he made his permanent residence. The vicinity was named "Allemangel" or "All Want." Johannes Kistler was taxed in Albany in 1756, and was naturalized in 1761, on September 10th of which year he and his neighbor, Michael Brobst, appeared before the Supreme Court in Philadelphia, and there received the papers that made them citizens of Pennsylvania. He was a Lutheran and served as elder of the Allemangel church for a number of years, where his children were baptized and confirmed. His children were: Jacob, who left seven children: Philip, Jacob, Michael, Solomon, Daniel, Catharine, and Magdalene. Samuel Kistler Brobst, a teacher of James A. Garfield, was a grandson of Philip, and so was Michael Kistler, the tanner, whose son Stephen was at one time the most extensive tanner in eastern Pennsylvania; John, re-



mained on the homestead after his father's death. The name John runs through at least five generations, and the trade of blacksmith follows it. John's children were: John William, born May 29, 1757; and Abraham, born Dec. 20, 1761, who is the ancestor of the Perry county Kistlers for

to as George Kistler, Sr., he doubtless had a son George. The archives of Pennsylvania show that a George Kistler served in the Continental army during the Revolution. Philip, born Oct. 19, 1745, died Aug. 28, 1809. He had nine children: Jacob, John, Ferdinand, Philip, Jonathan, Bar-



JOHN GEORGE KISTLER MEMORIAL.

whom Kistler post-office has been named. A descendant, Rev. Dr. John Kistler, has for many years been professor at the oldest Lutheran Theological Seminary in America, located at Hartwick, N. Y. George remained in Berks county. In 1779 he was the owner of 248 acres of land and a grist-mill. In 1778 he was elected elder of the Allemang church, and as he was referred

bara, Maria, Catharine, and Elizabeth. Of these, Jacob was a lieutenant in the War of 1812. Michael moved to Ohio, and is the ancestor of the large Kistler settlements in Indiana. His family consisted of John, Michael, Joseph, Nathan, Monroe, Salome, and Judith. Samuel was the youngest son of his father. Barbara married (first) a Brobst, and (second) Michael Mosser, of Low-

hill. Dorothea married Michael Reinhart. Elizabeth married a Mr. Keller, near Hamburg, Pennsylvania.

Samuel Kistler, son of John George, was born Sept. 20, 1754, and died April 24, 1822. He was an extensive land owner. In 1803 he built a very substantial stone mansion in Kistler's Valley, which remained his home to the time of his death, and which has until recently been the property of his descendants. He built the Kistler mill near Tripoli. For many years he was an elder of the Jerusalem church, and it was while he held that office that the present house of worship was erected, 1812-14. All these buildings erected about a century ago, stand as firmly to-day as though they had been built in recent years. Samuel Kistler was twice married. His first wife, Elizabeth Ladich, bore him three children, and his second, Catharine Brobst, twelve. These were: Barbara, married Henry Sunday, and is buried at Dunkel's church; Jacob S., father of Samuel J., who was a delegate to the national convention which nominated Abraham Lincoln for the presidency, is buried at the Jerusalem church; Samuel is buried at Tripoli church; John S. is buried at Jerusalem church; Michael died in Ohio; Christian is buried at Tripoli; Daniel and David both died in West Penn, Schuylkill county; Jesse died in Ohio; Levi is buried at Jacob's church, Jacksonville, Pa.; Charles is buried at Newton Falls, Trumbull county, Ohio; Maria Elizabeth, married Jacob Snyder, and died in Ohio; Catharine, married George Weida, and died in Lowhill; Salome, married Jacob Mosser, the tanner, and died in Allentown; and Magdalene, married Solomon Mosser, and is probably buried at Lynnvile. The descendants of Samuel Kistler are scattered all over the United States. Many of them have become successful business and professional men. An unusually large number are physicians and ministers of the gospel.

Jacob S. Kistler, son of Samuel, and grandson of John George, was born Oct. 5, 1781, was justice of the peace, and held other offices, and died Oct. 7, 1845. He married Anna Barbara Bausch, who died Nov. 19, 1867. He left sixteen children: John J.; Jacob; Nathan; Stephen S.; David; Jonas; Charles; and Catharine, married to Reuben Buck, are all buried at the Jerusalem church; Reuben, died in Louisville, Ky.; Salome, married to John Hermany, is buried at Jacksonville, Pa.; Mary, married to Elias Wertman, died at Peoria, Ill.; Lydia, married to Daniel Long, is buried at New Ringgold, Pa.; Elizabeth, lives at Saegersville, Pa.; Anna Fena, married to Charles Lenhart, is buried at Bethel church in Albany township; Helena, second wife of Daniel Long, died in Atchison, Kan.; and Samuel J., associate

judge of Lehigh county, member of the State Legislature, justice of the peace for many years, and family historian, is buried at the Heidelberg church, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania.

Stephen S. Kistler, son of Jacob S., was born in Kistler's Valley, Dec. 16, 1817, and died March 13, 1874. He was married to Abigail Brobst. They had eight children: Philip, William S., Mary, Albert and Jacob are buried at the Jerusalem church; Sarah, married to Harry Stine, lives at Fogelsville; Fianna, married to Emanuel Seidel, is buried at Hamburg; and Samuel, died at Seipstown.

William S. Kistler, son of Stephen S., and great-great-grandson of the emigrant, John George, was born Nov. 15, 1840, and died Sept. 19, 1887. He served nine months in the Civil War. He was married to Maria Grim, daughter of Reuben Grim, and his wife, Sarah Wanner. They bought the old Kistler homestead where their eight children were brought up. These are: Jesse, a physician at Allentown; Elmer, who was for many years a school teacher of Lynn township, and is now a justice of the peace; William U., pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran church, Pennsylvania, and St. John's, Spinnertown, Pa.; Charles E., pastor of Alsace Lutheran church, Reading Pa.; Stephen O., who remained on the old homestead; Mary, married to Dr. A. F. Bayer, Stony Run, Pa.; and Sallie and Kathryn, who live with the mother at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa. It may seem remarkable that so many out of the family have entered professions. This is, however, nothing unusual with the Kistlers. Four sons of William B. Kistler have entered the medical profession, and three sons of Jacob Kistler have done the same.

ELMER C. KISTLER, justice of the peace, farmer, and prominent citizen of Lynn township, was born in the Kistler Valley, May 18, 1866, and obtained his education in the common schools of the district, and also in the Lynnvile and New Tripoli academies. When nineteen years of age he was licensed to teach in the public schools and he taught twenty-one terms in Lynn township, one term in Weissenberg and one term in the borough of Lenhartsville, in Berks county, making altogether twenty-three terms. He has held a permanent certificate from the state superintendent for a number of years.

Having been brought up as an agriculturist, Squire Kistler has carried on farming operations where he lives since May 2, 1907, with great success and he has been recognized as one of the most enterprising farmers in the township. His place is equipped with the latest improved farming machinery, and annually he raises large crops of potatoes. His farm is generally known as the







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"Kistler Farm." Its early owner was Samuel Kistler, who was succeeded by his son John, and John by his son, William B. A large stone dwelling on this farm was built by John Kistler in 1858. A log barn, which was built about the time of the Revolution, was destroyed by fire on Thanksgiving night, 1906. The following year, Elmer C. Kistler erected the present barn, 100x40 feet. An historic house on this property is mentioned in the descriptive history of the township.

The squire's political affiliations have been with the Republican party. In 1900 he was appointed census enumerator of the township and he served this appointment with efficiency. From the time he became of age he has helped to hold the annual elections, excepting when his own name was on the ticket for an office. In 1903 he was elected justice of the peace of the Lynnville district, and in 1908 re-elected. Naturally, since 1903, he has become recognized and called as the "Squire," or "Squire Kistler." Under the old delegate system he frequently represented his district before the county conventions; and he has served as a United States juror in the Corcuit Court at Philadelphia. He has identified himself with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Squire Kistler and his family are Lutheran members of the New Jerusalem church, which he has served as a deacon, and since 1909 has been serving as an elder.

He was married in 1888 to Annie Reinert, daughter of Adam and Amanda (Wolf) Reinert, and they have three children: George E., who died in infancy; Emma M., a graduate of the township schools, also educated under the tutelage of her father, and a public school teacher since 1908; and William A.

Squire Kistler has been secretary of the Kistler Family Re-union Association since its organization. This flourishing association was begun in 1898, by Miss Sallie Kistler, of Allentown, a sister of the Squire.

STEPHEN O. KISTLER, an enterprising and successful farmer in the Kistler Valley, was born on his father's homestead, Sept. 23, 1872, and having been reared on a farm, he has followed this vocation. He secured his farm of 182 acres in 1905. On it there is a Swiss barn which was erected in 1899, the dimensions being 40x100 feet, and the superior management of the place is reflected in its fine general appearance. The Kistler Valley is noted far and wide for its exceptional fertility of soil, abundant crops, attractive homes and well-painted barns, and its prosperous farmers, and Mr. Kistler's farm is among the best.

Mr. Kistler was married on May 11, 1899, to

Mary E. Rabenold, daughter of Peter and Jane (Bortz) Rabenold, of Weissenberg township, and they have one child, a daughter, Edna J. He and the family are members of the Lutheran congregation at the New Jerusalem church, which has been the religious home of nine succeeding generations of this great and influential family; in which he has served as a deacon. In politics, Mr. Kistler is a Republican.

Daniel S. Kistler, a son of Samuel and Maria (Brobst) Kistler, was born in Kistler's Valley. After his marriage to Magdalena Mosser, he moved to West Penn township, Schuylkill county, where he conducted a large farm, which was later divided into three farms for his three sons. Mr. Kistler was an active member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Kistler had these children: Charles; Daniel; John; Noah; David; Hettie; who married David Zehner, and resides near Orwigsburg, Pa.; Katie, who married Rev. B. F. Bohner, a minister of the Evangelical church of Allentown, Pa.; and the wife of Rev. Daniel Yingst, whose son, John, is a business man at Eleventh and Hamilton streets.

Charles M. Kistler, a successful business man of West Penn township, Schuylkill county, was born July 4, 1824. Up to 1869 he was engaged in the milling business, operating what is yet known as "Kistler's Mill," located on Lizard creek. He was further occupied in the operation of a saw-mill on a farm consisting of 200 acres. In 1869 he retired and moved to Allentown, where he died, May 6, 1888, aged 63 years, 9 months and 2 days.

Mr. Kistler was a man of strong Christian character and was active in the Evangelical Church, which he served in its various offices, being class-leader at the time of his death.

His wife was Elizabeth Peters, a daughter of Joseph Peters. She was born Nov. 19, 1823, and died Feb. 27, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Kistler are buried on Union cemetery, Allentown, Pa. Their children are: James A.; Charles A.; Sarah E., who married L. H. Mertz; Henrietta, Emma S., and Mary M., who died in childhood; Carrie, wife of S. P. Swartz; S. Lizzie, wife of Rev. J. G. M. Swengel; and Dr. Abraham L., whose history follows.

#### DR. A. L. KISTLER.

Abraham Lincoln Kistler, M.D., an eminent homeopathic practitioner, residing at the northeast corner of Ninth and Linden streets, Allentown, Pennsylvania, is a native of Schuylkill county, Pa., was born Nov. 19, 1862, son of Charles M. and Elizabeth (Peters) Kistler.

The public schools of Allentown afforded the early intellectual training of Dr. Kistler, graduating from the city high school in 1879, at the age of seventeen, and from Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1883, with honors. After his graduation from this famous medical institution, Dr. Kistler located at Allentown, in which city he built up a very large and successful practice. He is a specialist on diphtheritic and fever cases and his success in these lines of practice has been phenomenal. As a diagnostician he ranks pre-eminent.

For a number of years Dr. Kistler has been on the non-resident consulting staff of the Women's Homeopathic Hospital, at Philadelphia, which is one of the leading hospitals of that large city. In 1914, the board of Trustees of the Rittersville State Hospital appointed him the resident consultant. He has membership in the following medical societies: Lehigh Valley Homeopathic Medical Society, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and the American Institute of Homeopathy. His fraternal and social connections are with Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M.; the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, No. 110; and the Livingstone Club, the leading social organization of Allentown.

Dr. Kistler married, June 21, 1893, Miss Agnes S. Huber, daughter of the late Walter P. Huber, whose full history appears elsewhere in this volume. Dr. and Mrs. Kistler are members of Bethany United Evangelical church, both are active in church work. Mrs. Kistler is one of the very active members in the missionary cause, and Dr. Kistler has been the efficient and esteemed leader of the Bethany choir since 1904. In fact, in music the doctor finds his greatest pleasure and relaxation, having been associated with the late and lamented Prof. Clement A. Marks, Musc. D., in the organization and preparation of the Enterpean Club and the Oratorio Society. Dr. Kistler had been the president of the latter organization from its birth and has taken the keenest interest in it and attended very regularly its rehearsals and all the concerts, with one exception, when sickness prevented, up to 1913, when he reluctantly resigned, owing to the death of Dr. Marks, its founder and the co-worker of Dr. Kistler. The intimacy and nearness of Dr. Marks and Dr. Kistler was like unto that of Damon and Pythias, and as a result of the death of the former, the latter withdrew his connections from all musical activities except that of the church choir.

Michael Kistler was born in 1790, resided in Lynn township. He was a tanner and farmer in Kistler's Valley. Most of his sons followed their

father's trade. He was a member of New Jerusalem church, where he was buried. He died in 1872.

Michael Kistler married Magdalena Brobst. Issue: Nine sons and six daughters, viz: Stephen; Perry (or Perez), Sallie, Rudolph, Jacob, Joel, Polly, Mary, Hannah, Daniel, William, Michael, Jr., Angelina, Catherine, and Reuben. Sallie married (first) Reuben Wannamaker, (second) Stephen Snyder. Polly married Elias Sechler. Mary married (first) Jonas Billig, and (second) Charles Faust. Angelina, born May 1, 1835, married Peter Seip. Reuben and Hannah died young. Catherine married Daniel Brobst.

Stephen Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena (Brobst) Kistler, was born on the family homestead in Kistler Valley. He learned the tanning trade from his father. He removed to Lehighton and later to Stroudsburg, where he died, and is buried there on the family plot, where a large monument has been erected. Stephen owned tanneries in Lehighton, Carbon county; at Tannersville, Bartonsville, Sciota and Stroudsburg, in Monroe county; at Lock Haven, in Clinton county; and Great Bend, in Susquehanna county, Pa. He employed several hundred people. He had established a large leather store in New York. He dressed so plainly that no one supposed he was almost a millionaire. Once, when a ship load of hides from South America was to be sold at auction in New York. He started to bid on the hides. When the rich dealers noticed this they thought they would let the poor man have a few at his own price, and out of pity for him they stopped bidding. When the auctioneer asked him how many he wanted at that price, he said to the consternation of everybody there, "I take them all."

Five years after his death his sons removed the New York store to Boston, where his son Wilson now carries on an extensive business and also conducts a chain of tanneries.

The children of Stephen Kistler and his wife, Esther Mosser follow: Charles, deceased; Rufus, of St. Paul, Minn.; Elmira and Angelina, both deceased, are buried at Weissport; Wilson, of Lock Haven; Alfred; Milo, of Tannersville; and Michael, who lives in South Carolina.

Charles Kistler, son of Stephen, was married to Anna E. Kistler and they had issue: Emma; Catharine, Caroline, and Oscar, all deceased; Mary is married to Dr. John H. Lesh, a leather merchant in Boston, Mass. They have a daughter, Mary Olga Lesh. Andrew M. married Ernestine Huebner, of Bethlehem. Issue: Charles E., and John F. Kistler. Perez (or Perry) Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena



(Brobst) Kistler, had issue: Nathan, Floranda, Kathryn, Diana, and Emmeline. Nathan had sons, William and Richard. He was for many years chorister of the church at Grimville. Jacob Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena (Brobst) Kistler, was born at Kistler Valley. His children were: Charles, Dr. Willoughby, Dr. James, Dr. Jacob, Sarah, Elizabeth, Lydia, Amelia, Ella, and Mary Kistler. Willoughby and his son, Clinton, are practicing medicine at Lehigh. Joel Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena (Brobst) Kistler, was born in Kistler Valley. His children were: James, William, Emma, Mary, Ella, and Elmira. William was a graduate of Muhlenberg College, class of 1881. He was drowned in crossing the Rio Grande river in Texas, Aug. 7, 1884. Daniel Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena (Brobst) Kistler, was born in Kistler Valley. He resides at West Penn, Schuylkill county. His children were: Elmira, Fianna, and William W., since 1894 pastor of the Coopersburg Lutheran parish. William Kistler, son of Michael and Magdalena Kistler, was born in Kistler Valley. His children were: Emmeline, Medina, Thomas, Robert, and James. Michael Kistler, Jr., son of Michael and Magdalena (Brobst) Kistler, was born in Kistler Valley. He served as lieutenant in the Civil War, and was for many years postmaster at Stroudsburg, Pa. His son, Hiram, served several terms as burgess of Stroudsburg. Michael, Jr., had children: Albert, Hiram, Stephen, Miranda, Irene, and Elmira Kistler.

WILLIAM JACOB KISTLER, electrician at Rittersville State Hospital, son of Rev. W. W. Kistler, of Coopersburg, was born Nov. 3, 1895, at Coopersburg, where he attended the public schools, and then having inclined to the study of electricity, he followed a special course of study on this branch for three years in the Philadelphia School at the corner of Broad and Spring Garden streets; and prosecuted further study for a year at Schenectady, N. Y., when he returned to his home. After remaining there for a time directing his special attention to the electric wiring of buildings, he was selected as the chief electrical engineer of the Rittersville State Asylum, which position he has filled until the present time. He is a member of the Lutheran Church and of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 140.

Matthias Kistler, son of Jacob and Catharine Kistler, was born Sept. 13, 1787, died Nov. 13, 1861. He became a farmer, weaver, and apple-jack distiller in the western end of Kistler Valley. He owned the homestead of 100 acres, now the property of John Rubrecht. At an early period he erected a two-story building on this farm, the first story was used for a distillery,

and the second for weaving purposes. This building, about a century old, was razed in 1903. It stood about fifty feet south of the present dwelling. His son, Jacob, succeeded to the homestead, who continued apple-jack distilling for many years, often being assisted by his good wife, Polly, born May 14, 1833, who has her home with her daughter, Mrs. John Rubrecht.

Matthias Kistler married the first time, Magdalena, born May 6, 1789, died Nov. 18, 1838. He married again, Gertrude Werley, born Oct. 24, 1788, died Nov. 7, 1847. Both were buried at the Frieden's church at Wessnersville. He had children: Michael; Daniel; Jonas; Jacob; Polly, who married Isaac Schuman; Lydia, married Henry Croll; and Elizabeth, who married (first) Daniel Long, and (second) Jacob Snyder.

Daniel Kistler, son of Matthias and Magdalena Kistler, was born July 26, 1870, in Kistler Valley. He was reared on the farm and was educated in the schools of his township. In his early manhood he was a farmer in Lynn township, Lehigh county, one and one-half miles northeast of Wessnersville. In later years he became a merchant in the same township near where Samuel Howerter now resides. He was very successful in his business. He died Oct. 20, 1858, and was interred at Wessnersville.

Daniel Kistler married Eva Snyder. Issue: Jeremiah, of Weissenberg; William; Daniel (1822-1824); and Sallie, who married Dr. Madden.

William Kistler, son of Daniel and Eva (Snyder) Kistler, was born in 1825, in Lynn township. By occupation he was a tombstone cutter. He lived in Lynn township about one and a half miles from Stony Run. He was a member of Frieden's church. He died in 1892.

William Kistler married Judith Wink. Issue: R. Amanda, married Alonzo Easterday, of Atchison, Kansas; Henry A.; Jackson; Levi F.; and Samuel, died young. Henry A. was a farmer and school teacher. He taught for twenty-one years in Lynn township. He also raised 2,000 to 4,000 bushels of potatoes per year.

Nathan Kistler, son of Jacob S., spent all his life in Kistler Valley, except three years, during which he lived in Albany township. He was a successful farmer. He was married to Catherine Dietrich, a sister to the wife of his brother, John J. They had eleven children, eight of whom lived to ripe ages, as follows: Caroline, deceased wife of William Smith; Elizabeth, married Samuel Howerter; Catharine, married Daniel ———; Lydia, married to James Fetherolf, of Albany township; Samuel, a lumberman of Rosette, Kansas; Edwin D., for many years a successful mer-

chant at Wessnersville, Berks county; Nathan, who conducted a large meat market in Atchison, Kansas; William, a farmer in Atchison, Kansas; Mary, married to A. B. Ulrich, of Baxter Springs, Kansas; and two died when young.

John J. Kistler, a son of Jacob, was born in Lynn township, and died in January, 1861, aged 58 years. He is buried at New Jerusalem church. He lived in the upper end of Kistler's Valley, where he had a large farm, which was his father's homestead. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, served various offices and was one of the organizers of the Lynnville Sunday school.

He was married to Elizabeth Dietrich, a daughter of Michael Dietrich, of Klinesville. She died in December, 1892, aged 64 years. Their children are: Nathan, who died at the age of nineteen years; John D.; Henry D.; Reuben; Abraham D. Levi, of Sylvan Grove, Kansas; Sarah, who married William Sassaman, a school teacher, and resides in Kansas; Julia, who married (first) George Stetler, and (second) Joel Stump; Rufena, who married Reuben Zimmerman; Eliza, who married Edward Kramlich, deceased; and Rebecca, the widow of Lewis F. Bortz, of Allentown.

John D. Kistler was a farmer at Mossersville, in Lynn township. His homestead is now owned by his oldest son, Allen J. In 1876, he built the present large brick house on that farm. He was born in 1834 and died in October, 1886. He was married to Lucy J. Fetherolf. They are buried at New Tripoli. Their children are: Allen J.; Harry F., a merchant at Lehigh; Milton, of Neffs; Dr. Nelson F.; and John W., both of Allentown.

John D. Kistler married, second, Josephine Kistler, a daughter of William and granddaughter of Christian Kistler. Issue: Wilmer, of New York City.

Henry D. Kistler, a citizen of New Tripoli, and son of John J. and Elizabeth (Dietrich) Kistler, was born April 23, 1836, in Kistler Valley. He was reared upon the farm and acquired his education in the local public schools. He followed the pursuit of agriculture almost continuously from 1863 to 1898. In 1911, he sold his valuable 150-acre farm to Orville Rauch. In politics he is a Republican. He and family are members of the Ebenezer church. The Kistler family have held annual reunions since 1899 and Mr. Kistler has always been president of the association. He is a man of fine personality.

Henry D. Kistler married, Oct. 28, 1860, Caroline Swoyer, daughter of Ephraim and Catherine (Schmidt) Swoyer. They celebrated their golden wedding in 1910. Issue: Emma; Ellen;

Richard; Eugene; Annie; Katie; Carrie; George W.; and Sallie.

Emma married Alfred S. Wessner, of West Penn township, Schuylkill county, and had children: George and Anna; Ellen, married Albert Hartman; Eugene S., married Mame Wagner; Annie B., is a teacher in Allentown; Katie, married Thaddeus Rex; Carrie, married Samuel Hartman; George W., is a farmer in Lynn; and Sallie, married Rev. John Schofer, of Stuartsville, Ohio.

RICHARD S. KISTLER, son of Henry D., was born in Lynn township, Jan. 25, 1865, and educated in the local schools. He taught school for two years in the township, and in 1888 removed to Allentown, where he became clerk in A. D. Kistler's store at Ninth and Gordon streets. In 1890, he opened a grocery store at Fifth and Gordon streets, and in 1894 removed to Sixth and Liberty streets, where he has been unusually successful. He served a term as school director in the Tenth ward and assisted in the upbuilding of this section by the erection of houses on Sixth, Seventh and Law streets. He is a member of St. Luke's Lutheran church, of which he has been treasurer for 15 years, and a deacon for a like period. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203; Allen Council, No. 23, R. & S. M.; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F.; Allentown Lodge of Elks; and Allentown Castle, No. 55, K. G. E. Mr. Kistler has one daughter, Helen M., a graduate of the Allentown high school, class of 1906; of Irving College, of Mechanicsburg, Pa.; and of Miss Hart's Training School for Kindergarten, who is at present kindergarten teacher at St. Luke's Lutheran church.

ABRAHAM D. KISTLER, retired citizen of Allentown, Pa., was born in Lynn township, Dec. 19, 1848. He was reared to the pursuit of a farmer, but later was employed as a clerk at Saegersville by his uncle, Samuel J. Kistler, and served in this position for ten years. In April, 1874, he located in Allentown and engaged in the general mercantile business and was located at Ninth and Gordon streets for twenty-five years. Since 1899 he has been engaged as a builder and up to the present time has erected nearly one hundred residences in Allentown.

Mr. Kistler resides at 330 North Ninth street. He and his family are members of St. Michael's Lutheran church, which church Mr. Kistler served as an elder for many years and fills the office of trustee since 1900. He was married to Ellen Moser, daughter of William Moser, a mil-



ler of near Steinsville, Pa. Their children are: Clara E., Robert A., of Albuquerque, N. M. He is engaged in mercantile business in that city, and in the summer of 1913, his father and sister paid him a visit.

Charles Kistler, son of Jacob, was a native of Lynn township, and conducted farming operations on the old homestead for many years. He was married to Elizabeth Ettinger, who died in February, 1911. They had four children: Ida A., married to Dr. D. R. Brobst, at Reading; Mabel J., married to Charles F. Moser; Dr. A. J. Kistler; and a girl, who died in infancy.

DR. ALVIN JACOB KISTLER, a distinguished specialist in the practice of medicine at Philadelphia, was born in "Kistler Thal" on the old homestead in Lynn township, Lehigh county, on Feb. 21, 1876, son of Charles and grandson of Jacob. He received his early education in the local schools and became one of the first graduates of the district from the public high school. He then attended the East Stroudsburg Normal School and other preparatory schools, for the purpose of qualifying himself as a teacher, and upon receiving a teacher's certificate, he taught public schools at Lynnvillle and Stein's Corner for two terms.

While teaching he pursued a course of reading medicine, and in the fall of 1898 entered the Jefferson Medical College. He pursued his studies there for four years and was graduated in 1902, and upon passing a successful examination before the Board of Examiners at Philadelphia, he located at Reading and opened an office in August of that year, and there carried on a preliminary practice for four years. For the next two years he was located at Lehighton. Then he took a post-graduate course of two years at the Polyclinic Hospital and the Jefferson Hospital for the purpose of qualifying himself particularly as a specialist, and with this preparation he located at Philadelphia, where he has since carried on an active and successful practice in the treatment of particular diseases, his office being at 668 North Eleventh street.

In 1902 he was married to Ida L. Moser, of Lynnvillle, Lehigh county, daughter of William F. Moser and his wife Mary, *nee* Bachman. They have two children: Charles William, born in 1905; and Mark Moser, born in 1908.

Charles Kistler, son of Daniel and Catherine (Everett) Kistler, was born Feb. 5, 1857, at Weissport, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of Lehigh county, and subsequently located in Schuylkill county, where he followed various occupations until 1883, when he returned to Lehigh county, locating first in Slatington, and

subsequently in Allentown. Mr. Kistler, many years ago, became interested in mental suggestion and prayer, as remedial agencies in the treatment of the afflicted. He has devoted his services to this cause for a considerable period. He married, June 4, 1877, Miss Catherine Ann Miller. Issue: Rose Ann, deceased; Ella Amanda; Lillian Irene; Howard E.; Mary Rebecca; Stella M.; and Henry E., deceased. Ella A., married to Martin M. Ritter, of Lancaster, Pa.; Lillian I., married to Irvin Snyder; Howard E., married Ida Kunkel; and Mary R., married to Elmer Schoenly.

Conrad Kistler was born Oct. 1, 1786, died Sept. 21, 1859. He was a farmer in Lynn and his homestead is now the property of N. H. Snyder. He was a Lutheran member of the Ebenezer church, and is buried on the graveyard of that church. His children were: Abraham; Josiah; David; Katie; Elizabeth; Lydia, married Eli Dengler; and Sallie, who with Katie and Elizabeth, were never married.

Abraham Kistler, son of Conrad, succeeded his father to the homestead upon which is a house over 100 years old. His wife was Regina Sittler, and they had two children: Madina, married Phaon Bachman; and Levi.

Josiah Kistler, son of Conrad, was a farmer and after his death in 1861, his widow, Caroline, with the assistance of her children, continued to conduct the farm. There was a large family, of whom five survive, viz: Charles H.; Wilson, of Allentown; Lewis H., who lives in Kansas; Mary, married Daniel Tyson, and Henry H., also of Kansas.

Levi Kistler, son of Abraham, was a farmer in Lynn township and succeeded to the homestead where Nathan H. Snyder now lives. The farm contained upwards of 115 acres. He was a Lutheran member of the Ebenezer church and served it officially. His wife was Violetta Wehr, daughter of David Wehr. Their children were: Elmira, married John Mosser; James W., married Ida Peter; George A. G., married Mary A. Snyder; Oscar D., married a Mr. Oswald, now deceased; Laura, deceased; Estella, married James Peter; Howard, married Emma Leiby; Gertie, married Charles Snyder; and Arthur.

CHARLES H. KISTLER, son of Josiah and Caroline Kistler, was born Nov. 23, 1850, in Lynn township. His boyhood and youth were spent in assisting his father, and in acquiring an education in the public schools of that period. At the age of twenty years he learned in detail, the trade of wagon-maker, at Claussville, and subsequently entered the employ of P. A. Semmel, of Slatington. In 1877, he settled on a farm of 90 acres

located along the base of the Blue mountains, in Washington township. Here he built a commodious and modern wagon shop, and has followed the combined occupations of farmer and wagon-maker. Mr. Kistler has served as a member of the school board for six years. On Oct. 13, 1908, fire destroyed his barn, burning the entire year's crops, four horses, five cows, and a lot of poultry, which was a severe financial loss to him. The barn was rebuilt in 1909.

Charles H. Kistler married Mary C. Anthony, daughter of Stephen and Nancy (Mummey) Anthony, of Berlinsville, Pa. Issue: Howard, George, Florence, Mabel, Sallie, and William W. Kistler. Howard married Ida Cochran. No

he began farming as a tenant farmer where he now lives and continued doing so for twelve years, when he purchased the farm, containing 58 acres. It was formerly the John Oswald homestead. He is a Republican in politics and served as a registry assessor for three years, besides filling other local offices. He is a Reformed member of the Ebenezer church and since 1900 has officiated as the treasurer, taking an active interest in the welfare of the church during this time.

Mr. Kistler was married on Jan. 10, 1891, to Mary A. Snyder, daughter of Daniel and Catharine (Heintzelman) Snyder, and they have one child, a son, Marvin S., who is married to Edna Lauchnor and they have a son, William G.



HOMESTEAD IN KISTLER VALLEY, ON SAMUEL KISTLER FARM.

issue. Residence in Carbon county. George, married Laura Bittner. Issue: Earl, Arline, and Grace. Residence at Slatedale. Mabel, married Frank P. Bechtel, of Neffsville. No issue. Sallie, married Elmer Kern. Issue: Charles F. and Norine. Residence at Slatedale. William M., married Lillie Rehrig, who reside with his parents,

GEORGE A. G. KISTLER, son of Levi, is a farmer near New Tripoli, in Lynn township. He was born Sept. 27, 1868, and was reared upon the farm. He learned the carpenter trade and followed it for four years while a single man; then

DAVID J. KISTLER was born in Lynn township and there carried on farming. He lived in the Kistler Valley, where he owned a farm of 117 acres; and later he purchased a farm of 140 acres situated southwest of Wanamaker, which is now owned and operated by his son, Lloyd, and on this latter place he died. After his decease, his widow continued farming until 1890 on the former place, when their son, Henry, became the owner. He was a Republican and served as township supervisor for a time.

His wife was Maria Fetherolf, daughter of Philip, and they had seven children: Ellen, mar-



ried to C. A. K. Grim; Rosa, married to J. B. Levan; Lloyd P.; Jennie, married (first) to Weidelich, and then to Edwin Griesemer; Catharine, married to Charles K. Griesemer; Henry F.; and Dr. Chester K., medical practitioner at Reading. He and the family were members of the New Jerusalem church, of which he was an elder at the time of his death.

HENRY F. KISTLER, proprietor of the Kistler Roller Mill, potato farmer, and representative citizen at Wanamaker, was born in Lynn township, Aug. 12, 1866. He received his education in the public school of the township, but he afterward extended it a great deal by his own personal efforts whilst being reared on the farm at home, and this naturally developed him to become a broad-minded and well-read man and fitted him to carry on business enterprises successfully, which he afterward came to establish. After his father's death, he remained at home assisting his mother in the farming operations until he was of age, then he went to Reading and was employed there for six years. In 1890, he purchased his father's 117-acre farm and then carried it for himself. In 1892 he erected on the place a substantial barn, 42x90 feet, with an addition 30x30 feet, and he remained there until April, 1899, when he moved to Wanamaker, where he had purchased the Daniel Wanamaker homestead of 116 acres; and later he enlarged this farm by adding 36 more acres. This farm was in the Wanamaker family for four generations.

In the meantime, Mr. Kistler sold the place in the Kistler Valley, and bought the Martin Donat homestead, situated near Wanamaker, which Martin's son, Eli, then owned, the tract embracing 275 acres, 175 acres of it woodland; and in 1909 he erected a modern, substantial barn, 80x80 feet, with an addition making it L-shape, costing upwards of \$3,000. All of the lands owned by him are well adapted for the successful cultivation of potatoes and for some years past he has raised annually upwards of 9,000 bushels; and this great quantity being the high mark among the many potato raisers of Lynn and the surrounding townships, he is frequently referred to as the "Potato King" of eastern Pennsylvania.

In 1903, Mr. Kistler purchased the Wanamaker mill property, including 36 acres of land and a large three-story building equipped with improved roller-process. This mill was built in 1860 and is probably the third erected at this stand. Being situated conveniently along the Schuylkill and Lehigh Railroad, Mr. Kistler also deals extensively in fertilizers, coal, lime, sand, cement, potatoes, grain, flour and feed, selling annually in the fertilizer alone upwards of one

hundred tons. Six men, besides the assistance afforded by his own family, are employed constantly in the various departments of his large business.

Notwithstanding his busy life, Mr. Kistler is public spirited and ever ready to serve the best interests of his community, and education matters receiving his earnest encouragement, he was elected in 1905 as a director of the township school board and since then has filled this position.

Mr. Kistler was married February 7, 1889, to Missouri I. Donat, daughter of David and Hannah (Leaser) Donat, and they have the following children: Hannah M.; Ida J.; Howard D.; H. Wellington; Hattie M., who died in infancy; Mary M.; Carrie I.; Beulah E.; Helen E.; Ralph F.; and Edna C. He and the family are members of the Lutheran congregation of the Jacob's church at Jacksonville, and he has officiated as a deacon, elder and trustee.

JONAS J. KISTLER, son of Jacob S., lived in the Kistler Valley, where his son, Samuel J., now resides, and there he carried on farming. In 1861 he built the eastern part of the stone house on the place. He was buried at the New Jerusalem church, of which he was a member connected with the Lutheran congregation and he filled the church offices. He also served as a school director of the township.

His wife was Lovina Brobst, daughter of Jacob Brobst, and they had the following children: Polly, Owen J., Isaac, Matilda, Jonas, Lydia, Samuel J., Elvin, and Louisa.

SAMUEL J. KISTLER, son of Jonas J., and farmer on the homestead in the Kistler Valley, was born there Nov. 26, 1861, educated in the local schools and farmed all his life. He obtained title to the place in 1907, having been his father's from 1857 until that time. Before 1857 it was owned by Jacob Brobst.

In 1909 he built the large barn on the place, 40x90 feet, and an addition, L-shaped, 26x28 feet, for a straw shed.

Mr. Kistler is a Republican and served as a supervisor of the township for six years. He is a member of the Lutheran congregation at the New Jerusalem church, having filled the offices of deacon and elder. He was married, Oct. 2, 1886, to Louisa Krause, daughter of Phaon and Mary (Smith) Krause, and they had eleven children: George, married Kate Correll; Frederick, Robert, Addie, Joseph, Phaon, Mary, Henry, William, Morris, and Stella.

Owen J. Kistler, son of Jonas J. Kistler and his wife, Lovina, *nee* Brobst. He married Henrietta Steigerwalt. They had these children:

George J., who died in infancy.

Calvin J., who was married to Margaret

Mooney and has these children: Henrietta, Jason, Theodore, and David. They reside at Weatherly, Carbon county.

Mary E., who married Julius Oliver and has these children: Ester, Russell, Calvin, John, and Ira.

Kate H., who married Erasmus Druckenmiller and has these children: Clark, Reid and Allen.

Lizzie L., a teacher at Weatherly.

Barbara L., a bookkeeper at Mahanoy City.

Gertrude L., a nurse.

Unia A., of Weatherly.

Bertha I., a teacher; and

Wilbur J., residing near Buck mountain.

Charles J. Kistler, son of Jacob and Catharine Kistler, was a clerk in a store in Albany township in "Dem Eck." During the Civil War he drove a mail coach to Hamburg and the remainder of his active life he was a farmer in the Kistler Valley. His homestead is now owned and occupied by his son, Anson C.

He married Mary A., a daughter of Solomon Donat. They had two children: Anson C., and Edwin J.

#### WILSON P. KISTLER, M.D.

Dr. Wilson P. Kistler, eminent physician of Allentown, lately deceased (Jan. 8, 1912), was a son of Benjamin and Rebecca (Peter) Kistler. He was born in Kistler's Valley, Lynn township, Oct. 12, 1843. He came of a notable ancestry, being a descendant of John George Kistler, the pioneer, through Samuel, born 1754; John S., born 1783, father of Benjamin. The latter, remaining on the old homestead, became a manufacturer of fine beaver hats. His son, Benjamin, father of the subject of our sketch, moved to West Penn township, Schuylkill county, where he was the proprietor of a leading hotel, and he became one of the prominent men of that section. He finally removed to Allentown after the birth of Wilson, where he subsequently lived and where the young Wilson attended the local schools and then learned the trade of harness-making from his father. The boy, ambitious for greater things, became, at the early age of fifteen, a school teacher at Kepnersville, Schuylkill county. A year later he was a pupil in Schnecks-ville Academy and thence went to the Bucks County Normal and Classical Institute, of which Rev. A. R. Horne was principal. After further preparation in the Allentown Seminary and the Allentown Academy, he became instructor in Dr. Harris' Institute. Later, he again taught in Schuylkill county and also at Lynnville, Mechanicsville, and New Tripoli. Then, while conducting a select school in the I. O. O.

F. Hall at Steinsville, he read medicine with Dr. Shade, of that place. In 1863 he enlisted in Company E; 149th Regiment, P. V., Col. Nagle, of Schuylkill county, commanding, a body assigned to the Army of the Potomac. During a considerable part of his service he served as clerk to Brig. Gen. H. H. Lockwood. While in the army he sustained an injury to his eyes, resulting eventually in the loss of sight in one of them.

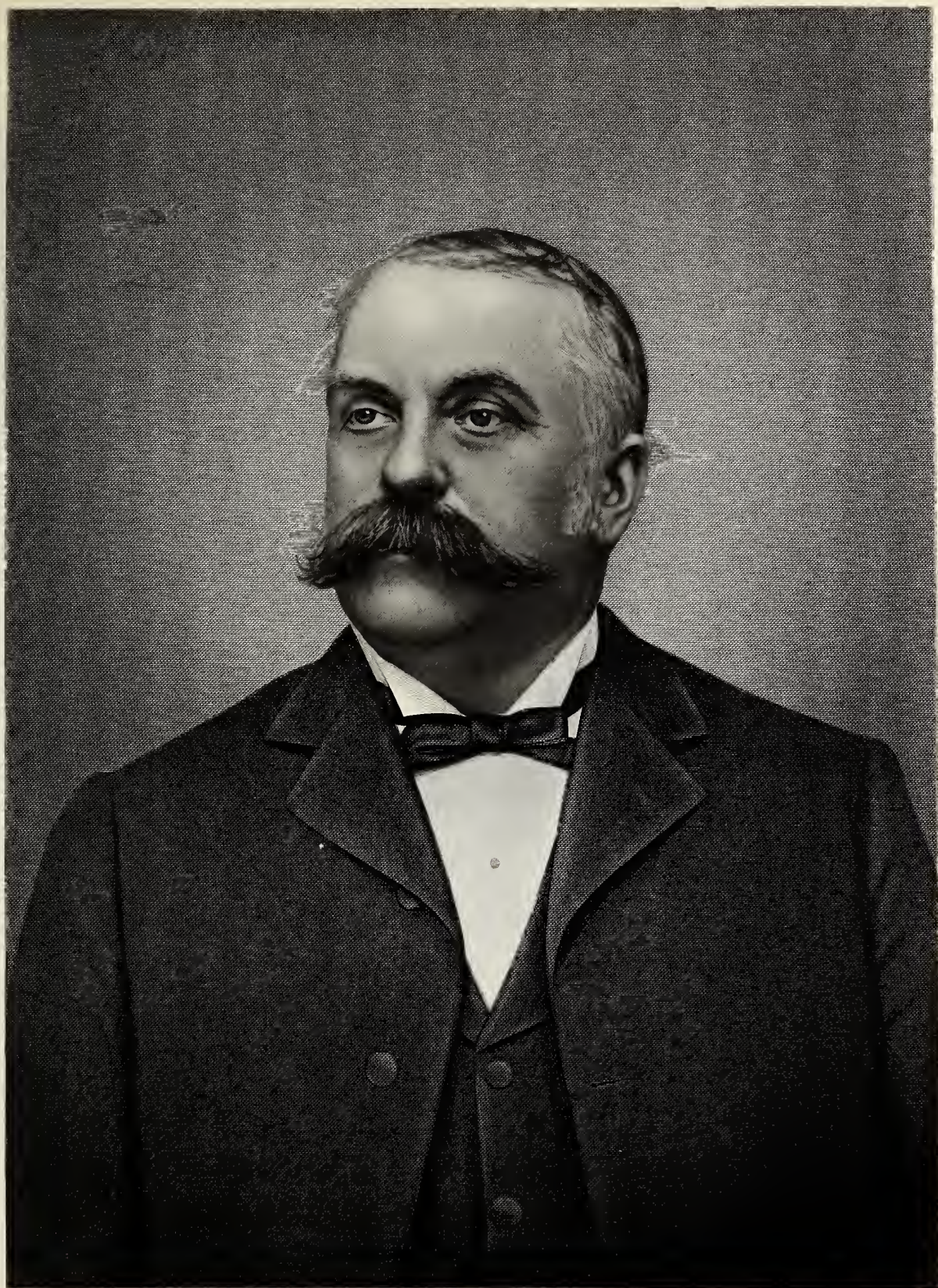
Honorably discharged from the army in 1864, he entered Bellevue Medical College, New York, graduating from it in 1867. His first location as practicing physician was at Germansville. After three years failing sight induced him to enter, as a patient of Dr. Noyes, the New York Eye and Ear Infirmary. On recovery he resumed practice, settling at Schnecks-ville. After a residence there of twelve years he removed to Allentown, locating at 313 North Seventh street, where he maintained an office until his death, Jan. 8, 1912.

Dr. Wilson P. Kistler was eminent in his profession, noted not only among the laity, but also among his colleagues for his attainments, medical and surgical knowledge and skill, and for his good judgment and unusual energy. His practice was, consequently, most extensive. He was an expert obstetrician and a famed specialist on disorders of the skin. With his son, Dr. Eugene M. Kistler (*q. v.*) he established the first private hospital in Allentown, in which, by the two physicians, many surgical operations were skillfully performed. His many duties left him little leisure for literary work, yet a volume from his pen, "Practical Medical and Surgical Family Guide in Emergencies," is a vade mecum highly prized in numerous Lehigh county households.

His interests were not confined to his profession. He was an active business man. He made successful ventures in real estate. Over one hundred dwellings in Allentown and vicinity were erected by him. He was also an enthusiastic agriculturist, acquiring a number of farms on which he had flourishing peach and apple orchards. It was as a medical man, however, that he deserves best to be remembered. He was noted as a preceptor, a trainer of young doctors. As preceptor he instructed more young men than did any other physician in Eastern Pennsylvania, and many physicians to-day have achieved success in their life work attribute the beginning of that success to the splendid training they received in the office of this master of medicine.

He was one of the founders of the Kistler Family Association, taking unusual pride in the history of his family and of his native township of Lynn. He was a member of E. B. Young





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Post, G. A. R., the Red Men, Knights of the Golden Eagle, American Mechanics, Knights of the Mystic Chain, and Daughters of Liberty. He was a Lutheran member of St. Michael's Church. In 1865 he married Jane A. Clauss, of Pleasant Corner. With her he had three children, two daughters preceding him in death, and one surviving son, Dr. Eugene M. Kistler. Dr. W. P. Kistler's death, which occurred at his residence, 1517 Turner street, was due to pneumonia.

EUGENE M. KISTLER, M.D.

Dr. Eugene M. Kistler, physician and surgeon, of Allentown, the only son of the late eminent specialist, Dr. Wilson P. Kistler, was born at Schnectsville, Lehigh county, April 12, 1873. He attended the academy there until, at the age of ten, he accompanied his parents to their new home in Allentown, where he attended the public schools until his graduation from the high school in 1890. Determining to follow in his father's footsteps, he first studied under his father, assisting him in his extensive practice, and later took a course in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, attending Bellevue Hospital, New York City, three terms, and graduating with honors in 1893.

His formal entry upon practice of his profession was appointment, after a successful examination, to a position on the staff of Bellevue Hospital (Fourth Division). Then, after another competitive examination, out of which he emerged first among fifty-two applicants, he became house surgeon of St. Vincent Hospital, New York City (one of the largest hospitals of the metropolis), and served in this position successfully and to the utmost satisfaction of his superiors, all noted doctors, Prof. Joseph D. Bryant, Prof. Stephen Smith, Prof. J. W. S. Gouley, Prof. Charles Philips, Prof. Frederick S. Dennis, and others. After graduation from Bellevue Hospital, he took a course in obstetrics in the Broome Street Lying-in Hospital, under such instructors as J. Clifton Edgar, Dr. W. J. Markoe, Dr. D. F. W. Markoe, Edw. W. Lambert, Paul W. Lambert, William T. Lusk, W. M. Polk, H. M. M. Painter, and Antrim Flint, Jr. This course he followed with service in the Hackensack Hospital, under the eminent physician, Dr. David St. John. For nine months he served as a member of the house staff in the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital. While he was serving here, information of the illness of his father led him to relinquish his plans for further service in metropolitan hospitals, and to decline a proffered and attractive association with one of the foremost surgeons of the country, Dr.

David Webster, of New York City. Immediately he returned to Allentown to relieve his father by taking from his shoulders a part of the latter's large and burdensome practice. Under father and son this practice continued to increase covering the eastern section of the state, requiring the use, first, of nine horses, and later, of three automobiles. To this practice the son succeeded on the death of the father. Success has attended the younger physician's efforts to the extent that he has been compelled to associate with himself an assistant, Dr. Leroy S. Howard.

Following the example of his father, Dr. Eugene M. Kistler has taken an active interest in social organizations, affiliating himself with the Sons of Veterans, the Independent Order of Americans, the Knights of Friendship, Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M., Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 203, Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T., and B. P. O. E., No. 130. He is very fond of athletics and gymnastics and has been an enthusiast in college sports. He is a member of the Lehigh Country Club, and is active in the Allentown Young Men's Christian Association.

On Feb. 25, 1901, he was united in marriage with Miss Lina S. Neuweiler, daughter of Louis Neuweiler, of Allentown.

As a result of native ability and the exhaustive and extended preparation previously referred to, the surgical work of Dr. Kistler has been extraordinarily successful. In operations for appendicitis he has reputation for remarkable skill, justified by the fact that till now every operation has resulted favorably. He is also a specialist in affections of the eye, ear, nose, and throat. The equipment of his office is unexcelled throughout the entire Lehigh Valley, and his laboratory is one of the finest possible.

ABRAHAM KISTLER'S DESCENDANTS IN PERRY COUNTY.

Abraham Kistler, son of John, son of Johannes, moved to Cumberland (now Perry) county, Pennsylvania, before 1793. In 1814, we find that he owned four hundred acres of land near Ellittsburg, Perry county. His wife's name was Mary Loy, daughter of Michael Loy. Their children were: Jacob, Abraham, John, William, Samuel, and Susan, born in the order as given.

Jacob Kistler, who was born March 11, 1791, married Catharine Brickley, born in 1795. They removed to Seneca county, New York, in the year 1820. Here they became possessors of a very beautiful farm near Seneca Lake. Here the wife died, Dec. 30, 1814, and the husband, Jacob, died Sept. 11, 1867. To them were born seven children: Anna Maria and Susan, both of whom were unmarried, and died at the ages of 31 and

33 respectively, of typhoid fever. Margaret became the wife of Jonathan J. Alleman, a farmer; and Sarah, married Melancthon B. Chamberlain, a farmer. Elizabeth became the wife of Jeremiah Odell, a Methodist minister. Caroline was married to Charles D. Chamberlain, a farmer. Catharine became the wife of Ambrose M. Lester, cashier of the First National Bank, of Seneca Falls, N. Y.

Abraham Kistler was married to Christiana Stambaugh, a sister of Daniel Stambaugh, who was the first sheriff of Perry county. Their children were: Mary, married to Reuben Jacoby; William, married to Elizabeth Smith; Elizabeth, married to John Kell; Susanna, married to Robert Willis; Catharine, married to James G. Messimer; Jacob, married to Lydia Kell; John, married to Anna Wertz; Abraham, married to Adeline Wetzell; and Emma, married to Henry Snyder.

John Kistler was born Jan. 14, 1800. He was married to Salome Tressler (originally spelled Dressler), who was a sister of Col. John Tressler. Salome Tressler was born May 23, 1798, and lived to the ripe age of 84. John Kistler died at the age of 86. Both are buried at Loysville, Pennsylvania, in the Lutheran church-yard. They were blessed with ten children, as follows: Mary, who married W. W. Snyder, a miller and farmer, to whom were born seven children; Catharine, who was married to John Minnick. To them were born ten children: Elizabeth, married to Daniel Garland, who was a school teacher and farmer and who served three years in the Seventh Penna. Cavalry during the Civil War. To them were born five children: John Kistler Garland, who is a druggist in Harrisburg, Pa. David Samuel Luther, a school teacher and a prosperous farmer until his accidental death on his farm in Kansas, in 1902. Sarah Ida, wife of John Wertz, who died in 1889, at her home in Manitou Springs, Col. Rev. Daniel Frank Garland, D.D., graduate of Pennsylvania College and Seminary, and pastor of the First Lutheran church, Dayton, O.; and Anna Salome, who died at the age of six years.

David Kistler, the fourth child of John and Salome, was married to Susanna Rice. They had seven children: Lloyd, George, and William, all prosperous farmers near Waterville, Kansas; Rev. John Luther, graduate of Pennsylvania College, Professor of Hebrew and Exegesis in the Hartwick Seminary, New York, for the past twenty-eight years; David Alban, graduate of Carthage College, and a successful real estate broker in New York City; Susan Rice Chester, a missionary to India for sixteen years, the wife of Rev. Dr. Chester, who died in India; and Sarah, the wife

of Mr. Fulton, a farmer of western Kansas.

David Kistler was married a second time, his second wife's name being Maria Anderson. To this union there were ten children, all of whom died early in life, except Lincoln, a successful contractor living in Kansas; Rebecca, now Mrs. Dobbs, of Williamsport, Pa.; Mary, Howard, and Blanche, living at home.

Samuel Kistler, the fifth son of John and Salome, was married to Margaret Weibly and resides in Hastings, Neb. They have these children: Sarah, became the wife of Rev. George Rea, a Presbyterian minister, to whom were born five children; George, a business man in Denver, Col.; Dr. James L., a prominent physician of Scranton, Pa.; Carrie, married to Mr. Barbour, of St. Louis, who died in Denver, Col., some years since; Kate, married to John Roberts, an artist, of Harrisburg, Pa., who died early in her married life; and Sara, the wife of J. H. Armbruster, district passenger agent of the Lehigh Valley R. R., Roselle, N. J.

Rev. John Kistler was born at Loysville, Perry county, Pa., Nov. 12, 1834. He was educated at the Loysville Academy and at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., and Susquehanna University. From the latter place he was graduated in 1862. During that same year he was united in marriage with Miss Catharine McCoy, of Duncannon, Pa., to whom was born one son, Harry Luther, who is now living in Pueblo, Col. In May, 1863, he went to Muhlenberg Lutheran Mission, Liberia, Africa. His wife followed in 1864, where she died in 1866. Ill health compelled him to return from Africa in 1867, and for two years thereafter he had charge of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Loysville, Pa. He organized the Lutheran churches in the years following at Tyrone, Pa., and at Bellewood, Pa., where he preached for eight years. From 1877 to 1883 he served the Upper Strasburg charge in Franklin county. In 1884, he removed to Carlisle and served a charge near that city for a number of years. In 1895 he organized the church at Le Moyne, Pa., and served this congregation for three years, since which time he has lived a retired life in Carlisle. December 19, 1871, he was married to Miss Sarah Swoyer, of Newville, Pa., to whom were born three children: Sara W., Fredericka S., and Charles Reuel. All have been educated in the schools of Carlisle, Irving and Dickinson Colleges. Sara was married to Prof. Glenn V. Brown, of the University of Pennsylvania, and resides in Philadelphia.

Andrew Tressler Kistler, born on Jan. 26, 1837, graduated from Pennsylvania College and Gettysburg Seminary, and for a time he taught school. For a number of years he has lived a



retired life at his home in Perry county. He was a member of Co. B, 77th Regiment, Penna. Vol. He is unmarried.

William died in childhood.

Rebecca married Rev. George M. Zettlemoyer, a Lutheran minister. Their home has been for many years in Des Moines, Iowa. Their children are: Mary, a physician, who is also married to a physician and lives in La Crosse, Wis.; Samuel, a stock farmer; William, a mail carrier; Emma, formerly a missionary of the Presbyterian Church to Japan; George, a machinist; Charles, a missionary of the Disciple Church at Nanking, China; Anna, now married and living at Des Moines, Ia.; and Alice, at home. These children were educated at Drake University, Des Moines.

William Kistler, a farmer, lived at Elliottsburg, Perry county, Pa., and was married to Mary Fusselman. They were blessed with eight children: Abraham, married to Elizabeth Smith; John, married to Mary Gray; Mary, married to John Smith; Jacob, married to Ellen Rheem; William, married to Elizabeth David; Susanna, married to Samuel Rheem; David, married to Mary Bistline; and Joseph, married to Mary Richard.

Samuel Kistler was a farmer at Blain, in Jackson township, Perry county, having come there from Loysville. He and his wife, Catharine, *nee* Kline, were members of the Lutheran Church. Their children were: Abraham; David; John A.; William; Caroline, married (first) a Loy, and (second) a Jefferson; Margaret, married Jonathan Bestline, and they moved to Dakota; and one who died unnamed.

John A. Kistler, son of Samuel, was born in 1832, in Perry county. He was a farmer and lime-stone dealer at Blain, Pa. His wife was Caroline Virginia Sheibly, who still lives at Blain. He died in 1911. Their children are: Milton S., mentioned later; Lila I., married to Abram F. Bucher, of New York City; Olivia Irene, widow of Frank Avernill, deceased; Clark, of Lewistown, Pa.; Mary, single; Dr. Edward C., of Blair, Pa.; and Fred B., a builder, of New York City.

MILTON S. KISTLER, real estate dealer and prominent citizen of New York City, was born in Perry county, Pennsylvania, Jan. 5, 1868. He was educated in the common schools, graduated from West Chester State Normal School in 1888; graduated from Dickinson College in 1894, and later took a post-graduate course in pedagogy and philosophy in Howard and Clark University. He thus became thoroughly qualified for work as an instructor and supervisor. He accepted the professorship of Latin and English in the Edinburgh State Normal School, serving this position with

marked ability for three and one-half years, when he resigned to accept a similar position in the DeWitt Clinton high school in New York City. He continued to serve this position until in 1900, when he resigned to engage in the real estate and building business. Mr. Kistler has large real estate holdings along the subway, near Coney Island. He has employed from forty to fifty people and transacts a tremendous volume of business annually. He has offices in the World building, located in the heart of the business center of the metropolis of America.

Mr. Kistler is married and is a member of the Methodist Church, and the various bodies of the Masonic Fraternity, being a high degree Free Mason.

#### KLASE FAMILY.

Through the spelling of the name it became very difficult to trace the genealogy of its early generations. Among the many varieties of spelling K-l-a-s-e, are the following: Kloesz, Klesz, Kloss, Clase, Glase, Glace, and even Kleiss, and Glosz.

"Johanas Kloss" emigrated to America on the ship Phoenix, which landed at Philadelphia, Nov. 22, 1752. His name written, as Johannes Kloess, appears in the tax list of 1773 for Bethlehem township, Northampton county, Pa. The emigration lists, however, show that Klosses emigrated as early as 1732. The family of whom Johanas Kloss was its ancestor, is accurately traced through the records at Easton, Pa. He lived and died near Bethlehem and his will is of record at Easton. He divided a large estate to the following children: Valentine; Philip; John, Jr.; Jacob; Catharine; Michael; Elizabeth, married to Michael Young; Anna Maria; and Christianna.

Valentine Klase, oldest son of the ancestor, lived in the Dry Land, near Bethlehem, Pa. There he owned a farm of 200 acres of land and the Klase private burying ground is located upon it. The farm appears in the tax as early as 1788. Valentine Klase, married Mary Eva Smitten, born Oct. 1, 1766. They had the following children: Jacob; Abraham; Michael; Valentine, Jr.; Henry; Mary Eva; and Catharine. These children were all born in Bethlehem township, Northampton county.

In 1753 Valentine Klase took out a warrant for 50 acres of land in Northampton county. In 1778 he entered the service of the Continental Army, in Captain Reeser's Fourth Company, of Militia, from Forks township, Northampton county. The company was a part of the Fifth Battalion and was ordered to March, July 30, 1778. (Pennsylvania Archives, second Series,

Vol. 14, p. 594.) Valentine Klase was a farmer and he died between April 12, when he made his last will and testament, and the probating of it at Easton, on May 12, 1812.

After the Indian troubles had been settled in the northern and central sections of the state, and the land was opened for settlement Valentine Klase, with many others of Northampton county, went to Fort Augusta, at Sunbury, Pa. There, in 1811, he purchased 950 acres of land with an allowance of six-tenth per cent. for roads, making a total of 1,000 acres, which was located of the old Reading road, at Stonington. It comprised a strip, nearly one mile wide, running north to the northern boundary of Snyder-town borough. Part of this tract has been in the family to the present day. He had intended to settle upon this land but in going from it to his home in Northampton county, he met with an accident and died in 1812. By will which is of record at Easton, he bequested this land to his widow and children, who were to hold it for six years, after his death. Some members of the family, however, were not suited with the land and requested the sale of it, which by a special act of the state legislature, passed on March 19, 1816, gave them the right of disposal. It had to be advertised for four weeks which was done in an Easton paper. It was sold to John Smith for \$11,067.67. The tract was then parceled out as following: Jacob Klase, 200 acres; Valentine Klase, Jr., 200 acres (the central portion); John Smith, 200 acres (the northern portion); Abraham Klase, 200 acres, one-half of the western portion, consisting of 200 acres, which joined that of John Smith; the balance was sold to different parties.

Jacob Klase, son of Valentine, Sr., born near Bethlehem, Pa., Jan. 28, 1790, died Mar. 18, 1870, and was buried in St. John's cemetery, near Snyderstown. He built a stone house at Stonington, which is still standing, and built a saw-mill on the creek, running past the house. He married Polly Schweitzer, and had these children: Mary; Catharine; Elizabeth; Solomon; Jacob; Anna Maria; Leonard; Samuel, who lived at Catawissa, Pa., died past eighty-five years of age; and Wilhelmina.

Abraham Klase, son of Valentine, Sr., was born in 1792, died in 1850, is buried near Snyderstown. He was a miller and farmer. He married Elizabeth Smith, and they have the following children: Hannah; Frank; Matilda; Catharine; Eliza; William; Abraham, born in 1819, died in 1891, was married to Catharine Miller and they had these children: George W., Amanda, Regina C., Thomas J., Martha C., Franklin P., Mary E., Addison M., Ida R., and

James B.; and the youngest of Abraham Klase's family was Solomon, born in 1831.

Henry Klase, son of Valentine, Sr., was born near Bethlehem, Pa., and in 1817 settled at Snyderstown, where he conducted a general store, hauling his merchandise by team from Reading to Philadelphia. He moved from there to Danville, Pa., where he died. He married Sallie, a daughter of John Smith, and had the following children: Jesse, Mary J., Mrs. Kesler, Henry, Jacob, and Wellington.

Michael Klase, son of Valentine, Sr., was born Sept. 4, 1794, near Bethlehem. When the other children moved to Northumberland county he concluded to stay at the old home. He married and had three children: Daniel, Joseph, and William. While visiting his brethren in Northumberland county, he took sick and died at the home of his brother, Jacob, on Feb. 22, 1852, and is buried in the Klase row, on the Snyder-town cemetery.

Daniel Klase, son of Michael, was born April 2, 1814, and died at Allentown, on April 28, 1875, aged 61 years, and 26 days. He was married to Sarah Shuman, born June 25, 1820, and died on June 7, 1886, aged 66 years, less 18 days. They are buried at Allentown. They had a son, Henry W., whose history follows:

Henry W. Klase, son of Daniel, was born in Allentown in 1843. In early life he learned the trade of stone-cutting and contracting, from his father, Daniel, at Allentown, who lived at 235 Lehigh street, the house now occupied by his son, Henry W. Klase. After the father had died, Mr. Klase and a cousin named Henry Erich, formed a partnership under the firm name of Klase and Erich, and took over the business of Daniel Klase, father of Henry W. The firm existed for many years when finally Mr. Klase purchased the interests of his partner and has continued the paving business up to the present time. He has been a life-member of the St. Paul's Lutheran church. Politically he is a Democrat.

He was married in 1871 to Kate Schuman, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Ramer) Schuman. Unto them are born ten children, as follows:

1. Harry O., whose history follows. 2. Ed-die. 3. Claude, who died in infancy. 4. Robert. 5. Allie, who died in infancy. 6. Harvey. 7. Herbert. 8. Katie, married to Charles Ber-nicker. 9. Elmer. 10. Carrie.

HARRY O. KLASSE, a native citizen of Allentown, was born June 11, 1873, son of Henry W. and Kate (Schuman) Klase. He was educated in the public schools and attended the Allentown Business College. At the age of 17 years



he began to work in the wire mill and continued there for two years. About 1895 he entered the employ of the Adalaide Silk Mill, and learned the silk-weaving trade, remaining in their employ of this company for one year, when he accepted a similar position with the Palace Silk Mills as a ribbon weaver and continued in their employ about two years. His next employers were the Givernaud Brothers, at Allentown, first as a weaver, then as a twister and general utility man for a continuous period of sixteen years when the firm retired from business. After working for Dougherty & Wadsworth in the same capacity for a short time, he accepted, in 1912, the general superintendency of the Catasauqua Silk Company, which position he has since filled with marked ability. In 1900, Mr. Klase took a complete course in textile designing with the International Correspondence School, at Scranton, Pa., and he has always made use of every opportunity to master the art of silk manufacturing in all its many details.

Harry O. Klase had enlisted three times as a member of Company B, Fourth Regiment, Third Brigade, National Guard of Pennsylvania. His first enlistment is dated Jan. 16, 1899; the second enlistment bears date, Jan. 16, 1902; and the third enlistment was on Feb. 13, 1906. On July 11, 1903, during his second enlistment he was promoted to a corporalship which position he served until his *honorable discharge* at the expiration of the last enlistment.

He and family are members of St. Paul's Lutheran church. Fraternally he has membership in Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; Livingston Castle, No. 258, K. G. E.; and Jordan Council, No. 746, Jr. O. U. A. M. In politics he is a Democrat. He is also an active member of the Goodwill Fire Company.

On May 2, 1901, he was married to Cora Shaup, a daughter of James and Elmira (Rickert) Shaup, a native of Alburtis, who died at Allentown. They had one daughter—Alma Miriam Klase, who died on Feb. 22, 1902, aged 3 months.

#### KELCHNER FAMILY.

Matthias Kelchner settled in Richmond township, Berks county. Tradition says that four brothers, George, Matthias, Michael and Henry, emigrated between 1731 and 1741. Records show that Hans George Kelchner crossed the ocean on the "Pennsylvania Merchant," landing at Philadelphia in the fall of 1731, and that he and Matthias were brothers. It is probable that Matthias was under twenty-one years of age in 1731; hence his name is not on the passenger list. On the "Pennsylvania Merchant," landing

in 1733, was Michael Kelchner, whose brother Henry also came to America. These four settled in eastern Pennsylvania.

In 1759 Michael Kelchner, son of Matthias, was a taxable of Richmond township. He married Maria Eva Frey, whose tombstone bears the following inscription: "Maria Eva Frey(in), wife of Michael Kelchner, had 4 sons, 1 daughter. In 1761 she married Peter Stetzler. With him she had 5 sons. She was married first in 1752. She was born June 24, 1730, died March 14, 1807, aged 76 years, 8 mos., 10 days." She is buried at Zion's Church in Perry township. Michael Kelchner's children were: Michael, John, who had a son, Henry; Jacob, m. (first) Magdalena Wanner, and had children—Catharine, Maria Elizabeth and Daniel—and (second) Maria Wanner, and had children—Jacob, Samuel (who had an only son, Isaac), Mary, Hannah and Daniel. He made his will Feb. 26, 1761 (See Will-Book I, p. 98, Berks C. H.) and his death occurred soon afterward. He gave to his wife, Maria Eva, one-third of his large estate. His father, Matthias, and his friend, Christian Rothermel, were his executors. An item in his will is as follows: "That the three children shall be sent to church and school diligently, and that they shall be instructed in English and Dutch."

George Kelchner, of Richmond township, on Dec. 13, 1794, made his will as recorded in Will Book B, p. 356, and witnessed by Casper Merkel and John Christ, with Peter Kelchner, son of George, and the latter's wife, Agnes, as executors. Peter Kelchner received the Richmond township home. The six children were: Peter, Mrs. Jacob Yoh, Henry, John, Jacob and Esther.

John Kelchner, probably a son of George, lived in Rockland township. He made his will in October, 1836, and it was probated in November of the same year, and recorded in Will Book 7, p. 400. His son, Benjamin, and Samuel Beaver were executors. Leah Lorah, daughter of his wife, was remembered in the will.

Jacob Kelchner was born in Richmond township, July 11, 1801. He passed the greater part of his life engaged in farming about one and a half miles from Fleetwood. In 1834 he married Anna Sheirer, who was born in Maxatawny township. Thirteen children were born of this union, namely: Samuel, Mary, Joel, Edwin, Martin, Jacob, Hannah, Esther, Caroline, Isaac, Charles Augustus, Daniel F. and Wilson R. The father died April 21, 1861.

Daniel F. Kelchner was born in 1852, and is a leading business man of Fleetwood, Pa. He is president of the Fleetwood National Bank, hosiery manufacturer and extensive operator of

creameries. He is prominent in the council of the United Evangelical Church and active in Sabbath school work.

Michael Kelchner was born January 1, 1734, in Berks county, Pa., and died in Hanover township, Lehigh county, Pa., April 22, 1820, in his 87th year. He is buried at Shoenersville. He was a farmer. In 1790 his name appears at the head of a family in Allen township, Northampton county, Pa., as having 3 sons and two daughters. In the same year, John and Stophel Kelchner were heads of families in the same section. The tax list of 1798 of Hanover township, includes the names of Michael, John and Peter Kelchner.

Peter Kelchner (son of Michael) was born Aug. 4, 1772, and died July 21, 1848. He was a farmer in Hanover, where his great-grandson, Albert P. Kelchner, now lives. His wife was Margaret Meyer (1777-1844). They were married forty-seven years and had three sons (Joseph, John and Peter) and a daughter.

Joseph Kelchner (son of Peter) was born in 1806 and died in 1882. He was married to Mana Moyer, born in 1806 and died in 1887. He was a farmer and succeeded his father to the homestead, erecting the present set of buildings. They were Reformed members of Shoenersville Church, where they are buried. He was a supervisor of Hanover. Their children were: Henry, Moses, Susanna (married Isaac Treible) and Elizabeth (who died small).

John Kelchner (son of Peter) lived upon the farm in Hanover, now owned by Hiram Ruch. He had five children: Levi, Benjamin, Mary, Emma and Ellen.

Peter Kelchner, Jr., was born in 1812 and died in 1887. He lived in Hanover, where Isaac Treible now resides. His children were George, Elizabeth, Caroline and Rebecca.

Henry Kelchner, son of Joseph, was born in 1832 and died in 1907. He was a farmer, and his son, Wilson J., now occupies his homestead in Hanover. In November, 1895, his barn was destroyed by fire, and he built the present one the following year. He and his wife, Anna Malinda Fenner, were Reformed members of the Shoenersville congregation. Their children were: Wilson J., Mary J. (married Joseph Mackes), Barnard S., and Margaret A. (married Frank Williams).

Moses Kelchner, son of Joseph, was born in 1834 and died May 11, 1900, upon his farm which Albert P. Kelchner, his son, now occupies. His widow, Amanda (*nee* Fisher) still has her home upon the homestead. Their children were: Albert P., Ellemina, Robert, Sarah, Amanda and William J.

Albert P. Kelchner was born in 1865 and

lived in Catasaqua from 1883 to 1901, being employed in the Bryden Horse-Shoe Works. In April, 1901 he secured the homestead (now 62 acres) and this he has since occupied. He is a deacon of the Reformed congregation at Rittersville since 1906. He married Mary Fatzinger in 1889. They have an only son—Clarence M. T.

WILSON J. KELCHNER was born February 12, 1857. He is a farmer in Hanover and occupies the homestead of his father (88 acres) which passed into his possession in 1900 and since that time he has cultivated it. He and family are members of the Reformed congregation at Shoenersville. There his first wife, Sarah Nonnermacher (a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Nonnermacher) is buried. They had one son, Henry M., who is a farmer in Hanover, married to Carrie Lapp.

In 1900 Mr. Kelchner married as his second wife, Emma Brown, a daughter of John and Dina (Hoch) Brown, of Hanover.

#### KLECKNER FAMILY.

John Nicholas Kleckner married, in 1772, Anna Catharine, daughter of Caspar and Anna Maria Ritter. She was born May 26, 1757, and died Dec. 14, 1785. They had two children: Anna Maria, born in 1774; and Caspar, born June 18, 1782.

Casper Kleckner was a native of Salisbury township, Lehigh county, but for many years resided in the old First ward, Allentown, where he died and is buried on the Union cemetery. During his later life he was engaged in the lumber business. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. His wife, a born Statler, bore him the following children: James; John; Charles; Polly, wife of John Shimpf; Rebecca, married to Henry L. Van Dyke; Mrs. Gladdes, of Mauch Chunk; and Mrs. Anthony Siegfried. The three sons and Mrs. Shimpf lived and died in Allentown.

James Kleckner, son of Casper, was a cigar-maker, also made smoking tobacco and snuff, until in 1840. Afterward he conducted a store and hotel. He kept the store at Seiders, in Saucon township, for three and one-half years. He married Maria Hartman, of Hanover township. They had six children, namely: Henry T.; Edwin C.; Mary, wife of Frank Brader; Sarah, married Edwin Freed; Yingling, of Allentown; and a daughter who died in infancy.

Henry T. Kleckner, son of James, was born in Allentown, June 23, 1833. He has spent all of his life in Allentown, except about five years. Early in life he was a cigar-maker, but later was engaged in the lumber business until the great



fresket of 1862, which caused him a heavy loss. In 1865 he was elected a justice of the peace of the old First ward; this office he served for twenty-five years, and afterward he was a notary public for twelve years. During the early seventies he moved into his own home, No. 17 North Third street, and there he has continued to reside ever since. He married Mary A., daughter of Asa and Susan (Moser) Grammes. She died Jan. 25, 1900, aged 57 years. Their union was blessed with the following children: Ulysses, of Allentown; Minnie B., married Bryan O'Neill; Alice, unmarried; and Amelia, the wife of Rev. J. C. Rausch, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, Allentown.

ULYSSES GRANT KLECKNER, engineer of the Allentown Fire Department, was born Feb. 4, 1864, in the Kleckner homestead in the First Ward, on the site of the present Arbogast & Bastian plant, the son of Henry T. Kleckner. He attended the schools of the First ward and at the age of 14 years left home and went to Egg Harbor, Mich., where he was a clerk in a store for two years. In 1881, he returned to Allentown, and learned the machinist trade in the L. F. Grammes & Co. shops. He was then employed as a foreman in the wire mill for two years, when he returned to the Grammes shops. He remained there until 1892, after which he became connected with the Allentown Fire Department and his first run was to the great Breinig and Bachman fire. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran church and has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since the age of 21 years. He is also a member of the K. & L. of H.; F. O. E.; and Order of Moose; and is a Republican in politics. He married, Sept. 11, 1887, Mame, daughter of William H. Hilliard. They had two children: Hazel, who died Feb. 13, 1908, aged four years; and Henry R., born April 7, 1880, who married Florence G. Fatzinger, and has one child, Robert H.

William H. Hilliard, father of Mrs. Kleckner, was born in 1843, and secured his education in the Allentown schools. He began the trade of a shoemaker, but at the outbreak of the Civil War, enlisted as a private in Co. I, 1st Penna. Vol. Inf., for three months, and on the expiration of this term re-enlisted on Jan. 14, 1862, in Capt. E. P. Rhoads' Company B, of the 47th Regiment, and served three years.

After the war he was employed at the Allentown Rolling Mills and was subsequently appointed high constable of the borough and later chief of police. He was then employed as a fireman by the Adelaide Silk Mills for a time, after which he opened a hotel at 627 Gordon street, which he kept for nineteen years and where he died, July 30, 1913. He was a member of the

Reformed Church and in politics a Republican. He married Emma Sweitzer and had seven children: Mame, born June 4, 1867, married Ulysses G. Kleckner; Jennie, wife of Irvin Hunsicker; Robert; Harry, Matilda, and Sally, all three deceased; and Eva.

John Hilliard, father of Wm. H., was born June 28, 1801, in Forks township, Northampton county, where he was a farmer. He removed to Allentown in 1849, where he died at his home on Union street, Sept. 19, 1875, and was buried in Union cemetery. He was a member of the Reformed Church and a life-long Democrat. He married Sarah Reimer, who died in September, 1879. They had ten children: Sabina, wife of David Edelman, of Palmer township, Northampton county, where she died in 1893; Catharine M., wife of Hiram Delp, of Allentown, where she died Dec. 25, 1874; Sarah, married Jacob Cleaver and died in Allentown in July, 1912, aged 82 years; Matilda, born Oct. 22, 1831, married Lafayette Knerr; Louisa, married Daniel Smith and died in Allentown in 1897, aged 61 years; Susan, married Thomas Snyder and died in Allentown in 1885, aged 52 years; Reuben A., who was a member and second lieutenant of Co. B, 47th Regiment, in the Civil War, and who died in California; William H.; Ella, wife of George Engleman, of Allentown; and Emma R., who married William Labold. Abraham Hilliard, father of John, was of English descent and died in Forks township. **His children were:** John; William; Abraham; and Margaret, wife of William Snyder, of Nazareth.

Daniel Kleckner, son of Solomon and Catharine (Kurtz) Kleckner, was born May 20, 1823, in Lehigh county. He was a slater by occupation, and resided in North Whitehall township. He died at Cementon in 1902, aged seventy-nine years. He was buried on the cemetery at Egypt, having been a member of the Lutheran congregation.

On Jan. 23, 1848, he married Carolina Yantz, a daughter of Reuben and Margaret (Brown) Yantz. She was born Dec. 11, 1829, died Dec. 17, 1895, aged 66 years, and 6 days. They had the following children: Levi A., born Aug. 28, 1848, married Elmira Frantz; Lucinda, born Jan. 25, 1850, married Henry Frantz; Valentine, born March 29, 1852, married Martha Newhard; Catharine, born March 21, 1857, married Theodore Steckel; Sarah, born July 2, 1859, married Joseph Kline; Carolina, born Dec. 22, 1862, married Henry Peters; Manavilia, born May 26, 1865, married John Kern; Amos, born Aug. 14, 1867, died July 8, 1869; Mary, born Jan. 21, 1870, married John Mehrkam.

Levi Amandes Kleckner, son of Daniel, was born Aug. 28, 1848, in North Whitehall town-

ship, Lehigh county. He was a railroader and stationary engineer for many years. He lived in North Whitehall township until about seven years before he died, when he removed to Egypt, where he died March 28, 1910, aged sixty-two years. He is buried at Egypt.

About 1870, he married Elmira Frantz, a daughter of Daniel Frantz, of Lehigh county. She still lives and has her home with her son, John Kleckner, at Egypt. They had nine children, namely: Cora, married to Francis Kern; Louisa, married to Joseph Kern; Minnie, Barbara, both died in infancy; Levi H., history follows; Amos, married to Emma Helfrich; Allen, married to Gertrude Yorgey; John; and George, married to Ella Moyer.

LEVI HENRY KLECKNER, real estate and insurance broker, with offices at 615 Turner street, Allentown, was born in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Jan. 1, 1877. He was educated in the public schools of his native township, and later entered the State Normal School, at Kutztown, Pa., where he graduated in 1899. After teaching school for three years at Schnecks-ville, Pa., he came to Allentown in 1902, and registered as a law student in the office of James L. Marsteller; later on he drifted into the real estate and insurance business, which he has followed in a successful manner ever since. His offices are most handsomely equipped for his line of business. They contain an extensive law library and one of the finest private libraries stocked with choice selections containing all the standard works.

#### KLEINTOP FAMILY.

Members of this family have been natives of Carbon county for a number of years. Charles Kleintop resided on Bank street, Lehigh county, where he died Dec. 25, 1911, aged 93 years. He was a member of the Weissport Reformed church, and a miller by trade. He was married to Henrietta Smith, who died at the age of 70 years. Among their children were John, born Oct. 30, 1851, died Jan. 4, 1899; and James, W., who was born in 1843, and died March 21, 1891. He was a carpenter and painter by trade. He resided at Berlinsville for eight years and at the time of his death he resided at Lehigh county. He was married to Elemanda Walt, a daughter of Thomas Walt, of Slatington. She now resides with her son, Stewart, and daughter, Grace. Eight children were born to this family: Lillie, wife of Robert Meck, of Siegfried, Pa.; Oliver, silk worker, of Walnutport, Pa.; Erastus C., mentioned below; Albertus, electrical engineer at Schenectady, N. Y.; Laura, wife of John Cul-

bertson, of Allentown; Stewart, silk worker at Slatington; Quincy, died in 1893; and Grace, at home with her mother at Slatington.

ERASTUS CHARLES KLEINTOP, chief engineer with Grammes & Sons, was born at Lehigh county, March 28, 1880. He was educated in the public schools of his native place. His father having died when he was but eleven years of age, he went to work on the farm, where he was employed for three years, after which he worked in the slate factory at Walnutport for three years. at Hembach, Pa., he was employed as engineer for two years. Later he moved to Slatington, where he was employed in various capacities, first as running truck, later as slate dresser and slate splitter. In February, 1906, he entered the employ of the American Steel and Wire Company as engineer in Allentown, and continued there until July, 1910, since which time he is employed by L. F. Grammis & Sons.

He is a member of the Reformed Church and politically he adheres to the principles of the Socialists. He is a member of Washington Camp, No. 119, of Slatington, P. O. S. of A., and the Royal Order of Moose, No. 129, of Allentown.

He was married to Elenora J. Riedy, a daughter of John and Fianna (Remaley) Riedy, of Slatington, on March 18, 1898. This union was blessed with three children: Ida, born Oct. 5, 1899, died Sept. 19, 1900; Verna E.; and Evelyn M. R.

#### KLEPPINGER FAMILY.

Johann Georg Kleppinger was born March 25, 1707, in the Palatinate, Germany. He emigrated to America on the ship "*St. Andrew Gally*," which landed at Philadelphia, in September, 1737. On the list of passengers recorded in the *Penna. Arch.*, his name is given as George Kleppinger; and Rupps History of 30,000 Names, records him as Johan George Kläppinger. He became one of the pioneer settlers of Northampton county and at the time of his death on Aug. 22, 1786, he lived in the vicinity of the Stone church, located on the line of Lehigh and Allen townships. His family consisted of six sons and four daughters as follows: (1) Lewis, born Sept. 16, 1740, died Nov. 11, 1827; is buried at the Stone church. (2) Johann. (3) Frederick. (4) Johann Heinrich, born Jan. 25, 1747, died Feb. 6, 1796; is buried at the Stone church. (5) Anthony. (6) George. (7) Mrs. George Nagle. (8) Mrs. John Nagle. (8) Mrs. John Dreisbach. (10) Mrs. Conrad Solt.

The Union Church Book of the Lutheran and Reformed congregations in Moore township, Northampton county, contains the following entries:



"Communicants who partook Holy Communion on X X L V. S. P., Trin. 1769, for the first time."

Anton Kleppinger.

"The following have gone oftener."

George Kleppinger and Julia, his wife.

Jonathan Kleppinger.

Frederick Kleppinger.

Henry Kleppinger.

George Kleppinger.

"Anno, 1768, parents, John Kleppinger and wife, Margaretha, child, Mary Catharine, born April 13, baptized May 8, sponsors, John George Nagel, and Mary Catharine Kleppinger."

"Anno, 1769, parents Ludwig Kleppinger and wife, Mary, child Mary Barbara, born March 1, baptized March 26, sponsors, Frederick Kleppinger and Mary Barbara Best, both single."

The *Pa. Arch.* record the following as having served from Northampton county, in the Revolutionary War; John, Ludwig (Lewis), Peter, Frederick, and Henry Kleppinger.

Johann Henry Kleppinger, son of Johann Georg, made his last will and testament Jan. 12, 1796, and it was probated Feb. 9th, of the same year. At the time of his death he was a yeoman in Allen township. He made ample provision for his beloved wife, Anna Mary, who among other items, she was given one clock, an iron stove, walnut desk, walnut table, etc. He had a farm of 122½ acres, located in Allen township and left a very large estate. Items of his will follow:

"To the elders of the Lutheran congregation in Allen township, twenty-five pounds to be out on interest, and the interest is to be paid yearly for the schooling of poor children at the school-house near the meeting house. And unto the trustees of the school-house which is built on M. Siegfried's land, I give the sum of twenty-five pounds, said money to be put out on interest to be applied to the schooling of poor children in said school.

"My large Bible I give unto John Nagel."

"My wife shall keep my books."

"I give to my brother Lewis 500 pounds of lawful money."

"I give to my brother John 500 pounds of lawful money. He had a son Henry and a daughter Mary."

"I give to my brother Frederick 500 pounds lawful money, and unto his son, Anthony 20 pounds.

"I give to Elizabeth Donart 25 pounds."

The will speaks of Anthony Kleppinger, a son of "my brother" Lewis; of John George Kleppinger, son of "my brother" John; also of George and Anthony Kleppinger as "my broth-

ers"; and of "my brothers-in law," George Nagel; John Nagel and John Dreisbach.

"My nephew, John George Kleppinger, (son of my Brother John), who now lives in Southampton township, Franklin county, Pa., shall obtain the balance of my estate after my dear wife Anna Mary shall have passed into her reward."

This long and interesting will is of record in the court house at Easton, Pa., in Will Book 3, p. 27.

Johann Georg Kleppinger was born Feb. 4, 1772, in Northampton county; was confirmed in 1788; was married April 10, 1796, to Anna Maria Lans, born April 9, 1776, died on Feb. 3, 1840, in her sixty-fourth year of age. He died April 8, 1832, in his sixty-first year of age. They are buried at the Stone Church. They had lived in Allen township and were the parents of the following children:

Margaret, born Jan. 25, 1797, m. Peter Leisenring.

Elizabeth, born April 14, 1799.

Anna Maria, born May 13, 1801, m. Emanuel Brown.

Polly, born Sept. 3, 1803, m. Samuel Muffley.

Johan, born Feb., 1806, died aged nearly seventy yrs.

Leah, born Feb. 14, 1808.

Catharine, born Dec. 15, 1810, m. Charles Laubach.

George, born June 22, 1813, died Dec. 23, 1857.

Eliza; Lydia; Sarah, born Feb. 12, 1818; m. John

Pathborn, m. Gabriel Shirey.

Joseph, born June 18, 1821, died at Weaversville.

John Kleppinger, son of Johann George, was married and had these children: Maria, Jacob, Hannah, married William R. Lawfer; Sarah, married to John Miller; John; Amandus; and Belinda, married to Francis Fenicle.

George Kleppinger, son of Johann George, was born June 22, 1813, in Northampton county. He was a farmer in Allen township and owned the farm upon which the Bonneville Cement Company is now located. He died on Dec. 23, 1857. He was married to Maria Newhard, and they had the following children: Louisa; Samuel, died at Bath; Stephen, was killed in the battle of Gettysburg, and is buried among the unknown; David K.; Joseph was killed in the battle of Gettysburg, but has a tombstone and was a member of the One Hundred and Fifty-Third Regiment; Eliza; and Amanda.

David K. Kleppinger was born in 1841 at Allentown. He is a shoemaker at Allentown for more than twenty-five years. He came to Allentown permanently in 1864. He married Matilda, daughter of William Johnson. They have three sons, viz.: George W.; Charles B.; and Harry U.

Joseph Kleppinger, son of Johann Georg, lived and died at Weaversville. He was married and had the following children: Ellen, Frank,

George, Elenora, William, and Edwin. The daughters are now deceased and all the sons have settled out West, excepting Frank.

David Kleppinger was a farmer upon his father's homestead near Cherryville, in Northampton county. He was married to Lovina, a daughter of Joseph Kuntz. They had thirteen children, four of whom died very small. They were: Louisa; Joseph; James; Annie; Jeremiah; George; Sarah, married to Dr. N. Ritter, of Allentown; Adina, married to Frank Dreisbach; and Thomas.

Joseph H. Kleppinger was born Nov. 3, 1844 in Lehigh township. He was a mechanic but sold iron fences at Catasauqua to which place he moved in 1896, from Siegfried, Pa. He was married to Mary, a daughter of John Gemmel. They had ten children, seven of whom survive as follows: John, Charles, Katie, Herbert J., Wilmer, Raymond, and Samuel.

Herbert J. Kleppinger, public accountant of Allentown, was born Aug. 9, 1881. He was educated in the public schools; was graduated from the Catasauqua high school in 1899. He followed clerical work at Catasauqua and Allentown; and for a time was the senior accountant of the North American Audit Company until their removal from that city. On Feb. 1, 1912, Mr. Kleppinger opened up offices as a public accountant in the Hunsicker building.

On Oct. 29, 1909 he was married to Mary E. Cawley, a daughter of Cyrus and Diana (Carl) Cawley, of Allentown.

Elias Kleppinger, son of Ludwig, was born April 19, 1782, in Lehigh township, Northampton county; and there in the vicinity of Cherryville, he owned four large farms. Samuel Kleppinger, his son, obtained the homestead, and from him it passed to Elias Kleppinger, a son of Samuel. The latter owned it until recently, when he sold it to D. George Dery, the present owner. The elder Elias Kleppinger was possessed of much valuable property in Allentown. He owned the south side of Hamilton street, from Fifth to sixty feet west of Church street. He died on April 28, 1842, at Cherryville, being one of the very substantial men of that section.

He married Sybilla Kuntz, born Jan. 7, 1787, and died on Sept. 19, 1869. Both were Lutheran members of the Stone church and are buried there. Their children were as follows: Mrs. Daniel App; Mrs. Abraham Lerch; Samuel; and Stephen.

Stephen Kleppinger, son of Elias, was born in 1822. He was a farmer in Lehigh township where he owned the slate-dam farm which had been one of his father's properties. Afterward he formed a partnership with John C. Anewalt

and for twelve years the firm of Anewalt and Kleppinger conducted the Adam Laubach store at Siegfried. Later Mr. Kleppinger was proprietor of the Whitehall (Cementon) hotel for a period of fifteen years, when he retired and resided at Cementon for five years longer. He then moved to Allentown where he died in 1896, at the ripe age of seventy-four years. He was actively identified with the state militia, and had been a lieutenant in Captain Thomas Ruch's troop for a number of years.

He was married to Elizabeth, a daughter of Peter Anewalt. She was born in 1824, died in 1892, aged 68 years. They had the following eight children:

Amandus, of Zionsville.  
George H., whose history follows.  
Milton S., of Philadelphia.  
Amanda, married John M. Koehler.  
Annie L., married Llewellyn German.  
Valentine H., of Allentown.  
Sarah, married Frank King.  
William F., of Allentown.

Mrs. King and Mrs. German reside in Philadelphia.

GEORGE H. KLEPPINGER, wholesale grocer and prominent citizen of Allentown, was born Jan. 26, 1848, in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pa. After attending the common schools until he was eighteen years old, he became a clerk in the general store of Adam Laubach, at Siegfried. He remained there for five years, then came to Allentown and accepted a similar position with Lawfer and Steckel, a leading mercantile house in Allentown at that time. He was employed by the latter concern until 1873 at which time he formed a partnership with A. M. Springer, and H. A. Stillwagon, under the firm name of A. M. Springer & Co. They conducted a general store for fifteen years, located at the southwest corner of Seventh and Hamilton streets. In 1887 he established the firm of George H. Kleppinger & Co., wholesale grocers, at No. 34 North Seventh street and in 1895 moved to Seventh and Linden streets, the present location of the firm. Their business, established and prosperous, extends throughout the greater part of eastern Pennsylvania.

Mr. Kleppinger has been a director of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company since 1905, and is a large real estate owner of Allentown.

He is a member of St. John's Lutheran church, having served it as a deacon and elder. As a Mason and Knight Templar, he is connected with the following bodies: Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., Allen Chapter, No. 203, and Allen Commandery, No. 20, all of Allentown.

In 1873 he married Clara J. Laubach, a daugh-



ter of Adam and Carolina (Laury) Laubach, of Siegfried, Pa. They have the following children: 1. Bertha L., married to Rev. Paul Z. Strodach, a Lutheran minister of Philadelphia. 2. Emma L., married to Allen V. Heyl, a member of the firm of G. H. Kleppinger & Co., of Allentown. 3. Miriam L., married to Allen W. Hagenbach, Esq., of Allentown. 4. Samuel A., attended Bethlehem preparatory school and Culver Military Academy, Indiana. Since 1912 he has been associated with his father in the wholesale grocery business, at Allentown.

AMANDUS S. KLEPPINGER, son of Stephen and Elizabeth (Anewalt) Kleppinger, was born in Allen township, Northampton county, Jan. 1, 1847. He was educated in the township schools and at the Weaversville Academy, and as a young man became a clerk in his uncle's store at Bath, where he remained ten years, after which he spent some time at Chicago, Ill. He then engaged for a time in the shoe business, after which he became a travelling salesman, first for spices, and later for chemicals, in the territory of Lehigh, Northampton, Berks and Montgomery counties. He remained in this business for 25 years, during 24 years of which time he resided in Allentown. In February, 1910, he removed to Old Zionsville, where he cultivates the 92-acre Mechling farm, which his wife received from her father. Mr. Kleppinger is a member of the Lutheran church in Zionsville, and of the P. O. S. of A. He is also the owner of a cigar factory at Shoenersville, conducted by Reuben Snyder. He married, in 1875, Sallie A., daughter of Anthony and Mary N. (Shimer) Mechling. They have two sons: Barton M., a traveling salesman, residing in Kansas City, Mo., who has three children: Vernon, Sara G., and Robert; and George B., superintendent of a silk mill at Macungie, who married Elizabeth Haltman and has two children: Edward H. and Charles W.

G. BYRON KLEPPINGER, manager of Macungie Silk Mill, was born January 10, 1881 at Zionsville in Lehigh county, and when five years old his parents moved to Allentown where he attended the public school, until he became seventeen years old and then he entered the silk mill and was employed there three years with this preliminary experience in the manufacture of silk he went to Philadelphia and secured employment in the large silk works of Scherr Brothers, at Second and Diamond streets, and continued in this establishment seven years. Then he located at Macungie, in Lehigh county, and with the co-operation of others, organized a company for the manufacture of silk; and since then he has acted as general manager of the plant. (See chap. XIX, Borough of Macungie, Industries).

He is a member of the Artisan Order of Mutual Protection of Philadelphia, Isaac C. Underdown Assembly, No. 35; Perkiomen Lodge, No. 495, F. and A. M., at East Greenville, and Independent Order of Americans, at Allentown.

In 1902, Mr. Kleppinger was married to Elizabeth B. Haltman, a daughter of Hiram Haltman, of Philadelphia, and they have two sons, Edward and Charles.

His father, Amandus S. Kleppinger, is a native of old Zionsville, in Lehigh county, and there he has been engaged in farming, manufacturing cigars, and selling real-estate. He was married to Sallie A. Mechling, daughter of Anthony Mechling, of the same place, and they have two sons, Barton and G. Byron. His grandfather was Stephen Kleppinger, of Whitehall township, farmer, married to Elizabeth Anewalt, and had eight children.

#### KLINE FAMILY.

Philip Wendel Klein, the ancestor of this family, was a native of Germany, and emigrated to America on the ship *Phoenix*, arriving at Philadelphia on October 20, 1744. He settled in Weisenberg township, on a farm about a mile northeast of Seipstown. As early as 1746 his name appears in this section, and on Dec. 5, 1753, he secured a warrant for land, which he sold to his son, John Jacob, on Nov. 10, 1761. Philip Wendel Klein was one of the organizers of the Lutheran congregation at Ziegel church, where his name appears in 1750. His sons were: John Adam, John Jacob, Lorentz, and Peter.

John Adam Kline bought in 1761, from Peter Krimt, a property about a mile above Lyon Valley, which he sold in 1773 to Adam Baer, and removed from the township. John Jacob Kline sold the homestead on April 1, 1769, to Marks Pontius and removed to Salisbury township.

Lorentz Kline, the third son of Philip Wendel, was born Feb. 15, 1735. He married Eva Stettler, daughter of Christopher and Margaret Stettler, and about 1767 removed from Weisenberg township to Salisbury township, where he became the owner of 300 acres of land along the Little Lehigh. He died July 6, 1819. His wife was born Dec. 25, 1740, and died May 21, 1821. They had these children: Anna Margaret, born 1763; Christopher, born 1765; Elizabeth, born 1767; Peter, born 1769; Catharine, born 1772; Henry, born 1775, and Magdalena, born 1779.

Elizabeth Klein, the second daughter, born Oct. 28, 1767, married John Bogert, and died Dec. 18, 1867, aged 100 years, 1 month, and 21 days. Peter Klein, the second son, was born June 11, 1769, and died April 22, 1858. He

married Anna Maria Bogert, who was born Aug. 26, 1776, and died Dec. 1, 1843.

Christopher Kline, eldest son of Lorenz, was born in Weisenberg township, June 3, 1765. His sponsors at baptism were his Stettler grandparents. He cultivated the land owned by his father, who survived him, until his accidental death by the discharge of his gun on Nov. 12, 1809. He married Maria Elizabeth Bogert, who was born Oct. 14, 1774, and died April 12, 1861. Their children were Lorentz, born Aug. 17, 1794; Hanna, born Aug. 9, 1797; Salome, born June 11, 1800; Elizabeth, born May 15, 1806, died Sept. 16, 1830; and Reuben, born Feb. 23, 1809, died Nov. 19, 1897, who married Judith Wieand.

Lorentz Kline, eldest son of Christopher, married Lydia Kemmerer, who was born April 17, 1804, and died Sept. 24, 1879. He was a prosperous farmer and became the owner of three farms. His death occurred May 13, 1882. He had six children: Edwin; Helena (Mrs. John Heinley); Tilghman K., born June 14, 1829, died June 20, 1899; Lydia, (Mrs. William Lerch); Mary A. (Mrs. John Hottenstein), and Benjamin F.

Peter Kline, second son of Lorentz, was born June 11, 1769, and died April 22, 1858. He married Anna Maria Bogert, who was born Aug. 26, 1776, and died Dec. 1, 1843. He built a stone house on his farm in Salisbury, which still stands. His son, Peter, was born Jan. 14, 1801, and died May 10, 1874. He married Anna M. Ritter, born Jan. 14, 1807, died March 29, 1893. Peter Kline, Jr., owned two farms, each over 70 acres, one of which is now owned by Hess Bros. He was a farmer all his life and active in the Salisbury Lutheran congregation, where he was a deacon and elder.

TILGHMAN P. KLINE, son of Peter, Jr., was born in Salisbury, Nov. 8, 1835. He was educated in the local schools and has all his life farmed the Kline homestead. He has served two years as elder and two years as trustee in the Salisbury Lutheran congregation and has served as township supervisor from 1876 to 1878, and again from 1909 to 1914, three years as assistant assessor, and three years as school director, as a staunch Democrat. He married, Aug. 10, 1862, Rebecca, daughter of John Michael and Anna (Bortz) Schoudt, and they had two children: Elenora J., married to Victor A. Reinhard, and Amanda A. R. Mr. Reinhard was born Dec. 4, 1865, and died Dec. 22, 1894, leaving two children: Carrie R., and Raymond E.

Tilghman K. Kline was the owner of 490 acres of land in Salisbury, embracing the greater part of what is now the Twelfth ward, Allen-

town. He was a director of the Second National Bank, and of the Allentown and Coopers Turnpike Co. He was never married.

Edwin Kline, eldest son of Lorentz and Lydia (Kemmerer) Kline, was born in Salisbury township, and in his youth attended the public schools, but completed his education in New Jersey. He then returned to the farm and rendering his father his assistance until he was twenty-five years of age. He married, in 1848, Miss Elemina Seider, daughter of Charles and Lydia (Engleman) Seider. A son, Marcus C. L. Kline, was born to them, March 26, 1855; and Emma Lydia, died in infancy.

Edwin Kline removed to Emaus in 1848, locating on a farm of 150 acres, belonging to his father, where he continued to reside for twenty years. He then removed to Allentown, and installed his family in a house on Hamilton street, near Tenth. He completed the erection of a very comfortable home, in 1873, at 1038 Hamilton street, which he occupied the remainder of his life. When he removed to Allentown, he rented his farm on shares and retired from active business life.

He was deeply interested in city and national politics, and did all in his power for the advancement of Democratic principles. He was a gentleman of pleasing manner and kindly disposition. He was an attendant of the Lutheran Church.

MARCUS C. L. KLINE, was born March 26, 1855 in Salisbury township, Lehigh county. He attended the borough schools of Emaus in that county and was graduated from Muhlenberg College, Allentown, on June 26, 1874; became a full-fledged lawyer on June 5, 1876, and was elected city solicitor of Allentown in April, 1877. He served with exceptional ability as district attorney of Lehigh county from January, 1887, to January, 1890. He was chairman of the Democratic committee of Lehigh county from 1895 to 1899, inclusive, and served as the Democratic congressman from the Lehigh-Berks district in the Fifty-eighth Congress, having relinquished all claim to a further nomination for the time being, so that the rotation agreement with Berks county might be carried out and Congressman Rothermel from that county have the terms agreed upon.

Mr. Kline was prominently identified with the financial affairs of Lehigh county, was a director of the Second National Bank; president of the Lehigh Valley Trust and Safe Deposit Co., and president and founder of the Allentown Trust Co.

Mr. Kline passed his boyhood days on the old homestead and attended the public schools; then



entered Muhlenberg College; graduated in the class of '74. He entered the office of Judge Edwin Albright, studying for two years, and in June, 1876, was admitted to the bar. In 1880, he became city solicitor; in 1886, district attorney; in 1890, was for three years sheriff's solicitor.

In politics he was a Democrat, often serving as a delegate to conventions, and was an alternate to the national convention in Chicago, which nominated Grover Cleveland. He was one of the most prominent lawyers of the Allentown bar, and enjoyed the confidence, respect and regard of the court and of his associates throughout the many years of his extensive practice. He was engaged in many important cases, but whether the issue was large or small, he never swerved from his practice of fair and honorable dealing with the court, his colleagues, his antagonists, or his clients, and has left a clean and enviable record. He worked his way upward by real merit and earnest effort. He was a member of Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M.

Hon. Marcus C. L. Kline married, Oct. 4, 1881, Miss Clara M. Keller, of Allentown, Pa. Their children are Edwin K. Kline and Althea Lucile (Mrs. Claude Shankweiler).

EDWIN K. KLINE, only son of Marcus C. L. and Clara M. (Keller) Kline, was born Jan. 20, 1883, at Allentown. He received his education in the local public schools, Muhlenberg College, and the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1906. He was admitted to the Lehigh county bar, in 1906, to practice in the several courts of the county. He became associated with his father and they enjoyed a large and lucrative practice, until the father's decease, since which time he has continued business alone.

Edwin K. Kline has served as a director of the Allentown Trust Co. since 1911. In politics he is a Democrat. He is a member of Barger Lodge, F. & A. M., and the B. P. O. E. The family attend Christ Lutheran church, of Allentown. He married, June 5, 1907, Marguerite, daughter of George O. and Sallie I. (Brobst) Albright. They have two children: Edwin K., Jr., and Ethel A.

Peter Kline, youngest son of Philip Wendel, was born April 27, 1741, and died December 22, 1819. He married, in 1763, Margaret, daughter of Christopher and Margaret Stettler. She was born Dec. 13, 1741, and died Feb. 26, 1815. Peter Kline bought 260 acres of land from Philip Kleinert, in the southern part of Weisenberg township. A miller by trade, he erected a mill on the property about 1780, which he sold, with

part of his farm, in 1803, to his son, Lorentz. Peter Kline had these children: Margaret, born 1768; Lorentz; Jacob; Jonathan; Henry; Maria, wife of Michael Acker; and Mrs. George Smith. Lorentz Kline was born Nov. 12, 1773, and married Magdalena Knauss. They had no children. He was the owner of Kline's Mill for many years and died June 15, 1868.

Jacob Kline settled about 1806 upon a farm purchased by his father in Lowhill township. He was born Feb. 5, 1781, and died Feb. 11, 1857. He married, in 1803, Susanna Gross, a daughter of Peter Gross, Esq., of Whitehall township. Mrs. Kline was born Aug. 3, 1785, and died Oct. 14, 1872. They are buried at Unionville. Jacob Kline and his wife had fourteen children: Jacob, Maria, Jonathan, Charles, Joseph, Sarah, Catharine, Hettie, Samuel, David, Hannah, Susan, Solomon, and Mary. Maria married Hon. David Laury; Sarah married James Neuhaard; Catharine married Reuben Neuhaard; Hettie married Daniel Nagle, and moved to Ohio; Hannah married Ephraim T. Long; Susan married Josiah Scheirer, and Mary married Charles Deshler.

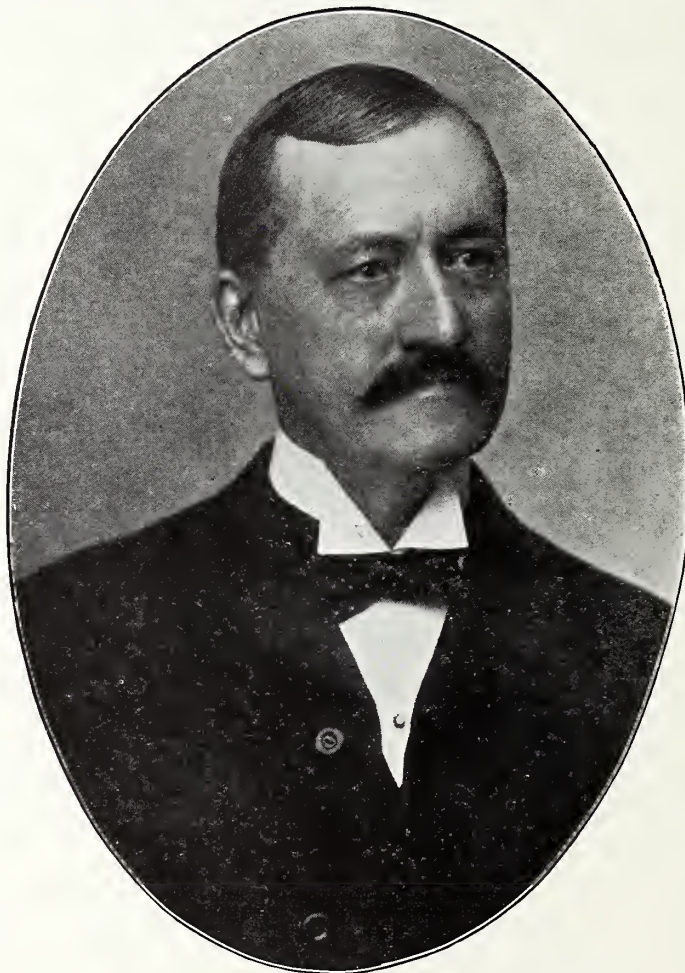
Charles Kline was born in 1811 and died in 1898, in Weisenberg township, where he owned a farm of 170 acres. He married Lovina, daughter of Christian Unger. They had three children: William F., of Maxatawny township, Berks county; Sarah S., wife of Dr. Fred C. Seiberling, of Allentown, and Louisa L., wife of Elias Lichtenwalner.

Joseph Kline was born in Lowhill township, Dec. 24, 1813. He was educated in the local schools and in a private school in New Jersey, after which he learned the milling trade, and in 1848 rebuilt the mill at Lyon Valley, which he operated seventeen years. He planned and built the first threshing machine in the county and invented a machine for cleaning grain and a washing machine, both of which were patented and are now in use. He was also an adept at wood-carving. In 1865, he removed to Allentown, where he died at his residence, 921 Hamilton street, on Dec. 16, 1901. He married Anna, daughter of Joseph Wetherhold, who was born Oct. 5, 1819, and died Feb. 16, 1906. They had five children, three of whom grew to maturity: Emeline, married to John Bower; Maria, married Henry Faust; and Henry A. Kline.

HENRY A. KLINE, son of Joseph and Anna (Weatherhold) Kline, was a native of Lehigh county and was born June 6, 1844. He pursued his preliminary studies at the public schools in the neighborhood of his home, and completed his education by a course in Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The knowl-

edge thus acquired thoroughly qualified him for the position of teacher, in which capacity he served in the public schools of Lehigh, Carbon, and Luzerne counties for the long period of twenty-two years, and since his resignation from that position he had been a teacher of music in Allentown until his death on Oct. 7, 1906.

town, where he gained a high position in the musical circles. He was the director and proprietor of the Lehigh School of Music, of Allentown, which taught the various branches and instruments according to the latest and best methods. Mr. Kline has had numerous brass bands, orchestras, mandolin clubs, and male



*J. A. Kline*

Prof. Kline moved from Slatington, where he had been teaching since 1867, to Mauch Chunk, in 1872. There he continued to teach until 1879, then accepted a similar position at Plymouth and in 1881 he removed to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where he continued his profession with pronounced success until his removal to Philadelphia in 1895. Two years later he settled in Allen-

choruses under his direction in Allentown and the suburbs. He was the director of a Philharmonic orchestra which during its time gave numerous successful concerts; and Mr. Kline held the position of organist and choirmaster in several of the leading churches. From 1896 to 1898 he was supervisor of music in the public schools of South Bethlehem, where his efforts



were most successful. In the years of 1904 to 1906 he was elected recording secretary and vice-president of Local No. 258, American Federation of Musicians Association for Lehigh county, Pa., one of the most prominent from a musical standpoint. He was also elected musical director of the Allentown Local No. 258, A. F. of M. He held membership in the National Music Teacher's League, and his inborn love of the art coupled with his industry and study had made him one of the leaders both in instrumental and vocal music in Lehigh county.

Politically he was an adherent of the principles of the Republican party, and fraternally, he was affiliated with the following-named orders: Mauch Chunk Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, Patriotic Order Sons of America, Knights of Malta, serving in 1891 as deputy supreme commander of the latter in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, the Royal Arcanum, and others.

Mr. Kline was married December 2, 1869, to Amanda Isabella Kuntz, who was born December 3, 1849, daughter of Henry and Violetta (Kern) Kuntz, of Slatington, Pennsylvania, mentioned hereinafter. Mr. and Mrs. Kline were the parents of six children: three of whom are deceased: Herbert Spencer, William Clayton, and Bessie Kuntz. Those living are: Henry J., a graduate from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1892; he married Margaret Eloise Berdan, of Paterson, New Jersey, and one child, Margaret Eloise, has been born unto them. Mabel, who married Walter J. Groves, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and they have three children, Margaret Isabella, Eleanor Kline, and Henry Kuntz Groves; and Anna Violet Elizabeth Kline. Mr. Kline and his family attended the Episcopal Church of the Mediator.

Jonathan Kline, youngest son of Peter and Margaret Kline, was born June 18, 1783, and died Aug. 29, 1868. He owned a tract of 200 acres near Kline's Mill and married Maria Weiler, who was born Oct. 2, 1790, and died Feb. 23, 1869. They had five children: Lizzie, wife of Thomas Shalter; Anna, wife of Sem Grim; Lucetta, wife of Rev. Samuel Hess; Mary, wife of William Kern, and James F. Kline. Lucetta Kline was born Nov. 30, 1816, and died Dec. 15, 1893. She married, Feb. 18, 1840, Rev. Samuel Hess, of Hellertown, who was born Dec. 25, 1804, and died Nov. 23, 1875. They had two sons, Jeremiah S., and Milton J. Jeremiah S. Hess married Tillie Henninger, and has four children: Herbert H., Clara, Mary L., and Samuel.

Hon. James F. Kline was born in Weisenberg township, August 3, 1828. He was educated in the local schools and at schools at Gwynedd, Line Lexington, and Easton. His first employment was as clerk with Pretz, Kern, & Co., of Allentown. The fire of June 1, 1848, destroyed his father's two store buildings and he supervised the erection of the new structures. He then purchased the store of Frank Kern and in 1849 became a partner with Franklin Hersh, but sold out a year later to Daniel Clader. In 1850, with William Kern, he opened a general store at 729 Hamilton street, Allentown. In 1855, he built the Kline homestead at Orefield, where he resided from 1855 to 1899, during a great part of which time he was an iron-ore operator, employing as many as 150 people. He was a member of the Allentown Borough Council in 1854; mercantile appraiser; justice of the peace of South Whitehall, commissioned April 10, 1860; school director for six years; twice jury commissioner; and elected a Democratic member of the state legislature for three terms. He was a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, where he was deacon and treasurer and was a member of Lehigh Lodge, No. 326, F. & A. M. He died Feb. 10, 1899. Mr. Kline married, in 1850, Lydia, daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Guth) Kern, who died Aug. 9, 1884. They had four children: Dr. M. J. Kline; Jonas F. Kline, Esq., prothonotary of Lehigh county from 1887 to 1890, who died Feb. 8, 1891; Elizabeth, wife of Dr. Solon C. B. Fogel, of Allentown, and Maggie, wife of Edwin J. Titlow, of Trexlertown.

DR. MOULTON J. KLINE, of Hoffmansville, was born in Allentown, March 8, 1855. His parents moved to South Whitehall township when he was a child, where he attended the township schools. He was graduated from Muhlenberg College in 1876 and from the University of Pennsylvania in 1879. In the same year he located at Hoffmansville, where he built up a large practice, and resides in the homestead built by his father in 1855. He was the physician-surgeon for the Lehigh county home from 1879 until 1892 and also served as pension surgeon for the government under the first administration of President Cleveland. Dr. Kline is a member of the Lehigh County Medical Society and ably served South Whitehall township as school director. During his administration a modern schoolhouse was built and the standard of education was advanced. He is a member of Lehigh Lodge, No. 326, F. & A. M.; Allen Chapter No. 203, R. A. M., and Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T. He and family are members of Jordan Lutheran church.

Dr. Kline married, in 1876, Eliza M. C. Bal-

liet, daughter of Horace Balliet. They have these children: Katie, wife of Charles S. Wolfe, of Allentown; Mabel, wife of Dr. William J. Lowright, of Center Valley; Gertrude, wife of A. V. Weaver; Joseph C., of Allentown, and Mary A., who resides at home.

Andrew Kline was born in Weisenberg township in 1805, and died on his farm in 1868. His farm, consisting of 106 acres, was located near Werley's Corner, and was later owned by H. W. Kline, a grandson. Mr. Kline was married to Leah Werley, a daughter of Nicholas Werley. He was a Lutheran member of the Weisenberg church, where he and his wife are buried. Their children were: Mary, who married Jonas Kressley; John; Fianna; Peter; Sarah and Polly, twins, the latter of whom married William Kistler; Daniel W.; and Jacob, of Fleetwood.

John Klein, son of Andrew, was born on the homestead. He succeeded his father to the homestead and continued farming it until his death. He was a Democrat in politics, served as school director of Weisenberg and was a member of the Lutheran Church of that place. He married Louisa Weiss, a daughter of Henry Weiss, and they had two children: Henry W., and Tevillia, who married W. F. Brobst, a merchant at Lynnville.

Peter Kline, a son of Andrew, was a farmer in Greenwich township, near Grimville, and made a specialty of bee-keeping. In 1888 lightning destroyed his barn, including a part of the year's crops. Mr. Kline was of a quiet, modest disposition, and he and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of Grimville church. His wife was Mary Hertzog, and they had these children: Katie, who married Benjamin Levan; Charles E., a railway mail clerk, residing at Harrisburg; and Ida.

Daniel W. Kline, a contractor and builder at Kutztown, was born May 9, 1843. He learned the carpenter trade and followed this occupation at Fogelsville and Trexlertown until 1876, when he removed to Kutztown. He employs twenty men and does the carpenter work at the State Normal School; built St. Peter's church in Richmond township; the Trinity and St. Paul's churches at Kutztown; and the Reformed and Lutheran Church, at Bowers.

Mr. Kline served as councilman and school director in his town. He was married in 1871 to Maria Steininger and they have two children: Minnie, who married William Sander, and Annie, who married Arthur Malone.

HENRY W. KLINE, proprietor of the Allentown garage and sales agent for the Mitchell and Marathon cars, is a native of Weisenberg, and was born August 15, 1872. He was reared to

the pursuit of an agriculturist and in 1894 succeeded his father to the Kline farm, near Werley's Corner, which he conducted until 1912, when he disposed of his farm stock and moved to Allentown. Mr. Kline was a successful potato farmer, having raised 4,000 bushels in 1912. Politically he is a Democrat and served his township as a school director, and under the delegate system was delegate to the county convention. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. In 1893 he was married to Minerva Rauch, daughter of William and Lucy (Werley) Rauch. They have these children: Clayton A., who was graduated from Weisenberg township public school in 1909 and attended the Allentown Preparatory School, and now assists his father; Edna M., and Charles F.

Daniel Kline was a farmer at Vera Cruz, in Upper Milford township, Lehigh county. He lived in the old stone house, built in 1834. He married Rebecca Mohr. Issue: (1) Julia Ann (Mrs. Henry Biehm); (2) Sarah (Mrs. George Moyer); (3) Amandas; (4) Daniel; (5) George; (6) Mary A., died, aged 23 years; (7) James, died, aged 12 years.

Amandas Kline, son of Daniel and Rebecca (Mohr) Kline, was born in 1836 on the old homestead, where he passed all his life. He died in 1889. He married Amelia Schantz. Issue: (1) Amanda (Mrs. Oscar Reinhart); (2) Annie Maria (Mrs. Alfred LaRose); (3) Rev. Harvey James; (4) William A.; (5) Milton S.; (6) Wayne A.; and (7) Daniel F. Kline.

Rev. Harry James Kline, son of Amandas and Amelia (Schantz) Kline, was born Sept. 30, 1869 on the old homestead, near Vera Cruz, Upper Milford township. He spent his boyhood days upon the farm and attended the public school; the select school at Emaus, Schuylkill Seminary, Keystone Normal School, and at Perkiomen Seminary.

In the fall of 1887 he began his career as a teacher, and taught five successive terms in his home township, and also several terms at Seidersville, Pa. He became a member of the United Evangelical Church in 1886. In February, 1898, he was licensed to preach and was first stationed at Locustdale, Pa., then at Danielsville, Palmerston, Kutztown, and Akron, Pa. He married, Aug. 22, 1895, Ella J. Yeakel, daughter of William and Lucinda Yeakel, of Old Zionsville, Pa. Issue: (1) H. Claude, born Nov. 21, 1898, died in infancy; (2) William Alfred, born May 5, 1900, at Locustdale, Pa.; (3) Harvey James, born Jan. 22, 1902; and (4) Merle A., born March 8, 1905, at Palmerton, Pa.

William A. Kline, son of Amandas and Amelia (Schantz) Kline. He was reared upon the farm



and educated in the public schools. He then learned telegraphy at Vera Cruz, and followed this vocation for five years at Atlantic City division of the P. & R. R. R. and was 12 years at Dillingers. He bought the old David Misselman home at Vera Cruz, where he now resides. He is a member of the Evangelical Church.

WILLIAM A. KLINE married May W. Body, daughter of Samuel S. and Susanna (Kline) Body. Issue: (1) Hilda, married Morris H. Heil. Issue: Chalmers K.; (2) W. Stanley, married Esther Miller; (3) Amelia M.; and (4) George S. Kline.

Wayne A. Kline, son of Amandus and Amelia (Schantz) Kline, was born at Vera Cruz, Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, and was reared upon the homestead and was educated in the public schools. He became a farmer on a 60-acre tract near Vera Cruz, which he carries on in connection with work as a carpenter, painter, and undertaker.

He married Estella A. Walter, daughter of Edwin and Mary Walter.

Reuben Kline was born in Upper Milford township and was reared upon the farm and educated in the public schools. At an early age he was employed in Shulers creamery for a period, then was for thirty-five years on the Kline farm in Salisbury township. He married Julia Wieand. Issue: (1) Charles B.; (2) David W.; (3) Elizabeth (Mrs. Henry Bieber); and (4) Rebecca (Mrs. Augustus Reinhart).

Charles B. Kline, son of Reuben and Julia (Wieand) Kline, married Sarah Lichtenwalner, daughter of Levi and Rachel Lichtenwalner. Issue: (1) Stella (Mrs. Amandus Shuler); (2) George R.; (3) Alice J. (Mrs. Asa Neimeyer, of Allentown); and (4) Minnie (Mrs. Edward Strauss).

George R. Kline, son of Charles B. and Sarah (Lichtenwalner) Kline, married Sabilla, daughter of George and Sarah Lichtenwalner. Issue: Minnie Kline.

John Kline was a resident of Berks county, near Reading, Pa. He had a son, John, who married Hannah Reinsmith. They had a son, David R.

DAVID R. KLINE, son of John Hannah Kline, was born in 1841, at New Jerusalem. He was educated in the public schools of Reading, Pa. Upon reaching manhood he was first employed in a foundry and machine shop, owned by a Mr. Jackson, the father of his first wife. He next became connected with the Reading Car Co., as a shopman, and subsequently was with Hyde, Kline, & Co., of Ridgway, Pa., up to the year 1889, when he removed to Allentown, where he

became associated with Milton Knauss and Mr. Keck, as the Kline Hardware Co. They built a factory and manufactured sash weights, pulleys, etc. They built up a successful business. He served for three months in the Civil War, enlisting in Co. B, 53rd Regiment, under General Frantz Siegel, Captain Lehman, and Major Becker. He was a member of Barger Lodge No. 333, a Knights Templar, and a member of Zion Reformed church. He was a superintendent of the Sunday school, and also a teacher therein. He also served as a school director. He died Sept. 22, 1912, and was interred in Fairview cemetery.

David R. Kline married (first) Miss Jackson. Issue: Mrs. R. A. Cortright, of Ridgway, Pa.; and Annie J. Kline, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. Kline married (second), April 17, 1888, in Allentown, Clara M. Knauss, daughter of Ephraim M. and Mary (Kline) Knauss. Mr. Kline owned and operated a 64-acre farm, located back of the Fountain Hotel, which was sold to Mosser & Grim.

Mrs. Clara M. Kline is a scion of the Hillegas family, of whom Michael Hillegas was the first continental treasurer of the United States.

#### KLINGAMAN FAMILY.

Georg Klingaman emigrated to this country on the ship "Phoenix" which landed at Philadelphia, September 30, 1743. It appears that afterward he settled in Allemangel, for in 1752 his name appears among the taxable residents of the district. In 1759 his tax was two pounds sterling.

Peter Klingaman, his son, was a farmer in Albany township in 1790. He then had five sons, two of whom were above sixteen years of age and besides his wife he had one daughter. In 1812, upon the organization of Lehigh county, Jacob, Christian and Michael Klingaman lived in Lynn township.

Jacob Klingaman was settled on a 202-acre farm west of Steinsville, which later was owned by Elias Hoppes. He died there in 1818 and was buried on the place in a private burying-ground. His grave is marked with an uncut stone. His wife gave birth to a posthumous child, which was named Jacob, the birth having occurred on June 12, 1818, and he inherited the homestead and spent all his life there as a farmer. He built the barn in 1842, and the dwelling in 1857. He served as a deacon, elder and trustee of the Reformed congregation at the Jacobs church in Jacksonville.

His wife was Elizabeth, daughter of John Kistler (commonly known as "Fat John") of Lynn township. She was born November 19, 1819, and died April 1, 1887, aged over 67,

years. He died April 15, 1878, in his 60th year. Both were buried at Jacksonville. They had thirteen children: Mary (who died young), Lewis E., Emelina (who was married to the late Dr. Uriah Long), Sarah (m. Amandus Wannamaker), Jacob (a practicing physician, who lived fifteen miles west of Omaha, in Nebraska, and died there, leaving an only daughter), Mary (m. James S. Lutz, now deceased), Maria (m. Eli Hoppes), William (at Tamqua), James (at Steinsville), John (at Allentown), Frank (at Normal Square), Janetta (died when thirteen years old), and Louisa (m. Amandus Ziegler, now deceased).

Michael Klingaman was a farmer in Lynn township. He owned the property which is still in the family name and now owned by Charles A. Klingaman, his grandson. It contains 85 acres. He built part of the stone dwelling on the farm. He and his descendants have been Democrats in politics, and members of the Reformed congregation at the Jacksonville church, where many generations of the family have been buried.

He was born April 1, 1787, and died January 9, 1866, aged 79 years. His wife was Anna Maria Schmidt, born April 25, 1786, and died May 2, 1860, aged 74 years. They lived in wedded life fifty-one years and had five children: Jeremiah, Nathan, Sophia (married to a Stein, who lived in Trumbull county, Ohio), Rachel (m. Henry Stump), and Theresa (1815-1887, not married).

LEWIS E. KLINGAMAN, eldest son of Jacob, was born February 17, 1843. He met an accidental death in May, 1913. His funeral was very largely attended. After the death of his father in 1878, he bought the farm of 30 acres and there he has since lived. This small place was the Jonas Follweiler homestead. He was a prominent Democrat in the county and represented his district before local conventions. He served as a jury commissioner from 1897 to 1900 and also as a school director of the township.

Mr. Klingaman officiated at the time of his death as president of the church council of the Reformed congregation of the Jacobs church, which he had served as deacon and elder. He was married in 1867 to Sarah Harmony, born Aug. 19, 1843. She was a daughter of Samuel and Salome (Wanamaker) Harmony, and they have two children: Edwin S. (born October 17, 1869, a butcher by trade for six years, but since 1903 farmer on his father's farm, his wife, Annie, being a daughter of Samuel K. Hartman, and they had three chil-

dren: Samuel, Clara M., who died in infancy, and Ellen), and Jacob L. (m. Carrie Fetherolf, who live in New York City).

Jeremiah Klingaman, son of Michael, was born May 17, 1821, on the homestead of his father whom he succeeded as owner. He operated a distillery until the Civil War, and then conducted a saw-mill in connection with the farm. In 1872 he erected the present barn. He was a school director of the township for some years and a deacon, elder, and trustee of the Reformed congregation at Jacksonville. He died June 27, 1892, aged 72 years, and was buried in the graveyard of that place.

His wife was Leah Mosser, daughter of Jacob Mosser of Lynn township, born December 9, 1825, and died November 4, 1905, aged nearly 79 years. They had twelve children, all born on the homestead and all living: William, Jacob M., Elvena (m. Joseph Hoppes), John Daniel L., Mary (m. Oscar Leiby), Lizzie (m. Allen Zimmerman), Charles A., Missouri (m. Alvin Schaffer), Lewis, and Susan (m. Morris Smith).

DANIEL KLINGAMAN, son of Jeremiah, was born July 16, 1854. He is now a farmer in North Whitehall, near Ruchsvile. In 1884 he began farming for his father and farmed for eight years in Lynn. In 1892 he moved to North Whitehall and there continued farming until 1902, when he moved upon the farm of the late Hon. William H. Sowden, consisting of 78 acres. This tract was the William Ruch homestead. The dwelling house is a large stone structure and was built about the time of the Revolutionary War or earlier.

Mr. Klingaman and his family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Unionville church, of which he was a deacon. He married Carolina Kerschner and they have seven children: Annie, George H. (m. Sadie Weaver, who reside at Northampton, Pa.), Oliver (m. Flora Flores, who live at Rittersville), Ida, Cora, Edward, and Ella.

CHARLES A. KLINGAMAN, son of Jeremiah, and farmer on the homestead, was born there March 16, 1860. At the age of twenty years he learned the trade of blacksmith at Wannamaker and he followed this occupation until 1890. In the Spring of 1891, he purchased the homestead and has since cultivated it. He owns in connection with the farm, a tract of 21 acres of woodland situated on "Donat's Peak." He farms the place in a modern and successful manner.

Mr. Klingaman was a school director of the township and held all the offices in the Board.







*Martin Klingler*



In 1911 he was elected assessor. He is now serving as trustee of the Reformed congregation at the Jacksonville church, having previously served as deacon and elder.

He was married twice first in 1882 to Amanda, daughter of William Smith, born June 9, 1864, and died January 24, 1899, by whom he had six children: Frederick D., Jeremiah W. (1885-1902), Charles C., Caroline B., Hoyt, and Eva S. and on September 8, 1901, he married a second wife, Alice Weaver, daughter of Nathan H. and Susanna (Kistler) Weaver, by whom he has had no children, but she had had a daughter (Annie H. Greenawald) by a former husband.

Arthur B. Klingaman, son of Jacob M., who was the second son of Jeremiah, is a school teacher of Lynn township. He was born at Steinsville July 6, 1885, and educated in the local schools, at Ursinus College (Collegeville), and also at the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown. In 1903, he began teaching and has since taught every term excepting 1905. He is a member of the Steinsville Camp, No. 288, P. O. S. of A., now filling acceptably the office of district president. In 1909, he was married to Mabel E. Kistler and they have a son, George W.

Leon B. Klingaman, son of Jacob M., was born in Lynn township September 10, 1888, and educated in the township schools until 1904. In 1909 he entered the Keystone State Normal school at Kutztown as a junior, and by his previous preparation was enabled to complete a three year course in two years, graduating in 1911, and serving as the president of his class. He had taught school in the township for four terms, and upon his graduation from the Normal School was tendered a position in the schools of Womelsdorf in the Fall of 1911, which he accepted and is now filling.

#### MARTIN KLINGLER.

Wendeling Klingler was a native of Hecklingen, Gross-Hertzogthum, Baden. He was a musician of note. He was a slide trombone player in Germany, where he was a member of a band, as were also his older sons and two cousins, who came to the United States in 1866. The Klingler family in Germany were all musically inclined. Wendeling Klingler emigrated to the United States in 1866, and his passport, in possession of his son, Martin Klingler, describes him as 5 feet, 6 inches tall, age fifty-seven years, hair brown, forehead high, eyes blue, eyelashes light, nose large, mouth large, chin broad, and teeth good. His wife, Antonia (Bengel) Klingler, was forty-

six years old at the time of emigration, and their children were: Antonia, twenty years old; Xavier, nineteen years; Adolph, sixteen years; Albin, thirteen years; Theresa, ten years; Martin, eight years; and Pius, three years, nine months. All were born in Hecklingen, Gross-Hertzogthum, Baden. They sailed from Havre, France, were forty-four days on the voyage, and landed in New York, August 15, 1866, and at once located in Coplay, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, where resided a sister of Mrs. Klingler, married to John Snyder, who had preceded them to this country by some years. Another sister married Jacob Howler, and resided in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mary Klingler, daughter of Wendeling Klingler, preceded her family here by one year, and resided at Coplay with her aunt, aforementioned, Mrs. John Snyder.

Martin Klingler, postmaster of Allentown, and the popular leader of the famous Allentown band, was born at Hecklingen, Germany, on July 12, 1858, son of Wendeling and Antonia (Bengel) Klingler. He came to this country at the age of eight years, and his education was obtained in the public schools of Coplay. At the age of twelve he took up the study of music on the piano, and at about the same time commenced to play the "Fluegel Horn" in his father's band, composed of twenty-five men. He continued his study of music until the death of his father, in 1872, and he then came to Allentown, where he has since resided. He later was employed in an organ factory, where he played to demonstrate the instruments, and in 1874 he became a member of the "City Band," of which Edward Driesbach was the leader, and Anthony Buch, the instructor. He played E Flat cornet. At the expiration of one year he severed his connection with the city band and joined the "Allentown Band," of which the late William Menninger was the leader, and Lucas Vestermeyer the instructor. He played with this band until 1880, when he was made leader, and after the resignation of Mr. Menninger, and ever since has been the efficient, highly honored and popular leader, and under his excellent guidance the band has developed into one of the highest efficiency and one of the most famous in the state.

Mr. Klingler is a Democrat in politics. In 1887 he was elected to the office of clerk of the Orphans' Court, of Lehigh county, in which capacity he served for three years. He was county chairman of his party from 1900 to 1904, during which period bitter political battles were waged and won. He was elected a member of the common council of the Tenth ward in 1910, and served that office very acceptably until the institution of the commission form of government, in

1913. He was the national delegate from Lehigh county to the Democratic convention at Baltimore, was a strong supporter of President Wilson and was appointed postmaster of Allentown by President Woodrow Wilson in June, 1914. Mr. Klingler is an able official and is a conservative and much esteemed citizen.

Mr. Klingler married, in 1881, Louisa Bickel, daughter of Edward and Caroline (Fisher) Bickel, natives of Baden. They reside at No. 538 North Sixth street, Allentown.

Mr. Klingler has a suite of rooms in the Lentz building, Sixth and Hamilton streets, for many years, where he was engaged in the selling of pianos up to 1913, after which he formed a partnership with J. B. Meyers under the firm name of Klingler & Meyers. They have their salesroom in the "Democrat building" at Sixth and Linden streets. He possesses one of the oldest pianos in the country, which he prizes highly. It belonged to Owen Schreiber; the piano is of oblong mechanism, and has drawers along the side with glass balls for handles. Mr. Klingler also has charge of the music at the Lyric Theatre, in addition to being the musical director of the Allentown band.

#### KLOPP FAMILY.

The Klopp family is one of the old and prominent ones of Berks and Lebanon counties, and some of the members of this family located in 1906, a castle, that still stands, known as Schloss Klopp. In 1702 a number of Palatinates left Germany and through the invitation of Queen Ann came to London. Some of these families came to New York in 1710 and owing to the oppression of Governor Hunter came to Pennsylvania in 1723, locating in the Tulpehocken creek. Among the number was John Peter Glopp, the progenitor of the Klob, Klop and Klupp family. From the records of the Rev. Kochertahl we have the following: Married Sept. 12, 1711, John Peter Glopp, a tailor of Horn county of Simmern, in the Palatinate and Anna Magdalena; widow of the late John Christopher Lutzen, of Klinglen, a minister in the Palatinate.

(1) Peter Klopp (or Glopp) was a Reformed member of the Tulpehocken Church in 1735. Later he, with Rev. Peter Miller, Godfried Fidler, Conrad Weiser, and others, joined a church at Ephrata, Lancaster county, Pa., and at the home of Mr. Fidler, who had first taken up land in Tulpehocken township, burned the Psalms, catechisms and other good books. Before the house of the Tulpehocken brethren (German Seventh Day Baptists) was finished, Conrad Weiser, Hans Michael Miller, Peter Klopff, Godfried Fidler, and several single men and women

went to the settlement at Ephrata. Of these, Weiser, Miller and Klopff later withdrew from the Ephrata settlement, but not so the daughter of Peter Klopff, who remained steadfast. Her monastic name was "Thecla" and is so listed on the roster of the Sisterhood. She died Oct. 6, 1748, probably at Ephrata. Peter Klopp died in 1753. [See Sachse's "German Sectarians of Pennsylvania, 1708-1742."]

(II) Peter Klopp (Klop), son of Peter, born Nov. 22, 1719, died May 22, 1794, and is buried at Hain's Church, where the inscription on his headstone is still legible. His wife, Werrina Becker was born Jan. 24, 1718, died Nov. 13, 1792.

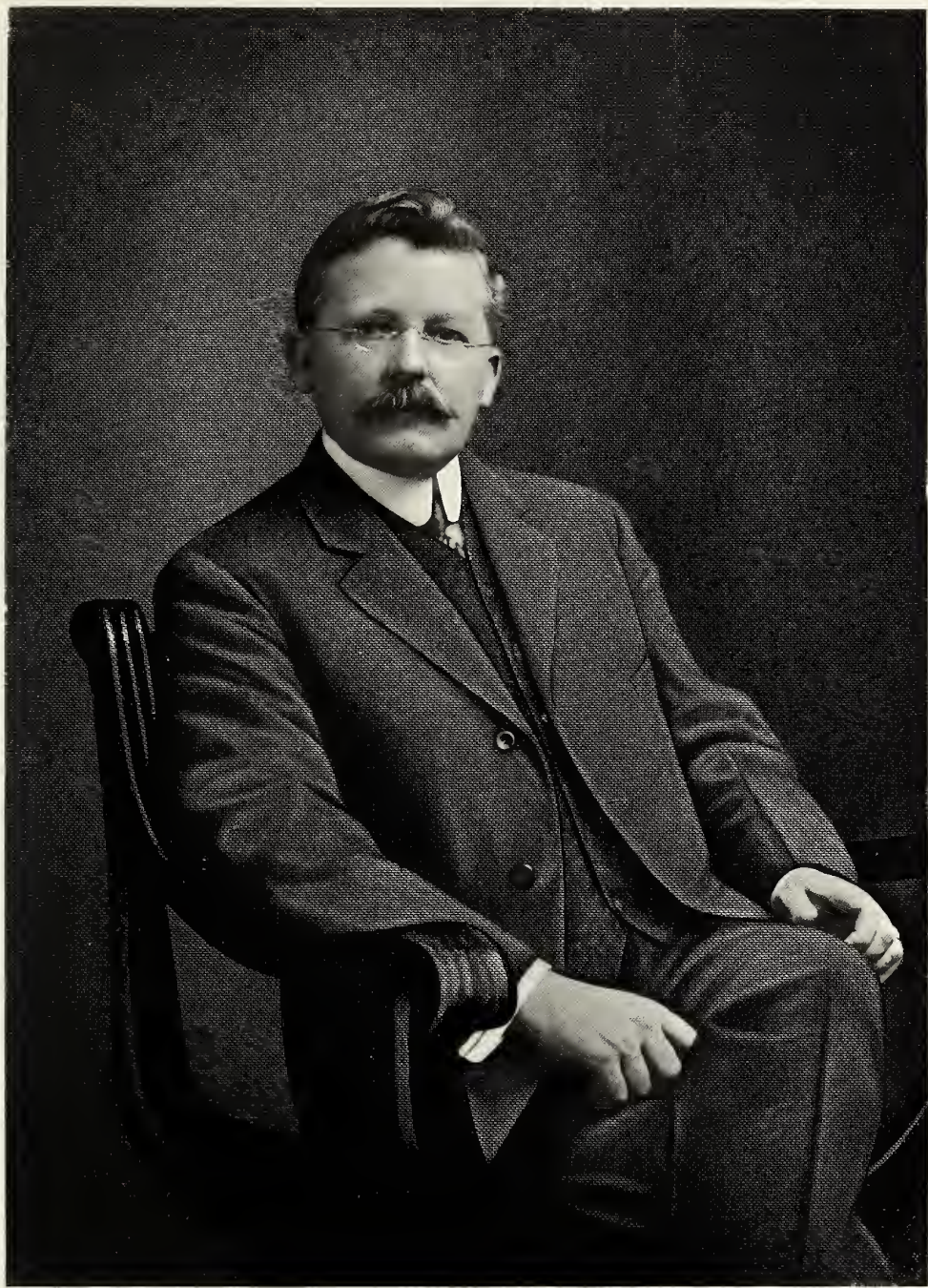
(III) Peter Klopp (3), son of Peter (2) and Werrina, born in Heidelberg, May 31, 1751, died there Feb. 24, 1835, in the eighty-fourth year of his age. He was twice married. His first wife, Elizabeth Hain, died about 1783, the mother of four children, namely: Catharine died aged seventeen years; Elizabeth died aged two years; John Peter is mentioned in full farther on; a daughter died young. The second wife of Peter Klopp (3) was Elizabeth Fidler, born April 28, 1763, died Jan. 10, 1835, a descendant of Godfried Fidler. Fifteen children were born to this marriage.

(IV) John Peter Klopp, born Sept. 11, 1775, son of Peter (3) and his first wife, Elizabeth (Hain), was a lifelong farmer on the old homestead. He died March 13, 1850, aged seventy-four years, six months, two days, and was buried at the Corner Church. He m. Maria Eva Ulrich, born May 20, 1768, died Dec. 13, 1830.

Adam Cobel Klopp, son of John Peter, was born on the old homestead. At an early age he engaged in the grain, coal and lumber business at Stroudsburg and Sheraden. He was regarded one of the finest businessmen of his section. Later on he took his sons in as partners in business and the firm was known as A. C. Klopp and Sons. He was married to Sarah Loose, whose mother was also a Loose. They had the following children: Adam C., Jr., Rebecca, married Ezra Fisher and Jerome.

Jerome Klopp, son of Adam C., was born in Dec. 1844, died July 4, 1909. He followed teaching for a few years, after which he followed farming, and still later he was associated with his father in the grain, coal and lumber business. Like the rest of his family he was a staunch member of the Reformed church. He was married to Catharine Grow, a daughter of Josiah Grow. To them the following children were born. Dr. Henry I.; Charles G., of Philadelphia, associated with the Stephen Green Printing Company; Minnie O. resides with her mother at Sheriden

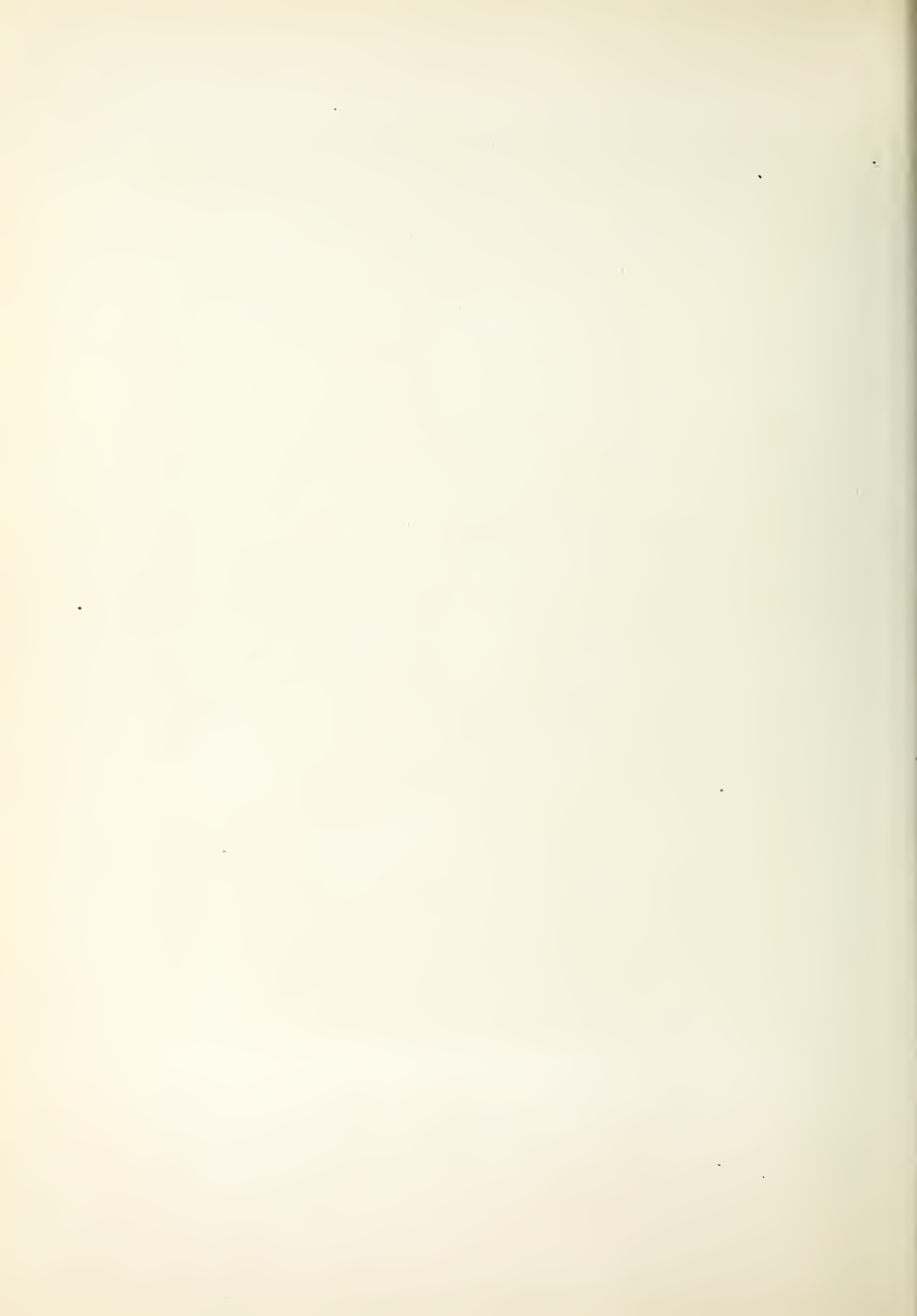




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Henry D. Klopp





on the old homestead, and Anna M., died aged 9 years.

DR. HENRY I. KLOPP, son of Jeremiah and Catharine (Grow) Klopp, is a native of Lebanon county, Pa., and was born near the border line between Lebanon and Berks counties, in Jackson township, Jan. 1, 1870. Dr. Klopp laid the foundation of his education in the schools of his native township, later entering Palatinate, now Albright's College, at Meyerstown, at that time a Reformed institution. His professional training was acquired at Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia, from which institution he graduated in 1894. The first year after graduation was spent as resident physician at the Reading Homœopathic Hospital. In 1895 he was called to the asylum at Westboro, where he was assistant superintendent for a number of years, and also served the superintendency of the institution for ten months during the illness of the head of the asylum.

When the State Homœopathic Hospital for the insane at Rittersville was looking for a suitable superintendent for the institution the Board of Trustees received a number of recommendations concerning Dr. Klopp all of which spoke in the highest praise both of his medical and of his executive ability. His zeal and untiring efforts in the interests of the institution with which he was connected were specially noted. Dr. Klopp has introduced a few new features and methods at the Westboro asylum all of which have attained to all that was expected of them.

He was elected Superintendent Feb. 17, 1912, and entered upon his new duties March 18, 1912.

Dr. Klopp is married to Bessie L. Stump, a daughter of Henry W. Stump and wife, Emma Groff, both of Marion township, Berks county. This union was blessed with two children: Russell I. and Dorothy E.

#### KLOTZ FAMILY.

The ancestor of this family was Jacob Klotz, who emigrated from Utelock, Germany, to America, in 1749, accompanied by his wife, a native of Utelock. He took out a warrant for a tract of land in Lowhill, in March, 1767, and another in November of the same year, lying between the site of the Morgenlander church and the Jordan, now owned by Owen Knerr. They had two sons: John, of whom further, and Caspar.

John Klotz, son of Jacob, was born May 20, 1743, died December 28, 1795. He took out a warrant for thirty acres of land in Lowhill, in February, 1775, and in 1781 he and his brother, Caspar, were assessed on land in Lowhill township. He married Franconia Krouse, who bore

him eight children: John George, of whom further; Jacob, settled in Mahoning township, Carbon county, Pennsylvania, where his death occurred; Christian, of whom further; Daniel, settled in Mahoning township, and there died, he was a twin of Christian; Barbara, Polly, Catharine, Maria.

John George Klotz, son of John and Franconia (Krouse) Klotz, was born May 10, 1777, died October 19, 1848. He took the portion of the old homestead lying near where the Morgenlander church now stands and erected a building thereon, but later moved to Penn township, now Mahoning, Carbon county. He was married and had a daughter, Esther, born in 1810, died in 1852, and George, of whom further.

George Klotz, son of John George Klotz, resided in Lowhill township, and his homestead, located near Weidasville, is now owned by Edwin Klotz, a great-grandson. About the year 1852 he opened a hotel at the old stand, which he conducted until a few years before his death, when he sold the property to his sons, Jesse and George. He was a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, his remains being interred in the graveyard of the same. He married Catherine Buchman. Children: 1. Peter. 2. Abraham, died at age of sixteen. 3. Andrew, born February 10, 1802, died February 19, 1877; was a weaver and lived in Lowhill, near Highland schoolhouse; was a member of the Lutheran Church; married Catherine Semmel, daughter of George Semmel, and had children: Reuben, Edward, Tilghman, Solomon, Willoughby, Elizabeth, Polly, Caroline, all deceased except Willoughby and Caroline. 4. George, born October 24, 1806, died July 24, 1872; he was a house carpenter and later a farmer, having a tract of one hundred and fifty acres; he was a member of the Morganland church and a member of the building committee that erected the edifice; married Hattie Haas, daughter of Peter Haas, and had children: Montgomery, Elemina, Frank, Phaon, Amanda, Mary, Ann, George, all deceased, but the last three named. 5. Stephen, a resident of Lowhill township. 6. William, left when young for Iowa, where he resided many years. 7. Jesse, who had the old homestead, which he sold in 1869 and moved to Allentown, where he resides with his wife and one son; his two daughters also reside at Allentown, one son in Northampton county and another son in Iowa. 8. Joel, of whom further. 9. David, died unmarried. 10. Sallie, married Jacob Miller; resides at Allentown. 11. Elizabeth (Betsey) married Elias Stettler, resides at Allentown.

Joel Klotz, son of George Klotz, was born

on the homestead in Lowhill township, 1813, died 1880, buried at the Morganland Lutheran church, of which he was an active member, serving in the capacity of deacon. He owned a farm on the road leading from Claussville to Fogelsville, where he kept a hotel for many years, and where, in early times, Balzer Fritz, and later, Andrew Shiferstine, kept a store and hotel. He married Sallie Hausman, who died in 1877, aged sixty-one years. Children: 1. Mary A., wife of Joel Peter. 2. Meno, at one time conducted the Klotz Hotel, between Claussville and Fogelsville, and later moved to his farm at Leather Corner Post; married Jemima George; children: Milton, manager of the Union Hotel, Burlington, Iowa; Leidy, of Philadelphia; Robert, of West Liberty, Iowa; Oliver, of Germantown; Mrs. Harry States, of Philadelphia. 3. Maria, widow of Edward Heberley, resides with her daughter, Emma, at Cedarville. 4. Jeremiah, of whom further. 5. Sallie, wife of John George; resides at Weisenberg. 6. Matilda, wife of Tilghman Frey, ex-prothonotary of Lehigh county. 7. Thompson. 8. Richard. 9. Franklin. 10. William, died at age of eight years. 11. Louisa, widow of Frank Good, resides at Allentown.

Jeremiah Klotz, son of Joel Klotz, was a native of Lowhill township, where he resided for many years, following the occupations of saddler and farmer. Later he conducted the Guths-ville Hotel, and subsequently moved to Allentown, where he lived retired until his death. He was buried in Union cemetery. He married (first) Fianna George; one son, Dr. Edgar Klotz, of Northampton, Pa. He married (second) Carolina Seip; Children: Minnie, married George Haines, of Allentown, and Dr. Robert B., of whom further. He married (third) Ellen Gernert; no children.

DR. ROBERT B. KLOTZ, son of Jeremiah and Carolina (Seip) Klotz, was born in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, October 25, 1872. His early life was spent in Guths-ville, and his education was received in the public schools and Muhlenberg College, after which he entered Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, in 1890, from which he graduated in 1893. He then located at Marysville, Ohio, where he was connected with the celebrated Doctors, Charles and William Hamilton. He practiced successfully for one year, when owing to ill health, his parents requested him to return to his native state. In the fall of 1894 he located at Rittersville, where he established a large practice, having been the first physician there. He served as physician of the Lehigh county almshouse for eight years.

In addition to his practice, Dr. Klotz entered the real estate field, becoming one of the promoters of Dixon Park, at Rittersville, and personally sold those lots, which are now practically all built upon. Later he purchased a number of other tracts, which he divided into lots which he readily sold. Through purchase he procured the Frank Texter farm, consisting of fifty-two acres, adjoining the Manhattan Hotel. This property he divided into lots, attended in person to the grading of the streets, and gave lots free to people who agreed to build upon them. Upon this farm was situated an old barn, which Dr. Klotz transferred to the firm of Klotz & Bregenzer, silk ribbon manufacturers, also six lots were made out in their name. This firm, of which Dr. Klotz is the senior member, commenced business with two looms, which number has now been increased to nineteen, and they give employment to thirty-two people. After the installation of seven more looms to the original two, the barn became too small for their use, and the firm built upon the south side of the pike, adjoining Central Park. In 1906, Dr. Klotz erected his residence along the pike, and the residence of his partner is situated two doors west. While Dr. Klotz was engaged in disposing of the fifty-two acre tract, he purchased different tracts of the Jacob Saeger farm in East Allentown, from time to time. This property he also cut into lots, disposing of them at a later date. The dividing of these tracts into lots was always followed by the building of a number of houses. After the lapse of a short time, Dr. Klotz and Herman Hildebrand, of East Allentown, purchased a thirty-two acre tract of land from Jacob Saeger. The land was located in East Allentown, and was also cut into building lots. In 1912 sixty houses were erected on this tract, and it was entirely through the efforts of Dr. Klotz that the silk mill at East Allentown was erected, which at the present time is the largest narrow ribbon mill in the world, and the pay roll of its employees amount to \$17,000 semi-monthly. Dr. Klotz also has the Abbott Fuller farm of eighty acres, situated in Hanover township. In 1911 the firm of Klotz & Bregenzer purchased the Lewis Koch farm, of fifty-three acres, situated on Bath Road, through the center of which the Allentown & Bethlehem Boulevard has been opened.

In 1912 Dr. Klotz purchased the William Fenchel farm at Rittersville, containing thirty-four acres, which lies adjacent to a tract of land consisting of forty-one acres, which the firm of Klotz & Bregenzer, purchased in 1914, which two farms have likewise been cut up into building lots. The Allentown and Bethlehem Boule-





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ward passes through the middle of both farms. Early in the spring of 1914, Dr. Klotz sold five acres of the above land to Legh Meyer, of Bethlehem.

On account of failing health, and owing to his vast real estate transactions, Dr. Klotz disposed of his medical practice to Dr. V. J. Gangewere in August, 1907.

In politics Dr. Klotz is a Democrat. He was a school director and supervisor of Hanover township. During his term of office as a school director and largely through his efforts, the present modern four-room school building was erected at Rittersville, in 1907. He also succeeded in getting the Bethlehem City Water Company extended to Rittersville, and in three days he had secured subscriptions to the amount of \$720.00, a sufficient amount of subscribers to warrant the company to make the extension. Late the following year the people of East Allentown requested him to secure water service for them and he succeeded in doing so. The improvements at Rittersville and East Allentown are due, in a large measure, to the extension of the Bethlehem water company mains. Dr. Klotz served as chairman of the organization and later as president of the first fire company at Rittersville, in all five years. The company was organized largely through the efforts of Dr. Klotz after the fire in 1905 when six houses were destroyed. The company now has a membership of one hundred and twenty-five. They purchased a chemical engine at a cost of \$1,500, and erected an engine house. Dr. Klotz was a director of the Bethlehem Trust Company from its organization up to 1910, when he resigned to accept a similar position in the Citizens' Deposit and Trust Company of Allentown. He is a member of St. Peter's Lutheran church.

Dr. Klotz has been most active in church and Sabbath school work since 1909, at which time he was elected to the office of deacon in the church and superintendent of the Sunday school. He has filled both offices with humbleness and great efficiency ever since. He was a member of the building committee of St. Peter's Lutheran church, Rittersville, which was erected in 1913 and completed in 1914 at a total cost of approximately \$35,000. Dr. Klotz and family contributed the large bell and altar in this beautiful edifice. Mrs. Klotz likewise is most active in religious work and has been the esteemed president of the Willing Workers' Society since its organization in 1906, which has raised since its organization nearly \$3,500.

Dr. Klotz married in 1895 Elizabeth C. Rauch, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Schneider) Rauch, of Marysville, Ohio. Children: Ei-

leen, died in infancy; Paul R., in whose honor his father named a street, in the Fourteenth ward, Allentown.

Christian Klotz, son of John and Franconia (Krouse) Klotz, was born in 1789, and about the year 1814, left his native township, Lowhill, and soon after settled in Mahoning township, now Carbon county, Pennsylvania. Here, in 1816, he married Elizabeth MacDaniel, daughter of Robert MacDaniel, and Elizabeth (Hicks) MacDaniel, a Quakeress. Among their children was Robert, of whom further.

Robert Klotz, second son of Christian Klotz, was born in Northampton, now Carbon county, Pa., October 27, 1819. He received a limited education, attending only during the winter months, and later spent six months at a private school in Easton. At the age of twenty-four he was elected the first register and recorder of Carbon county. In 1846 he enlisted for the Mexican War as lieutenant of Company K, Second Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was afterwards made adjutant of same regiment, under Colonel John W. Geary, serving at Vera Cruz, first and second battles of Cerro Gordo, at the National Bridge, Huamantla, and at Puebla, also in other engagements. In the engagement at the second battle of Cerro Gordo he is honorably mentioned in the war department records, No. 411, by the commanding officer in the affair, and to his experience and enthusiasm is due mainly the success, as is alleged by the officers and men, in the engagement of the National Bridge, in August, 1847.

On his return home, in 1848, he was elected to the Pennsylvania Legislature, and re-elected in 1849. In 1854 he removed to Kansas by special invitation of Governor Reeder, located the town of Pawnee, and was elected president of its building association. He helped to build the first hotel in Leavenworth, the old Shawnee Hotel, in the fall of 1854, and in the following year built the first hotel in Western Kansas, at Pawnee. This house was the stopping place of both parties to the celebrated Free State discussion in Kansas in those early days. He was a member of the Topeka Constitutional Convention, being the first signer of that constitution, and after its adoption was appointed, as a Democrat, secretary of state, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the absence of Hon. Philip C. Schuyler, under Governor Robinson's administration. In 1856 he was one of the celebrated committee of safety to protect the state from invasion, and was appointed brigadier-general of the state troops at Lawrence, where he was associated with Major G. W. Dietzler, Gaius Jenkins, Governor Charles

Robinson and others. He was one of the important factors in the selection of Topeka as the capital of the state, having by his personal influence carried the entire western portion of Kansas in favor of that place, and other important measures then pending. He returned to his native state in 1857, and in 1859 was elected treasurer of Carbon county.

At the breaking out of the Rebellion, in 1861, Mr. Klotz engaged in the United States service for three months under General Patterson. In 1862 he was made colonel of the Nineteenth Pennsylvania Regiment, organized September 15, and discharged September 27, of the same year, serving among other places at Chambersburg, in the emergency. One of the Mexican veterans himself, and one of the vice-presidents for Pennsylvania of the National Association of Mexican Veterans ever since its organization, he has evidenced his interest in the welfare of his old comrades by his ceaseless activity in their behalf in and out of congress. During the extra session of the forty-sixth congress he prepared and introduced a bill for pensioning surviving soldiers of the families of deceased soldiers of the Mexican War.

Mr. Klotz was ever a staunch Democrat. He was elected to the forty-sixth congress from the eleventh Pennsylvania district, and re-elected for the succeeding term. As a congressman he was bold, practical and industrious, more of a worker than a speaker, and respected for his sound, practical views. He was on the committee of mines and mining, also for four years on the committee of District of Columbia, one of the most important, and hence most laborious, committees in congress; his well known characteristics of industry, practicability, and unswerving fidelity being the inducements to his appointment thereon. He was one of the trustees of the Lehigh University, at Bethlehem, and one of the board of managers of the Laflin & Rand Powder Company, of New York.

Mr. Klotz married, in 1849, Sallie A. Lentz, daughter of Colonel John and Mary (Loeser) Lentz, of Carbon county, Pennsylvania. One child, Lentz Edmund, married Emma E. Laubach, daughter of Hon. Joseph Laubach, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, and resides in Mauch Chunk. One child, Robert Klotz.

George Klotz, a farmer, lived near the Morganland church, in Lowhill township. In connection with farming he carried on his trade of carpentering.

He had the following children: Amanda, married to Reuben Helfrich; Frank; Mary, a maiden lady; Ellemina; Anna; George; Frank; and Montgomery, who went West.

Frank Klotz, son of George, a farmer, and lived on an adjoining tract to his father's homestead. His farm is now owned by Edgar J. Klotz, his son, who resides at Guthsville since 1911. He sang in the choir, held various offices in the Morganland church, of which he was a Lutheran member and is buried.

He was married to Lucy Landis and they had these children: Edgar J.; Isador J., deceased; William; Elmer; Hattie, widow of Benjamin Grim; Cora, married to Charles Oswald; and Laura, deceased.

EDGAR J. KLOTZ, of Guthsville, was born Dec. 4, 1862, on the homestead in Lowhill, where he lived and farmed for forty-eight years. The farm is 137 acres and Mr. Klotz made a number of improvements upon it. The present house and barn were built by Frank Klotz. In 1911, he moved to Guthsville, where he bought the Henry Kern house, in which he now resides and is retired. He is a Democrat and was a school director in Lowhill for three years. He and family are Lutherans and the entire family sang in the church choir. Mr. and Mrs. Klotz sang upon the choir for more than a quarter of a century. Mrs. Klotz sings upon the choir continuously since 1872. She was one of the very first organists of the Morganland church.

On Dec. 4, 1883, he married Helena A. Bear, a daughter of Phaon and Mary A. (Buchman) Bear. They have these children: (1) Mamie L., married to R. Kemmerer, merchant of Lyon Valley. They have a daughter, Lizzie H. (2) Howard F., unmarried. (3) Thompson P., married to Helen Betz. They live in Weisenberg township.

#### DANIEL MILTON KNABB.

##### *Knabb Family of Oley Township, of Berks County, Pa.*

The Knabb family of Oley township, Berks county, Pa., was planted in Berks county by three brothers, Michael, John and Peter Knabb, who were born in Pfeldersheim, in the Pfalz District, Kingdom of Bavaria, Germany (which formerly belonged to France, but was restored to Bavaria in 1813). They emigrated to this country about 1737, and so far as is known are the only members of the family to have emigrated from the eastern to the western hemisphere. Michael (born April 17, 1717) settled in Oley township, on the farm now occupied by Samuel B. Knabb, near the Exeter line. The old house was destroyed by fire in the winter of 1816-1817, and the present house was erected the following summer. A family graveyard near the dwelling contains the remains of the three brothers





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and a number of the descendants. John died unmarried in the forty-eighth year of his age; Peter died in the seventy-fourth year of his age, and most of his descendants live in Berks county; and Michael.

Peter Knabb, son of Peter, the emigrant (and great grand-father of Peter H., who in 1907 was a poor director of Berks County), was a farmer in Oley township, and built his home in 1806. He was a member of Spies's Church. The records show he must have been prominent in public affairs, and he was a county commissioner from 1819 to 1822. He married Sarah Herbein, and their children were: William; Nathan, of Oley township, whose children were: Susan, Rebecca, Jacob, Emma (Beidler) and Amanda; and Sarah, who married Daniel Zacharias, of Muhlenberg township.

Michael Knabb married Eva Magdalena Seltzer, the only child of Jacob and Elizabeth Seltzer, on March 15, 1755. He died June 17, 1778, aged sixty-one years and two months, and is buried in the family graveyard in Oley township. They had eleven children, of whom three died in early childhood. The remaining eight all had families and their names follow: Nicholas, Peter, Jacob, Daniel, Susan, Sarah, Catharine and Mary.

Daniel Knabb (son of Nicholas), had the homestead of his father, who in 1800 built a stone house on the farm now owned by Daniel A. Knabb, his grandson. Nicholas Knabb also owned the adjoining farm which was the original stand. The old homestead house was destroyed by fire in the winter of 1816-17, when snow covered the ground to a depth of eighteen inches. The fire occurred at night and the two daughters, Susan and Maria, in their night clothes and bare feet, went to the house of their uncle Daniel who lived away about three city blocks. Daniel Knabb was married to Eleanora Weaver. They had three children, namely: Levi, who died single; Ephraim, and Lucy Ann (m. Isaac Kauffman).

Ephraim Knabb was born in 1828 and died in 1887. He was a farmer and had the homestead of his father, Daniel. He and his wife were members of the Oley Reformed Church. His wife was Deborah, daughter of Daniel and granddaughter of Abraham Knabb. Their children were: Daniel A., and Hannah (m. Mahlon Hoffmaster), who lives on an adjoining farm of Daniel A. Knabb.

Daniel A. Knabb is a retired farmer, residing at Jacksonwald, in Berks county, Pa. He was born in Oley township May 17, 1852. He owns a 117 acre farm that has been in the Knabb family for many generations. The present barn

on this farm was built during the late thirties by his grandfather, Daniel Knabb. Our subject lives retired since 1902, at Jacksonwald, where he owns the residence of the late Benjamin DeTurk, a drover.

Mr. Knabb and wife are members of the Reformed congregation at Oley Church which he served as a deacon.

On October 26, 1878, he married Amanda Herbein, daughter of Benneville and Amelia (Yoder) Herbein of Oley township. They have three children, namely: Daniel Milton; Deborah (m. Nathan Sailor, who farms the homestead of his father-in-law); and Amelia, who is at home.

DANIEL MILTON KNABB, druggist, at Allentown, was born in Oley township, Berks county, Pa., September 7, 1879. He was educated in the public schools; graduated in 1896 from Brunner's Business College, Reading, Pa., became an apprentice in 1897 in Reeser's drug store, at Reading; while being employed in this position he passed the State Board in 1899, at Harrisburg as a qualified assistant pharmacist. He afterwards matriculated in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, graduating with first honors in 1902, winning the William Webb gold medal "For excellence in the science and the art of pharmacy." The medal is beautifully designed and is about the size of a double eagle. It bears the name of the owner and the date "April 11, 1902." Mr. Knabb had charge of the drug store of E. M. Boring, at Tenth and Fairmount Avenue, Philadelphia, for a period of two years. He engaged in the same business at Allentown, in 1905. In 1911 he erected a four-story building 34 x 80 in dimensions, at the corner of Hamilton and Third streets, having one of the most modern drug stores in Allentown.

His wife, Katharine Tyson, born Oct. 21, 1881, is a daughter of William H., and Caroline (Huff) Tyson of Jacksonwald, Berks Co., Pa. They have these children: William, born July 18, 1905, who died Mch. 6, 1908, in his third year; Daniel M., born Jan. 23, 1907; and George T., born Dec. 20, 1908.

#### KNAUSS FAMILY.

Ludwig Knauss, the progenitor of the Knauss family in Lehigh county, emigrated to America in 1723 from Titelsheim, Wetteravia, in the Palatinate, and settled at Whitemarsh, Montgomery county. He married Anna Margaret Goerlach and had a number of children, among whom were: John Henry; Sebastian Henry; Maria Catharine, born at Whitemarsh, Feb. 16, 1734, married Andrew Giering; and Sophia,

born at Whitemarsh, Nov. 28, 1737, died April 9, 1813. She married, in 1756, Ludwig Andres. John George and Gottfried Knauss, of Whitehall township, were probably also sons of Ludwig, and also Ludwig Knauss, of Easton.

John Henry Knauss, eldest son of Ludwig, was born June 15, 1712, and died June 6, 1761. He married, Dec. 31, 1737, Maria Catharine Roeder, born March 24, 1720. They had four children: John, born 1738, died 1847; Adam, born 1741, died the same year; Michael; and Martin, born 1745, died 1747. Michael Knauss was born July 26, 1743, and died Feb. 3, 1820. He married (first) Sept. 10, 1765, Anna Elizabeth Romig, born March 18, 1743, died March 16, 1777, and (second), June 12, 1780, Hanna Margaret Frank, of Schoeneck, born July 10, 1740, died March 26, 1817. He had seven children in his first marriage: Catharine, born July 4, 1766, died Dec. 19, 1838, married John Adam Romig; Frederick, born 1768; John Henry, born 1769; Anna Elizabeth, born 1771; Michael, born 1773; Magdalena, born 1775; and John, born 1776. In his second marriage he had a son, Abraham, born in 1781.

Sebastian Henry Knauss, second son of Ludwig, was born in Titelsheim, Wetteravia, near Manheim, Germany, on Oct. 6, 1714, and was about nine years old when he accompanied his parents to America in 1723. On New Year's Day, 1741, he was married to Miss Anna C. Transue, who had emigrated from the same district in 1730. Soon after 1741, when the Moravian missionaries were branching out in every direction and making converts to their faith in various parts of the country, Sebastian Knauss became deeply impressed with the teachings of Count Zinzendorf. Later he left the Reformed faith and joined what was then known as the Society of Brethren. He was one of the number who organized a congregation in 1747 and founded a village which was named Emmaus, but which name was later corrupted to Emaus. With others he had walked to Bethlehem over the Indian path and there assisted in the organization of a separate church. He became steward and served in that capacity until his death in 1777. His remains were interred in the old cemetery at Emaus. He and Jacob Ehrenhard jointly donated 102 acres of land for the building thereon of a Moravian hamlet, including a site for the church and school, in adjacent grounds. The village was surveyed and laid out in 1757 and in 1761 officially received its name.

Sebastian Henry Knauss was a farmer and wheelwright. He learned the trade under the direction of Henry Antes, the pioneer layman of Frederick township, Montgomery county, through whose instrumentality he also became acquainted

with the Moravian brethren and their work. Thirteen children were born to him and his wife, five of whom were daughters, and of them it is recorded that "they were of small stature, beautiful of form and exceedingly entertaining." His wife was the daughter of Abraham Trauseau and his wife Elizabeth Munster, of Mutterstadt, where she was born March 6, 1722. She died at Emaus June 26, 1799. Mr. Knauss died Feb. 26, 1777.

The children of Sebastian H. and Anna Catharine Knauss were: 1. Heinrich, born Nov. 22, 1741; married, April 22, 1766, Anna Maria Ehrenhard; they had thirteen children, of whom Jacob, born Nov. 20, 1777, and his son, Henry, born July 12, 1812, resided on the farm of his grandfather. 2. Catharine, born April 10, 1743; married Conrad Ernst, who emigrated from Wold Angelloch, in the Palatinate; in 1769 they were in possession of the first farm on the south bank of the Lehigh, leased by the Moravians; later they moved to Nazareth. 3. Anna Maria, born April 15, 1744; married Tobias Moyer, of Heidelberg township. 4. Johannes, born Nov. 6, 1748; married Catharine Romig, and settled on the home farm, near Emaus, later owned by Edwin Kline, of Allentown; J. Owen and William H. Knauss are grandsons of Johannes. 5. Joseph, born Oct. 11, 1750; was a wheelwright by occupation; married Magdalena Boekel, of Heidelberg, and emigrated to North Carolina. 6. Elizabeth, born Jan. 29, 1753; married John Frederick Romig, who was a miller near Emaus. 7. Abraham, born March 1, 1755; he was a blacksmith, and settled four miles from Bethlehem, on the Drylands. 8. Jacob, born June 26, 1757; he was a farmer; married Rosina Corr. 9. John Ludwig, born May 19, 1759; he was a blacksmith; settled first at Schoeneck, and later emigrated to Ohio; married Maria Magdalena Klein. 10. Philip, born in October, 1767, died in 1789. 11. Magdalena, born Sept. 3, 1761; married Joseph Clewell, who lived at Emaus. 12. Anna Johanna, born March 13, 1765; married George Clewell, a shoemaker, who resided at Schoeneck. 13. Leonard, born Jan. 8, 1745, died May 14, 1823, married, Dec. 15, 1769, Johanna Salome Miller. The descendants of these children are so numerous that it is impossible to follow them. It is sufficient to say that in every township and borough in the county the name is found, and in most cases the line of descent can be traced to this branch. At the time of the death of Anna Catharine (Transue) Knauss, on June 26, 1799, besides their thirteen children, there were ninety-one grandchildren, thirty-six great-grandchildren, seventy-three of the former and thirty-two of the latter were living at the time of her death.



John Knauss, son of John, was born May 22, 1775, and died March 14, 1861, and in his time was extensively engaged in farming, owning large tracts of land. He was also active and prominent in community interests and was elected to the office of county commissioner of his native county, when he discharged his duties with promptness and fidelity that won him high commendation and favorable regard. He married, in 1804, Maria Theresa Tool, and to them were born five sons and three daughters: Paul, William; Charles; John; Aquila; Hannah, married to Frederick T. Iobst; Anna Maria, married to Franz Philip Iobst; and Catharine, married to John W. Seip.

John Knauss, the third son of Sebastian, was born Nov. 6, 1748, near Emaus, where he was reared and carried on farming until his death, May 23, 1822. He married, March 31, 1772, Catharine, daughter of Frederick Romig, a miller near Emaus. She was born Oct. 18, 1748, and died July 3, 1816. They had eight children: John; Magdalena, married Thomas Everett; Catharine, married Henry Leibert; Anna Maria, married Henry Christ; Jacob, married Lydia Leibert; John Philip, married Magdalena Wuench; Abraham, died young; and a daughter who died in infancy.

Aquila Knauss was born in Emaus on March 6, 1819, and spent most of his life in that pioneer village, being one of its faithful and valued citizens. He was engaged in various enterprises in his time, having been justice of the peace, postmaster, station agent, the first town clerk and church organist, was a merchant, and for a time conducted the Eagle Hotel. In 1863, he became agent and weighmaster of the Allentown Iron Company, and moved to East Macungie. This position he held until the company abandoned its business. He conducted a small farm in connection and lived retired there in his declining years. He was married to Margretta Weiler, daughter of George Weiler and his wife, a born Schaeffer, members of prominent families in Berks county. Eleven children were born to them, of whom these survive: Mrs. H. J. Balliet, George F., Oliver J., Mrs. Harry Jarrett, Oscar P., and Albert W. The father died in 1896 and the mother in 1907.

OSCAR PENROSE KNAUSS, a well known citizen of Macungie, was born at Emaus, Sept. 4, 1859, and in 1863 was taken to Macungie by his parents, where he acquired his education in the public schools. He has, however, broadened his knowledge by his identification with a calling tending to that effect. In early life he became reporter for various daily newspapers and became very acceptable in that line of activity. He

learned the printing trade and has followed that so far all his life. He purchased the plant from his preceptor and in 1888 founded the *Macungie Progress*, a weekly paper which he edited and published for twenty-three years. His business engagements in this connection are more extensively noted under the chapter devoted to industries of Macungie borough, in this history.

He followed the religious faith of his fathers and is a member of the Emaus Moravian church. He was an active member of the Lehigh Valley Editorial Association as long as it existed, belonged to the State Editorial Association, and is now a member of the Lehigh county Historical Society, Continental Castle, No. 61, K. G. E., the Macungie Beneficial Association, Friendly Lodge, No. 85, and Macungie Encampment, I. O. O. F., the Macungie Fire Company and others, in all of which he has held offices of trust and honor. He is now registrar of Vital Statistics of Lower Macungie township and Macungie borough. In national politics he votes for good Republicans that he may know of and in local affairs he supports the men, regardless of party affiliation, whom he believes are best qualified.

In 1880, Mr. Knauss was married to Sarah L., daughter of Christian and Sarah (Kidd) Kemmerer, of Hanover township, this county. They had one son, Eugene, who died when eight years old.

ALBERT W. KNAUSS, son of Aquila, is a plumber and gas fitter at Allentown. He was born at Emaus, Oct. 26, 1861. At a suitable age he learned the painting and paper hanging trade, following it for eleven years at Macungie. For four years of this time, he had associated with him as a partner, Victor Moyer, under the firm name of Knauss and Moyer. At the age of twenty-two years, he learned the trade of machinist and was employed at the Macungie furnace for a time, and later worked for the Ebbecke Hardware Company, for William Douglass and also for George Knauss, all of Allentown. He was employed for one year by the Composite Medal Company at Catasauqua. Afterward, Mr. Knauss had charge of the construction of the Griesemer Fiber Works, at Allentown, which continued for a period of one year and afforded employment to twenty men. Mr. Knauss made the first fibre bucket machine in the above establishment.

In the year 1903, he engaged in the present business in which he employs six men, doing all kinds of plumbing, gas fitting and general repair work.

He and family are members of the St. Luke's Lutheran church. Socially he is a member of

these lodges: Friendly Lodge, I. O. O. F., since 1885; also of the Odd Fellows Encampment, both of Macungie; the Knights of Friendship, and the Knights of the Mystic Chain. Politically Mr. Knauss is a member of the Progressive party. In 1882 he married Tevillia Kressly, a daughter of Levi and Amanda (Scherer) Kressly. They have eight children: Millie, who died in 1900, was the wife of John Butz; Edgar W.; Ella V.; Fred G.; Lizzie I.; Claude R.; Carrie M.; and Earl E.

George F. Knauss, son of Aquila Knauss, of Tipton, Berks county, married Annie Hittle, daughter of Joseph and Maria Hittle. Children: Robert L.; Alfred S.; Walter E.; of Allentown; William A., of East Macungie; Howard A., of whom further; Milton O.; Ralph O., of Tipton; Eula A., unmarried, resides at home; George I., unmarried, resides at home.

HOWARD A. KNAUSS, son of George F. Knauss, was born at East Macungie, Lehigh county, October 14, 1876. His education was obtained in the public schools in the neighborhood of his home, which was limited, owing to the fact that he began work in early boyhood, being employed by farmers and in the iron ore mines, receiving thirty cents per day for a period of two years. Later at the age of thirteen, he accepted a clerkship in a store at East Macungie, after which he worked in the Macungie Furnace, then was engaged in office work, and subsequently learned telegraphy and chemistry, and was employed in the laboratory of the Crane Iron Works at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, becoming chief chemist, continuing there for eight years. He was then appointed assistant superintendent and later superintendent of the same concern, holding this position for eight years. Afterwards he became superintendent of the Northern Iron Company's furnaces at Standish, Clinton county, New York, remaining seven months, and at the expiration of this period he became connected with the Empire Steel and Iron Company, of Reading, Pa. In 1909, he was appointed superintendent of the Reading Iron Company's furnace, which position he serves up to the present time. The concern employs 75 men.

In January, 1896, he was married to Addie S. Gery, daughter of Nathan S. and Elenora (Bastian) Gery. Unto them are born the following children: Howard L.; and Eleanor A. The son, Howard, is a graduate in 1912 of Nazareth Hall, M. A., at Nazareth, Pa.; is now connected with the Reading Iron Company in the laboratory at Reading.

His social connections are with Porter Lodge, No. 287, F. & A. M.; Catasauqua Chapter, No.

278; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Catasauqua Lodge, No. 269, I. O. O. F.; Emmaus Encampment, No. 15, of Emaus; Continental Castle, No. 61, K. G. E.; Woodmen of the World, No. 250, of Catasauqua. Politically he is a stalwart Republican; has been the president of the town council of Catasauqua for two years. He and family worship in Grace Lutheran church, Macungie.

MILTON O. KNAUSS, superintendent of the Crane Iron Works, of Catasauqua, was born at Macungie, Pa., February 19, 1885. He was educated in the East Macungie public schools, and in July, 1898, he began learning the profession of chemistry in the laboratory of the Crane Iron Works at Catasauqua. After he had served about one year he accepted the position of chief chemist with the Allentown Rolling Mills, a position he served with marked ability when a mere lad of fifteen years, but after he had filled the latter position about three months, Leonard Peckitt, the president of the Crane Iron Works asked him to accept a similar position with his company in its laboratory at an advanced salary. He accepted the appointment and filled it satisfactorily, until he was promoted to the superintendency of the Macungie furnace, which also belongs to the Empire Steel and Iron Co. In September, 1911, the same company sent him to start up their furnace at Tipton, Pa., and he continued there until December, of that year, when he was promoted to his present position, owing to the death of H. R. Hall, at Catasauqua. He has under his charge from 250 to 350 men. He is a member of the Macungie Lodge, No. 85, I. O. O. F.

On September 24, 1904, he was wedded to Ada DeLong, daughter of Tilghman and Angelina (Fenstermacher) DeLong, of Tipton, Pa., and they have an adopted daughter, Mabel Isabella Knauss.

Gottfried Knauss, of Whitehall township, settled in that township about 1745. In 1753 he was constable of the township and on April 10, 1755, he was naturalized. His first wife, Anna Eva, died about 1758, and he married, second, Regina Louisa, widow of John Reinhard Benay, who had died in September, 1758, and who received, in 1748, the Daniel Roth tract of 150 acres along the Jordan. Gottfried Knauss became the owner of this land and additional tracts and in 1763 received a patent for 308 acres, of which 80 acres were cultivated in 1768. He was a member of Zion Reformed church and died in 1777. In his will, dated March 25, 1763, and probated May 21, 1777, he directed that £200 be put on interest for his wife and that his estate be converted into money and divided equally



among his children and the two children of his wife, Peter and Susanna Benay, to be paid when they married or reached the age of 21 years. His executor sold, on May 30, 1777, 159 acres to Peter Rhoads, Esq., for £586. This embraced all the land south of the Jordan and included the stone house built by Knauss in 1769, recently destroyed. Before the executor, his brother George, could execute a deed for this property, he died, and a deed was executed by the executors and administrators of Gottfried and George. Gottfried was buried in the orchard on his farm at Sherersville. He had eleven children: Elizabeth; Gottfried; Francis; Daniel; Conrad; Henry; John; Paul; David; Eva Catharine, born Aug. 15, 1750, died April 22, 1818, married, March 26, 1771, George Yundt; and Juliana Margaret, married Felix Griesemer.

Gottfried Knauss, Jr., was born Jan. 15, 1742, and died Feb. 15, 1806. He was confirmed at Egypt in 1754 and became a blacksmith and farmer. He had his shop near the Jordan, which he carried on for 30 years. On July 10, 1771, his father sold him 207 acres of land for £600, payable £50 per year. He served in the Revolution and on May 22, 1783, was captain of a company of militia. In 1803, he was elected commissioner of Northampton county. In 1797 he erected the stone barn still standing on his farm, and later the dwelling house. He was a member of Zion Reformed church and is buried at Allentown, with his wife. He married Anna Maria, daughter of John Griesemer. She was born July 11, 1752, and died Sept. 24, 1823. They had nine children:

1. John Henry, born Dec. 26, 1771, died Jan. 14, 1772.
2. Salome, born March 16, 1773, died Sept. 5, 1826, married, Aug. 4, 1795, Frederick Biery.
3. Anna Maria, born May 12, 1774, died Jan. 21, 1829, married Peter Marks.
4. Daniel, born June 19, 1775.
5. Eva Catharine, born June 10, 1777, married John Keichley.
6. Jonathan.
7. Elizabeth, born April 26, 1780.
8. Hannah, born Jan. 23, 1783, married Adam Zeffass and removed in 1819 to New York.
9. Maria Magdalena, born May 7, 1784, died March 20, 1862, married George Knauss.

Jonathan Knauss, born Oct. 19, 1778, died March 22, 1826, married, in June, 1800, Elizabeth, daughter of Jonas Faust. She was born Dec. 1, 1778, and died Oct. 18, 1852. He purchased the homestead, which he farmed and had ten children: Edward, whose children were: Frank, Allen, Emma, Eliza, and Catharine; Magdalena; William, who was a soldier in the

Mexican War and died April 15, 1847, at New Orleans; Joseph; Jonathan, married Mary A. Reichard, and had a son, Charles H., now of Hutchinson, Kan.; Peter; Sarah, married Henry Hiskey; Adaline, married Augustus L. Ruhe; and Mary, married David Stem. Magdalena, born 1803, died 1888, married, Feb. 18, 1822, Henry Schaadt, and acquired the homestead, later owned by her son, Monroe and his sons.

Paul Knauss, son of Gottfried, Sr., was born April 13, 1747, and died Jan. 19, 1808. He was a blacksmith and resided in Allen township. He married Anna Catharine, daughter of John Griesemer. She was born April 12, 1754, and died Sept. 10, 1790. They had nine children: John, born May 11, 1775; Anna Maria, born Dec. 11, 1774, married Michael Young; George, born June 5, 1778, and had a son, Paul, born Oct. 7, 1805; Elizabeth, born Feb. 6, 1781, married John Hagenbuch; Jonas, born 1784; Catharine, born July 29, 1786, married John Hower; Susanna, born Nov. 21, 1788; Paul; and Anna.

Paul (2) Knauss, son of Paul (1) Knauss, was born September 1, 1790, and died on April 1, 1861. He married and had a son, Ephraim J., of whom further.

Ephraim J. Knauss, son of Paul (2) Knauss, was born May 22, 1819, died December 16, 1883. He married Mary Kline, and their children were: Emma J., deceased; Anna, married H. D. Hersh; Clara, married D. R. Kline; Milton H., of whom further; Mary, married F. T. Hartzell; Ida, married to Martin H. Strauss.

MILTON H. KNAUSS, son of Ephraim J. Knauss, was born in Allentown, September 5, 1853. He was educated in the public schools, the Allentown Academy, and the Brophy private school of Allentown. He first was employed with W. R. Lawfer in the dry goods business, after which he became connected with the F. Hersh Hardware Company, with whom he remained four years, and then became associated with the Kline Hardware Company, which subsequently was incorporated and became known as the Novelty Iron Works of Allentown. Mr. Knauss and family are members of the Reformed church. He is a member of the Knights of Malta, and a Democrat in politics. He married (first) in 1880, Cora Siegfried, who died in 1882. He married (second) in 1883, Ida Roberts, who bore him four children: Helen, Anna L., David, Paul, died in infancy.

John George Knauss, the ancestor of this branch of the family, settled on Cedar creek, at the junction of Salisbury and Whitehall townships, a short distance west of where the Little Cedar creek flows into the larger stream.

The land which he secured had been war-

ranted in 1738 to Joseph Bishop. In 1764, George Knauss is mentioned in the assessment list of Whitehall township as the owner of 300 acres of deeded land and in 1768, 100 acres of this was cultivated. On this tract he erected a grist-mill at an early date.

He was a member of the Jordan Reformed church and a prominent man in the township. He died in 1778 and is buried in the old Allentown cemetery, where his grave is marked with his name but no dates. His wife, Maria Charlotta Knauss, was born Nov. 19, 1728, and died Jan. 22, 1804. They had seven children: George Frederick, Charlotta Barbara, Philip, Christiana, Susanna, Margaret, and Elizabeth.

George Frederick Knauss, eldest son of John George Knauss, was born Oct. 12, 1748, and was baptized at the Jordan church November 6th following. He was a farmer and miller on Cedar creek, and in 1785 was elected commissioner of Northampton county. He died Dec. 11, 1817. He married, March 17, 1771, at Allentown, Mary Magdalena Roth, daughter of Frantz Wilhelm Roth, of Salisbury. After her death he married Mary Magdalena Saeger, who was born 1755, and died May 9, 1814. His children were: (1) Mary Magdalena, born Feb. 1, 1772, who married John Nicholas Saeger; (2) George F., born Feb. 3, 1780, and died July 27, 1850, who married his cousin, Magdalena Knauss, who was born May 7, 1784, and died March 20, 1862. Their children were: Edward, of Seneca county, Ohio; Rebecca, Stephen, George, Solomon, and John. (3) Solomon, who married Miss Keck. (4) Peter, who removed to Illinois; (5) Elizabeth, born Nov. 19, 1786, died Feb. 25, 1825, married Solomon Butz. (6) Margaret, married Solomon Keck; (7) Daniel, born April 24, 1788, died Jan. 12, 1820.

Daniel Knauss (7) married Elizabeth, daughter of John Frey. She was born Oct. 28, 1795, and married (second) George Acker. She died March 9, 1855.

Daniel Knauss secured his father's grist-mill, and operated it until his death, which occurred in the prime of his life. He was a member of the Reformed Church and a Whig in politics. His children were: (1) Alexander, who died in South Whitehall township; (2) Melinda, who married Eli George; (3) Caroline; (4) George A., the father of Reuben and George; and (5) Daniel.

Daniel Knauss, son of Daniel and his wife Elizabeth Frey, was born Jan. 4, 1820, and baptized January 14th. His sponsors were Peter Knauss and wife, Mary. His father died when he was a week old. He made his home with his grandfather and guardian, John Frey, on the

farm north of the present Allentown Fair grounds. He attended a subscription school in South Whitehall during the winter months and when sixteen years of age, located in Warren county, New Jersey, where he was employed on a farm. Later, he returned to the homestead on Cedar creek, and took charge of the farm, his brother, Alexander, taking charge of the mill. now known as Lichtenwalner's Mill. He was also employed as a mason and carpenter, in which latter trade he was engaged some years, assisting in the construction of the Lehigh Bridge at Allentown. He was first lieutenant of Co. B, 176th Penna. Volunteer Regiment, under Capt. S. D. Lehr, being mustered into the service Nov. 7, 1862, and mustered out, Aug. 3, 1863. He was also captain of a militia company in South Whitehall, for seven years. In politics he was a Whig and later a Republican. He cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison in 1840. His first Republican vote was cast for Abraham Lincoln and in 1912 he voted for William H. Taft. In 1876, he removed to Kansas, and there spent nineteen years, being employed as a carpenter. He returned to Lehigh county at the age of seventy-five years and retired from business, making his home with his daughter, Mrs. McHose. He is still active in body and mind and in full possession of all his faculties at the age of 94 years.

Mr. Knauss has been a member of the Evangelical Church for 77 years, having been converted under the preaching of Rev. David Neitz, who was a schoolmate of his boyhood days, and has served the church as deacon and elder. He married, in 1842, Amanda, daughter of Frederick Dreisbach, of Warren county, New Jersey. She died in June, 1874, and is buried in Greenwood cemetery, Allentown. Their children were: (1) Theodore F.; (2) Mary; (3) Melinda; (4) Emma; (5) Lena; and (6) Oscar Daniel, of whom below.

Theodore F. (1) served in the Civil War, Co. G, 127th Regiment, and is now deceased. Mary (2) married (first) Mr. Mickle, and (second) Hiram Hisky, and resided at Wescosville. Melinda (3) married Henry O. Beiler, of East Greenville, O. Emma (4) married Franklin Marsteller, deceased. Lena (5) married Jacob McHose, of Allentown. Three other children died young.

OSCAR DANIEL KNAUSS, the second son and the sixth child of Daniel and Amanda (Dreisbach) Knauss, was born Oct. 2, 1858, at Cedarville, Pa. His boyhood days were spent in South Whitehall township, where his time was divided between work on the farm and attendance at the public schools of the neighborhood and later he



took a general course of study at the Allentown Business College. After graduation he was for a short time a teacher in the college.

His next employment was as a bookkeeper for a short period, then a clerk for C. H. Schmid, where he remained until 1880. He then became an assistant U. S. Census enumerator for a short time. He then went to Denver and other points, assisting in the construction of railroads, the Union Pacific, and others, spending several years on these lines.

He returned to Allentown in December, 1891, and became associated with his father-in-law, Reuben Acker, in various enterprises. In 1898, he was appointed attendance officer by the Board of Education, receiving his commission on March 7, 1898. Mr. Knauss is in politics, a Republican; a member of Trinity Reformed church; of I. O. O. F.; and the Sons of Veterans.

He married, in February, 1898, Sarah A. Acker, daughter of Reuben Acker. (See Acker sketch elsewhere in this volume). Issue: Paul H., Esther A., James D., and Margaret E. Knauss.

George Knauss was married to Lydia Jarrett, and among their children was a son, Benjamin, of whom further.

Benjamin Knauss was born August 30, 1806. He was a farmer of Whitehall township, and in connection with this occupation followed the business of shoemaking. He married Maria M. Helfrich, born in Lehigh county, and died on January 3, 1894. She was a daughter of Michael Helfrich, Sr. Their only son was Benjamin F. Knauss.

Benjamin F. Knauss was born near Cedarville, in South Whitehall township, Lehigh county, December 13, 1827, died in Allentown, December 31, 1911, just two hours before the birth of the New Year, and was buried in Union cemetery, Allentown. He was reared on a farm, aiding in the labors thereof during the summer months, and attending the district school in the winter months. He followed agricultural pursuits throughout the active years of his life, first owning a tract of seventy acres, and later purchasing the David Stephen farm, all of which he cultivated and improved, bringing the land to a high state of cultivation. He erected a double brick house on the premises in 1842, and in the following year a barn and made other extensive improvements. All these were made possible through his labors and stand as monuments to his handiwork. He was an industrious man, performing thoroughly everything he undertook, enterprising and thrifty, and thus achieved a large degree of success. In 1900 he retired from active business pursuits, and removed to Allen-

town, where he purchased five brick dwelling-houses on North Twelfth street, and there spent the remainder of his days. He was an ardent supporter of the Republican party. He and his wife were members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, in which he served as elder. He married, October 21, 1855, Sarah Steininger, born December 31, 1835, daughter of Leonard and Catharine (Kuhns) Steininger. Children: El- emanda Maria Catharine, married Edward Lichtenwalner, and resides near Allentown; George; Tilghman G.; Isabella Sarah, residing with her mother at No. 24 North Twelfth street, to whom she is most devoted; and Frank P.

TILGHMAN G. KNAUSS, son of Benjamin F., was born March 3, 1859, on the farm now occupied by his brother, at South Whitehall. He received his education at the public schools, and was reared upon the farm. He began farming for himself in 1892, where he now resides, on an eighty-five-acre farm, located in the central part of the township, known as the David Stephens farm. The present farm was built in 1862 and the large brick house was built by Benjamin F. Knauss in 1894. In politics Mr. Knauss is a Republican; a member and a deacon of the Jordan Lutheran church.

He married (first) in 1890, Rosa, daughter of John Kuhns and wife. They had three children: Salome, Estella, and John.

Mrs. Kuhns died Dec. 7, 1905, aged 42 years.

Mr. Kuhns married (second) Dec. 16, 1909, Elizabeth Seipel, daughter of Alfred Seipel. No issue.

FRANK P. KNAUSS, son of Benjamin F. Knauss, was born May 7, 1869 on the farm where he now resides, at South Whitehall, Pa. He received his education in the public schools and at Muhlenberg College. He was reared upon the farm, and in 1892 he began farming the old homestead, where he has always resided and is a prosperous farmer. He improved the barn, modernizing it with concrete work, making it up-to-date in every respect. He invented and secured a patent on a tract engine, which he and his brother use in threshing, and any and all kinds of work in that line. He has a fine home, with all possible modern improvements for utility and convenience. His is an original mind in every sense of the word. In politics, a Republican; was committeeman for eight consecutive years. In religion a Lutheran, a member of St. Paul's church, of Allentown, Pa. He married Dec. 21, 1895, Alice L. Rupp, daughter of Benjamin H. and Lydia (Laros) Rupp.

Their children: Pruella, Benjamin, Theodore, born Sept. 16, 1910; Alverta, died Feb. 25, 1911.

Alexander Knauss, son of Benjamin Knauss, a tanner and currier, was born at Dorneyville, Lehigh county. He was a farmer and miller, owning and operating a mill for many years. The latter part of his life was spent in Allentown, where he lived retired, his death occurring at the age of eighty years, and his remains were interred in Allentown cemetery. He married (first) Mary Ludwig, born in 1822, died May 3, 1843; child, Emma Matilda, married Tilghman D. Kemmerer. He married (second) Christiana Brobst; children: Alvin, Uriah, Alice, Amanda.

Henry Knauss, merchant, Emaus, is a great-grandson of Jonathan Knauss (Dec. 13, 1757-Oct. 9, 1845), and Margretha Knappenberger (Oct. 14, 1767-Jan. 1, 1850). They resided on a farm near Bath, which they had exchanged for a mill property in Weisenberg township. They were members of the Reformed congregation at Kreidersville (Stone Church), where their remains lie buried. Jonathan Knauss was probably a son of Daniel Knauss, one of the early settlers of Weisenberg, and apparently of the same family as the two Knauss brothers who settled near Emaus. To Jonathan and his good wife, Margretha, were born the following children: Lydia, (July 10, 1795-Feb. 22, 1876), was married to Daniel Ritter; Margetta (Oct. 26, 1800-Aug. 20, 1877), was married to Jacob Seam; Elias, (mentioned later); Daniel (April 9, 1805-July 12, 1872), was married to Mary Landis; Levi (1815-1895), was married to Maria Heimbach, and Benjamin.

Elias Knauss was born February 13, 1803 and died July 25, 1883, aged 80 years, 5 months, and 12 days. He was married to Esther Marcks. She was born Feb. 19, 1807, and died Aug. 20, 1868. Both lie buried at the Western Salisbury church, where they were members of the Reformed congregation.

They conducted a farm in Upper Milford township, and were highly respected and honored in their community. To them were born two children, a son, Elias, and a daughter, Sallie. She was married to James Jordan and resided south of Macungie, along the Shimersville road. This union is blessed with one daughter, Amanda.

Elias Knauss, Jr., was born May 24, 1827, in Upper Milford township. He received his early training in the local schools and was united in holy wedlock with Amelia Yohe, a daughter of Peter Yohe (Aug. 30, 1801-Feb. 24, 1867), and his wife, Sarah, *nee* Smith (Nov. 6, 1806-Nov. 3, 1881). They resided on the old homestead in Upper Milford township, now owned by their son, Henry M.

In 1894 Mr. Knauss retired from farming and moved to Emaus, where he died Feb. 8, 1905, aged 77 years, 8 months, and 15 days. His remains, together with that of his wife, who was born November 28, 1829, and died June 22, 1901, in her 72d year, lie buried at the Western Salisbury church, where they were faithful and devoted members of the Reformed congregation and in which Mr. Knauss served in various capacities. To them were born ten children: Charles P.; Sallie; Mary, married to James Schmick, Emaus, Pa.; John E., Frankford, Indiana, married to Rachel Altig; Amanda; Leanna; George, Allentown, married to Ida Bachman; Henry M.; Edward W., butcher at Richland Center, married to Ellen Saylor and Thomas B., married to Deborah Grube. The latter resides on the old homestead in Upper Milford township.

HENRY M. KNAUSS, proprietor of the general store at the corner of Fifth and Main streets, Emaus, was born on the old Knauss homestead, in Upper Milford township, Feb. 4, 1867. He attended the public schools of the township and was confirmed by Rev. T. G. Reber as a member of Salisbury Reformed congregation. He learned the art of coach-making which occupation he followed for a period of eight years. On October 16, 1890 he was married to Alice Esther Diefenderfer, a daughter of Amandus John Diefenderfer and Maria Elizabeth Stahler, and a granddaughter of Henry and Anna Koehler Diefenderfer. (See Diefenderfer family). In the spring of 1893 Mr. Knauss came to Emaus and opened a grocery store at the northeast corner of Third and Main streets, and has continued in the mercantile business ever since, being eminently successful. In 1908 he erected the beautiful and spacious store room and dwelling where he now conducts his business. Mr. Knauss takes a deep interest in farming and owns the old homestead tenanted by his brother. He is a director of the Emaus National Bank. Politically he is a Democrat and in religion a member of the Reformed congregation of Western Salisbury, which he has served as deacon, elder, and trustee. Mrs. Knauss is a member of Solomon's Reformed congregation, Macungie. Socially both Mr. and Mrs. Knauss are popular and enjoy a large circle of friends. This union is blessed with two sons: Vermond A., and Roy A., both of whom are musicians of rare attainments. Vermond Adison was born June 10, 1892; he was educated in the public schools of Emaus, and after spending two years in the Danna School of Music, in Ohio, he studied privately under the noted Alexander Selner in New York City, and also the theory of music



under the celebrated Carl Hauser of the same city. At various times he was connected with the following musical organizations: Lehigh Valley Symphony Orchestra, Walsh; Liberatta and Kilties Bands. Of the latter he was assistant conductor, conducting the second band. In October, 1912, he was married to Miss Anna Sullivan. They reside at Tuka, Oklahoma, where he is the leader of a band and orchestra.

Roy A., was born May 1, 1894. He was graduated from the Emaus high school in 1909, and in the fall of the same year entered the Warren Military Band School, at Warren, Ohio. He, like his brother, for a time was assistant conductor for the Kilties band and in 1912 was touring with the Roney concert company of the Pacific Coast, and is now studying music in Chicago.

#### KNAPPENBERGER FAMILY.

John Ehrhard Knappenberger from Germany, emigrated to American on the ship "Christian," which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 13, 1749. It appears that soon after coming to this country he settled in Northampton (now Lehigh) county, where, in 1762, his name appears among the taxable residents, of Whitehall township. Among his children were the following sons: Adam, Conrad, Henry, Philip, and George. A daughter, Margaretha Knappenberger, was born Oct. 14, 1767, died on Jan. 1, 1850. She was the wife of Jonathan Knauss. The *Pennsylvania Archives* reveal the remarkable record that these five sons served their country in the Revolutionary War.

Henry Knappenberger, son of the pioneer ancestor, located in Macungie township. In the year 1790 he had one son over sixteen years and two sons under sixteen, and one daughter, Katharina Knappenberger, born during the Revolutionary War period. She was married to Jacob Zimmerman, a native of Upper Macungie. Lydia Knappenberger, born June 27, 1785, died on July 28, 1832. She was married to Henry Ritter. Barbara Knappenberger was married to John Mathias Egner, who emigrated from the Palatinate, Germany, in 1727. Daniel Knappenberger, born in 1790, died in 1862, is buried at Unionville. Philip Knappenberger, born Aug. 9, 1800, died on Feb. 4, 1884. His wife, Anna, was born in 1804, died in 1888. Both were in their 84th year of age; and they, with Harrison, son of Jacob, Knappenberger, born in 1823, died in 1857, are buried at Cetronia.

Philip Knappenberger was a farmer and had a 115-acre farm, located one mile northeast of Macungie. He and family were Lutheran members of the Lehigh church, and there he and wife and some children are now buried. He was

married to Barbara Stettler. They had the following children: Jonas; Philip; Jacob; Henry; Solomon; Tevillia, married to Theodore Schell; Rebecca, married to Leon Fenstermacher; Maria (Polly), married to John Kemmerer; and Mrs. George Baer.

Henry Knappenberger lived on the homestead of his father, Philip, whom he succeeded to ownership. This farm is now owned by the Solomon Wenner estate. Henry Knappenberger was married to Helena Lick, a daughter of Samuel and Abigail (Brey) Lick. Both are buried on the graveyard at Lehigh church. Their children follow: Henry; William; Amanda, married to Jacob Neimeyer; Emmalinda, married to Joseph Fuder; Ellen, married to Alfred Booth; Louisa, married to Cyrus Bitting; Ida, single; and Oscar M., a butcher, of Emaus.

Henry B. Knappenberger, oldest son of Henry Knappenberger, was born July 4, 1848, in Lower Macungie. He worked upon the farm until he was nineteen years old, then learned the painting trade, which he followed twelve years. Afterward he removed to Emaus, and engaged in the butchering business, which he followed actively for twelve years when his health began to fail. In 1897 he was appointed mercantile appraiser of the county, serving the office one year.

In 1868 he married Martha, daughter of Joshua and Lydia (Kemmerer) Butz. They have the following children: Oliver L., whose history follows; Jennie, married to Edward Kehm; Laura, married to Daniel Henrich; Meda, married to Charles Schiffert; Leighton F., married to Meda Schankweiler. They live at Emaus. Harvey H., married to Emma Ziegler. They live at Emaus. Lizzie, married to Henry Klaugh.

OLIVER L. KNAPPENBERGER, of No. 636 North Ninth street, Allentown, was born Sept. 16, 1869, at Romig's Mill, in Lower Macungie township. After his education in the local schools and the Emaus high school, he learned the butchering trade with his uncle, O. M. Knappenberger, at Macungie, and there he continued until in 1891. He afterward continued the butcher business near Emaus for two years; and on Jan. 19, 1895, he became associated with the Arbogast and Bastian Company, Allentown. In 1906 he was made the foreman of this large company and now has charge of eighty men.

He married, in 1891, Martha R. Knerr, a daughter of the late George and Sarah (Bastian) Knerr. Unto them are born three children, namely: Howard Oliver, who died, aged sixteen months; George Henry, married to Mary Deppe; and Mildred Martha. Mr. Knappenberger and his entire family are active members of Seibert United Evangelical church; and since

1904 he has been one of the stewards; and is president of the Adult Bible Class of the Sunday school since 1909. Before his removal to Allentown, in 1895, he served Riegel's Union Sunday school, in Lower Macungie, for a period of five years.

Politically he is a Democrat and socially he has membership in the following lodges: Continental Castle, No. 61, K. G. E., of Macungie; Macungie Beneficial Association; and Modern Woodmen of America.

Jacob Knappenberger, a grandson of John Ehrhard Knappenberger, the ancestor, was married and had sons: Jacob; Jonas, who was killed in battle during the Civil War; and Sarah, married to Isaac Weber. Jacob Knappenberger, son of Jacob, was born in 1822, died on Nov. 15, 1862. He is buried on the old Egypt church graveyard. He was a laborer and lived at Scheidys, in North Whitehall. His wife, Louisa Ritter, was a daughter of Jeremiah Ritter. She was born March 27, 1834, and died on July 12, 1873. She was married (first) to Jacob Knappenberger, and after his death, she became the wife of Levi Smith. By her first husband she had these three children: Jeremiah, who died young; Frank W. J.; and Hannah.

FRANK W. J. KNAPPENBERGER, of Coplay, was born in North Whitehall, June 21, 1857. He worked upon the farm until he was eighteen years old, then began working around stationary engines. He worked for seventeen consecutive years for the old Coplay Cement Co., then left them for four years, and returned again, serving seven years more. During the latter seven years he was chief engineer and general foreman of engines and boilers. In May, 1911, he accepted a similar position with the Whitehall Portland Cement Co. He was for seventeen years a member of the Coplay school board serving all the offices in the board and rendering the borough valuable services. He and family are members of St. John's Lutheran church, which he served as deacon, and since 1907 he is a trustee. He likewise served the Sunday school as treasurer for three years; and was treasurer of the cemetery from 1900 to 1912. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and the American Order of Steam Engineers. He was married, first, in 1878, to Amelia Frantz, daughter of Reuben Frantz. Their children follow: Maggie, m. Charles Master; Charles, of Coplay; and Edwin, deceased. He was married, second, to Edna Rodgers, daughter of Edwin and Rebecca (Young) Rodgers, of Coplay. They have these children: Helen; Lillie; and Pearl. Helen and Lillie are graduates of the Coplay high school.

#### KNECHT FAMILY.

The ancestor of this family, Johann Jacob Knecht, was a native of the German Palatinate, or the Pfaltz am Rhine. He emigrated to America on the ship "Allen," which landed (qualified) at Philadelphia, on Sept. 15, 1729, having about 126 persons. The ship was commanded by James Craige from Rotterdam, last from Cowes, whence the ship sailed July 7th. (Colonial Records, III, 368). This pioneer located at what is now Durham, Bucks county, Pa., and later removed to Nazareth township, Northampton county. He is buried at Dryland church. He accompanied a German Reformed missionary to this country, and that was the religion of the Knecht family. This pioneer had four sons, viz:

Leonard, born Jan. 18, 1737, died Oct. 18, 1789.

Ulrich, born Feb. 18, 1738, died Feb. 26, 1818, aged 82 years and 8 days.

George.

Peter.

All served in the Revolutionary War. Ulrich was married twice. His first wife, Maria Catharine Schlauch, who was born Feb. 13, 1741, and died July 27, 1781. Their children were: Marguerite (Frankenfield) born June 3, 1759, and died Sept. 2, 1840. Elizabeth (Willauer); Catharine (Stocker); John; Jonas; Philip, born June 6th, 1768, and died July 9, 1850; George, born Aug. 11, 1774, and died March 3, 1843; Christian, born May 24, 1780, died Dec. 26, 1845; and Susan (Root).

His second wife was Eva Lennaschmidt with whom he had two children: Rosanna (Kindt) and Abraham, who was born March 9, 1793, died Jan. 29, 1800.

All the above are buried at Dryland church excepting Elizabeth and Catherine, who are buried at Forks Church.

Ulrich Knecht was the owner of three tracts of land. *The Pennsylvania Archives* show that he took out a warrant for land in Bethlehem township in 1786. In 1788 he owned a tract of 165 acres in Forks township; and on Jan. 25, 1798, he purchased from the Hon. John and Richard Penn, sons of William Penn, the proprietors of the province of Pennsylvania, a tract of 220 acres, and 155 perches situated in Nazareth township, Northampton county, for the sum of 144 pounds, 14 shillings and 8 pence, current money of Pennsylvania.

George Knecht, son of Ulrich was born Aug. 11, 1774, and died Mar. 3, 1843. He owned a part of the homestead and was a farmer. His wife was Sarah Willauer, who was born Sept. 21, 1784, and died Oct. 6, 1877, at the ripe age of



93 years and 15 days, and for some time before her end came she longed to go home and be with her Maker. Their children were:

Simon,	born	July 23, 1805,	died	Feb. 24, 1870.
George,	"	July 30, 1809,	"	June 6, 1892.
Solomon,	"	Sept. 24, 1811,	"	May 11, 1889.
Charles,	"	Feb. 10, 1814,	"	Aug. 8, 1877.
David,	"	Oct. 2, 1817,	"	May 2, 1883.
Sarah,	"	Jan. 17, 1820,	"	Dec. 30, 1898.
Hiram,	"	May 12, 1822,	"	Nov. 24, 1896.

George Knecht, son of George and Sarah (Willauer) Knecht, was an undertaker and farmer, in Whitehall township, Lehigh county to which place he moved prior to 1848. He was a "bugler" in the old state militia for many years. He is buried in the cemetery of the Egypt church, of which he was a Reformed member. His wife was Phillipina Uhler, who was born Dec. 24, 1814, and died Jan. 9, 1889, of typhoid pneumonia, aged 75 years and 15 days. She was a daughter of Valentine Uhler, of Forks township. The *Allentown Democrat*, after the funeral, which was conducted by the Rev. J. D. Schindle, complimented her on her pious and unselfish life and her devotion to duty. Their children were:

Josiah,	born	Nov. 11, 1834,	died	March 29, 1910.
Peter,	"	June 18, 1836,	"	May 16, 1913.
Stephen,	"	March 30, 1838,	"	June 16, 1911.
Edwin,	"	Sept. 3, 1839,	"	(Living.)
George V.,	"	Oct. 7, 1841,	"	Oct. 4, 1902.
Lewis F.,	"	"	"	"
James M.,	"	"	"	"
Elizabeth,	"	"	"	"
Lucy,	"	"	"	"
Charles T.,	"	"	"	"
Sarah,	"	Sept. 15, 1855,	"	May 25, 1889.

Of these children, Stephen and Edwin fought in the Civil War, having been enlisted in Company F, 153rd Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and both were wounded in the conflict at Gettysburg.

Peter Knecht, son of George and Phillipina (Uhler) Knecht, was born in Northampton county, June 18, 1836, and died May 16, 1913, of paralysis from which he suffered nearly a year. He was a carpenter by trade, but for 20 years was engaged in agricultural pursuits in Lehigh county. For the last 15 years he was retired and lived a quiet life at his homestead, near Omrod, Pa. On February 9th, 1867, he was married to Flora Jane Wotring, who was born Nov. 12, 1843, and was a daughter of Michael and Esther (Haussman) Wotring, of North Whitehall township (Sand Spring), Lehigh county. Their children were:

Mary A.,	born	Feb. 26, 1868,	died	
Edwin F.,	"	April 21, 1869,	"	July 14, 1873.
William P.,	"	Feb. 27, 1871,	"	Nov. 8, 1906.
Emma W.,	"	Nov. 8,	"	"
John T.,	"	July 6, 1874,	"	"
D. George,	"	April 6, 1876,	"	"
Addison H.,	"	March 28, 1878,	"	"
Mark N.,	"	Aug. 9, 1880,	"	"
Ellen J.,	"	"	"	"
Herbert L.,	"	"	"	"
Infant son,	"	Sept. 14, 1887,	"	Sept. 14, 1887.

D. GEORGE KNECHT, D.D.S., the sixth child of Peter and Flora Jane (Wotring) Knecht, was born near the Sand Spring, in North Whitehall township, April 6, 1876. He received his early education in the public schools and after devoting four years to preparatory work in his chosen profession, he entered the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, at Philadelphia, graduating in 1900. He is now located at No. 35 North Ninth Street, Allentown, where he enjoys a large practice.

Socially, Dr. Knecht is a member of Greenleaf Lodge No. 561, F. & A. M., and Constantine Lodge No. 1113, I. O. O. F. He and family are members of the St. Andrew's church. He was also the organizer of the Knecht Family Reunion, which held successful reunions at Waldheim Park in 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, and 1913. He is the secretary and historian of the association and has traced his family to the ancestor, Johann Jacob Knecht, who emigrated from the Palatinate in 1729. Dr. Knecht was married to Hannah E., daughter of William H., and Lizzie (Christman) Traub, and they have one daughter, Alice Agnes Knecht, born Sept. 3, 1903. At the Knecht family reunion held in 1910 at Waldheim Park, the following poem composed by Dr. D. George Knecht was read by him:

How grand it is for us to be,  
Together every year;  
As members of one family,  
Who come from far and near.

The one main feature of it is,  
A closer tie to bind;  
So let us tie another knot,  
With kindred thought and mind.

Perhaps some live too far away,  
To be with us when we;  
In grand reunion meet again,  
As the Knecht family.

Though far away remember us,  
And we'll remember you;  
For we are all one family,  
You're Knecht's and we are too.

Johannes Knecht the first to leave,  
The "Palatinate of the Rhine";  
Came over to America,  
In Seventeen Twenty-nine.

He crossed the deep Atlantic,  
To make this land his home;  
On board "THE ALLEN" a sailing boat,  
Steamships were then unknown.

Eleven left their native land,  
And sailed across the sea;  
They made this their adopted home,  
This land of liberty.

We know not where they all were settled  
But let this be our song;  
It would be nice for us to know,  
To which one we belong.

## KNERR FAMILY.

Abraham Knerr, the ancestor of this family, the name of which is also found spelled Knoer, Knörr, Knarr and Knorr, was born in Zweibruecken, Germany, in 1716. He emigrated to America in the ship *Lydia*, James Allen, master, sailing from Rotterdam, and arrived at Philadelphia on Sept. 29, 1741. He settled on a tract of 109 acres of land located on the line between Lowhill and Weisenberg townships, a short distance west of Claussville, which he secured by warrant dated Aug. 16, 1748, adjoining lands of Nicholas Acker, Peter Grow, John Bear, George Folk, and Christopher Kop. This tract, together with a tract warranted by Peter Grow, on Sept. 27, 1758, called *Friend's Arrival*, the whole amounting to 131 acres, was patented to John Knerr on June 6, 1810, upon the payment of \$208.43. On May 18, 1763, Paul Boger, of Gwynedd township, Philadelphia county, Ermholder, and his wife, Christianna, sold to Abraham Knerr, for £340, three tracts of land in Lowhill township, containing 226 acres. On this tract Abraham Knerr erected about 1780, a log house, which still stands, to which an addition was built in 1812. On May 18, 1784, Abraham Knerr and his wife sold these tracts, containing respectively, 126 acres, 47 perches, 52½ acres, and 48 acres, 32 perches, to their youngest son, Andrew, for £450. One hundred acres of this land, with the old house, is now owned by George F. Knerr, of Allentown, a great-grandson of Andrew.

Andrew Knerr purchased another tract of 44 acres in Lowhill township from his father on March 6, 1784, for £100. This tract had been granted to Christopher Obel, by a warrant dated Nov. 30, 1750, who by deed of May 5, 1764, conveyed it to Andrew Eshbach, who sold on April 3, 1772, to Jacob Dorner, who on March 2, 1774, sold the tract to Abraham Knerr, Sr.

Abraham Knerr was a farmer by occupation and at the opening of the Revolution took an active part as a patriot, having been elected a member of the General Committee of Observation for Northampton county from Lowhill township, whose meeting he attended on May 30, 1776, when representatives to the Provincial Convention held in Philadelphia on June 18, 1776, were chosen, which was the first step in forming a new government. He was a contributor to the Lowhill Reformed congregation in 1769, to which on the dedication, Sept. 3, 1769, he, with Nicholas Mannebach, presented a baptismal service. In later years he became a member of the Reformed congregation at Unionville church. He died April 21, 1793, aged 79 years, and was

buried at Unionville church, but unfortunately, no stone marks his last resting place. Rev. Abraham Blumer preached his funeral sermon. His wife, Mary Eva Knerr, was born Oct. 1, 1713, and died June 20, 1792, aged 78 years, 8 months and 19 days. They had ten children: Christopher, Catharine Barbara, John Jacob, John, Mary Eva, Anna Barbara, Abraham, Susanna, Dorothea, and Andrew.

Christopher Knerr, his eldest son, was born Oct. 8, 1742, and was baptized Nov. 28, 1742, at the Jordan church. His sponsors were John Christopher Ebel and Catharine Margaret Stet-



ABRAHAM KNERR HOMESTEAD.

Log house in Lowhill, built by Andrew Knerr, Sr., in 1789. Remodeled by Phaon Baer in 1863, now owned by J. E. Baer.

tlar. He settled in Weisenberg township, where he died in 1777, leaving a widow, Mary Barbara, and four children: Andrew, born April 4, 1773; Mary Eva, born Dec. 3, 1774; Barbara and Susanna. He was one of the organizers of the Lowhill Reformed congregation Jan. 27, 1769, at which time he signed the constitution.

Catharine Barbara Knerr, eldest daughter of Abraham, Sr., was born Aug. 30, 1744, and died Feb. 17, 1803. She married Jacob Horner, justice of the peace of Lowhill township, who was born Nov. 27, 1736, and died Dec. 22, 1808. They are buried at Lowhill church. They had five sons: Jacob, Abraham, John, Michael, and Andrew, and four daughters.

John Jacob Knerr, second son of Abraham, Sr., was born about 1746. He is mentioned as a sponsor in 1772, but is not mentioned in his father's will. He probably died unmarried.

John Knerr, third son of Abraham, was born Aug. 11, 1747, and died June 12, 1825. He married Catharine Hartman, who was born Aug.



30, 1753, and died Nov. 7, 1834. They are buried at Lowhill church. John Knerr was a farmer and resided on a tract of 238 acres in Weisenberg township. He had thirteen children, viz: John, Catharine, Mary Gertrude, John Conrad, Magdalena, Abraham, John Jacob, Andrew, John Daniel, John Christian, Salome, Benjamin, and Catharine.

John was born Jan. 17, 1772. He married, May 21, 1801, Catharine Bachman, and removed to Northumberland county. His son, Rev. George Knerr, was born June 23, 1818. He married, Feb. 6, 1838, and had 10 children: Rev. Isaiah E. Knerr, born Nov. 28, 1838, married, Feb. 11, 1860, and had five children; Rev. Josiah K. Knerr, born Dec. 10, 1840, had five children; Levina, born Sept. 30, 1842; Rachel, born Oct. 1, 1844; Wm. H., born Dec. 11, 1846; Henry A., born July 5, 1848; Emma, born Sept. 3, 1852; Alice, born March 1, 1857; Jane R., born Oct. 17, 1859; Charles B., born Oct. 17, 1863. Rev. George Knerr and his sons, Isaiah E. and Josiah K., and his grandson, George, a son of Rev. Isaiah E., became ministers of the United Evangelical Church, and the Evangelical Association, and jointly served actively in the ministry for more than 140 years.

Catharine, born June 17, 1773, died May 26, 1855, married in 1798, John Durnmeyer.

Mary Gertrude, born Jan. 29, 1775, married Peter Seip.

John Conrad Knerr, born June 17, 1777, married, Aug. 14, 1803, Mary Gertrude, daughter of Rev. John Henry Helffrich. He was principally engaged, besides farming, in "blue dyeing," which he carried on extensively for many years in the homestead near Claussville. The materials were woven by weavers of the vicinity and after dyeing them he hauled them by team to Philadelphia and brought in exchange various kinds of merchandise. He took an active part in political affairs as a Democrat and filled one term from 1823 to 1826 as a county commissioner, and was prominently identified with the movement which led to the establishment of the county poor house in 1845. He died March 14, 1865, aged nearly 88 years. His wife was born July 23, 1781, and died April 20, 1841. He lived in retirement for a number of years at Claussville, where he had erected a commodious dwelling house opposite the hotel, which is still standing in a good state of preservation. He had a number of children, all of whom died young excepting Levi and Anna, who married Joseph Slough.

Levi Knerr, the only son of John Conrad, was born on the homestead June 27, 1817. He received his education in the local schools and was brought up on the farm until he became of age,

when he and his brother-in-law, Joseph Slough, engaged in the mercantile business at Claussville, in the store department of the hotel building. They continued there next to the hotel for six years, when they moved into the large two-story brick building which Levi's father erected for them on the opposite side of the road; and, after establishing themselves in their new quarters, they increased their trade very much.

In 1848, Mr. Knerr purchased the interest of his brother-in-law, and afterwards was actively engaged in business there as a general country store-keeper until 1884, when he retired, having had his son, Richard, as a partner since 1865. During his early business career he purchased large quantities of produce from the surrounding store-keepers at Lyon Valley, Lentz's, Saegersville, Lynnvile, Seiberlingsville, and Hynemansville, and hauled it weekly to New York City, though the distance was gradually shortened as the railroad was extended from that place towards Easton and Allentown, and on his return he brought general merchandise of all kinds.

In 1840, Mr. Knerr married Abigail Brobst, daughter of Jacob Brobst, of South Whitehall. They had six children: Richard J., Calvin, and Levi, and three who died in infancy. Mr. Knerr died Feb. 20, 1908, aged 90 years. Mrs. Knerr was born April 7, 1822, and died Nov. 24, 1903. They were buried in the private cemetery of the family on the homestead, where a handsome granite monument has been erected, with a simple and appropriate inscription. Like his father and grandfather, he was a staunch Democrat, and upon the birth of first child, a son, he named him after Richard Johnson, a prominent Democrat of the state, whose character he very much admired.

Richard Johnson Knerr, merchant and postmaster at Claussville, in Lehigh county, for nearly fifty consecutive years, was born at Claussville, in the home erected by his grandfather on the opposite corner of the road from his store, on Sept. 21, 1842. He was brought up there and he received his preliminary education in the local schools and his higher education in the Millersville State Normal School, and in the Allentown Seminary, after which he followed teaching in the public school for three terms, having taught in Upper Macungie township, in the building near Fogelsville. He then entered the general store of his father as a clerk, and after continuing there for several years, until April 1, 1865, he became a partner in the business. The partnership was carried on very successfully under the firm name of Knerr & Son, until 1884, when the father retired, and the son has continued the general store business for himself until the present time. The extent and character of his own business affairs

having required his constant care, he was not able to devote any attention to public affairs.

In 1864, Mr. Knerr was married to Louisa Lentz, daughter of Peter Lentz, a country storekeeper who carried on a general mercantile business in Lowhill, about four miles from Claussville, several hundred feet from where "Bittner's Corner" has been established. She died Nov. 29, 1866, without children. Some time afterward he married her sister, Elemina Lentz, and they have two children: Wilbur J.; and Lillie L., married to Jesse K. Ziegler, one having died in infancy.

WILBUR J. KNERR, son of Richard J., was born at Claussville Nov. 29, 1867, where he was reared and received his preliminary education. He then attended the West Chester State Normal School

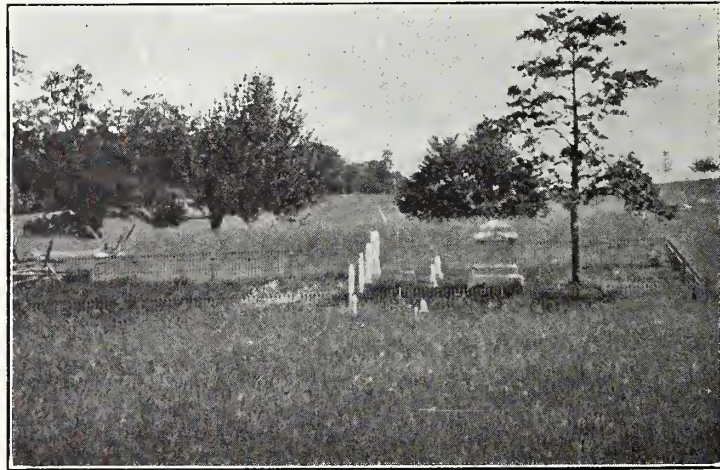
Dr. Calvin Knerr, second son of Levi, is one of the leading homeopathic physicians in Philadelphia. He married a daughter of Dr. Constantine Herring, president of the Allentown Homeopathic College from 1835 to 1842, and has three sons, two of them physicians, and one a well known cartoonist.

Dr. Levi Knerr, youngest son of Levi, is a physician in Philadelphia.

Magdalena Knerr, daughter of John, was born July 1, 1779, and married John Eisenhard.

Abraham Knerr, third son of John, Sr., was born Oct. 7, 1781. He married, June 24, 1804, Mariga Hunsicker, and removed to Union county. A son, Joshua, resided at Hartleton.

John Jacob Knerr, fourth son of John, Sr., was born March 18, 1784. He married, Aug. 17,



KNERR FAMILY GRAVEYARD, NEAR CLAUSSVILLE

and also the Allentown Business College. When only fourteen years of age, but large, strong and capable, he began teaching, and he taught public school for two terms in the building near Claussville, and when sixteen years old, he entered his father's store and has continued with him since, assisting particularly in buying produce and securing orders from the surrounding territory for upwards of ten miles. Since 1897 he has also been engaged as a dealer in horses for himself, in which he has been very successful. He was married to Laura V. Henninger, daughter of Charles, of South Whitehall, and they have two children: Hilda, who graduated from the Lowhill schools in 1906, also from the Keystone State Normal School in 1910, and since then has taught public school in the borough of South Allentown; and Ralph J., who was graduated from the Lowhill schools in 1912, and post-graduated in 1913.

1806, Susan George. They had children: Thomas, who died in the Seminole War; William, of Ohio; Samuel; and two daughters.

Andrew Knerr, fifth son of John, Sr., was born April 22, 1788. He married Miss Hartman, and removed to near Danville, Pa.

John Daniel Knerr, seventh son of John, Sr., was born Aug. 14, 1790. He married Elizabeth Shiffenstein, and had children: Jonas, of Ohio; Aaron; Thomas, of Rossville, Indiana; Levi, who married Mary Hunsicker, and had children: Eugene M., Henry, Alfred, and Penrose, and also eight daughters.

John Christian Knerr, eighth son of John, was born Dec. 9, 1792. He lived in Weisenberg, where he married Magdalena Fries. He died suddenly, in January, 1856. He had seven children: Solomon; Jonas, who married Miss Buck; Elizabeth, who married Jonas Knerr; Joseph, married



Mary Merkel; Amandus, married Angelina Derr; Angelina, married Rev. Derr; and William.

Solomon Knerr, son of John Christian, was a farmer of Weissenberg township, where he was born in 1825. He served the township as a school director, supervisor and assessor, and the Seiberlingsville church as deacon and trustee. He died in 1905. His first wife was a Miss Knerr, with whom he had one son, Charles W., who died in 1911, aged 62 years. His second wife was Judith Bachman, a daughter of John Adam Bachman, of Weisenberg. They had eight children: James A., married Eliza Fenstermacher; Frank L.; Amandus P., married Mary Baily and died in 1911, aged 57 years; Sarah A., married Alvin Werley; Helena S., married Frank Heller, and died in 1895; Solomon P., married Louisa Huntzinger, and died in 1910, aged 50 years; Alvin J., who died at the age of two years; and Jane C., married William Bleiler.

FRANK L. KNERR, farmer of Weisenberg township, son of Solomon, was born Oct. 31, brought up on his father's farm until he became 1852. He was educated in the local school and the age of twenty years, when he learned the trade of a carpenter and followed it for seventeen years. In 1889 he began farming and is still engaged in that calling. He served as supervisor for six years, and as school director for six years. He married, in 1877, Fianna, daughter of Joel Loch, a farmer of Weisenberg township. They had nine children: Cora F., married Edwin Bortz; John W., married Rosa Bortz; Ida J., married Charles Kuhns; Estella E., married Franklin Titlow; Emma B., married Constant Zimmerman; Gertrude Fianna, died in infancy; Edward S.; Ellwood R.; and Virginia H.

Mrs. Knerr's father, Joel Loch, married Barbara Fisher, and had five children: Sarah, married Franklin Bear; Amos, married Hattie Dietrich; Amanda, married Levi J. Werley; Fianna, and Tilghman, who married Ella Oswald, and lives on the Loch homestead in Weisenberg, near the Seiberling's church.

Salome Knerr, fourth daughter of John, was born April 30, 1795. She married Martin Seibert. The two youngest children of John Knerr, Sr., were Benjamin, born in 1799; and Catharine, born Nov. 27, 1801.

Benjamin Knerr, born Feb. 19, 1799, lived at Claussville as a young man, and later became a boatman. He died in 1838 and is buried near Tamaqua. He married a daughter of Tobias Heilman, and had four children: Amos, of Bitter's Corner; Hannah, who married Daniel Mohr, many years a justice of the peace in Upper Macungie; Mary, who married Enoch Heiberger; and Wilson.

Wilson Knerr was born Oct. 23, 1833. His early life was spent upon the farm in Lowhill and Upper Macungie. Since 1866 he lived at Chapman Station. For a number of years he followed the trade of a shoemaker. He became a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, in which he held the offices of deacon and elder. He married Angelina, daughter of Reuben and Eliza (Wotring) Scharadin, of Schuylkill county. Mrs. Knerr was born March 3, 1840, and died July 30, 1904. They had children: Ellen I., and Elemina, who both died in infancy; Sarah, born July 16, 1862, died April 14, 1881; and Morgan W.

DR. MORGAN W. KNERR, of Coplay, a native of Upper Macungie township, was born Feb. 19, 1864. He was educated in the public schools, the Keystone State Normal School, and the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, where he graduated in 1893, after which he took a post-graduate course at the Medico Chirurgical Hospital. He began practice at Breinigsville on April 15, 1891, and continued there successfully until Sept. 28, 1898, when he removed to Coplay, where he has built up a large practice, and has established a reputation as an expert in diseases of the lungs. He has been the physician for the Board of Health of Coplay since 1899, and is also examining physician for a number of insurance companies. He is a public-spirited citizen and is interested in everything looking towards the betterment of the community. For a number of years he served the borough as school director. He is a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, of Macungie; P. O. S. of A., at Trexlertown; Jr. O. U. A. M., of Coplay, and Modern Woodmen of America. He and family are members of Trinity Reformed church.

Dr. Knerr married, in 1893, Jennie E., daughter of Charles and Ellen (Stephen) Dubbs, of East Texas. They had three children: Myrtle E. and Mabel A., who graduated from the Coplay high school in 1911 and 1912, respectively, and are now students of the Allentown College for Women; and Maggie E. A., who died in infancy.

Isaac Knerr is said to have been another son of John, Sr., and settled in the West.

Mary Eva Knerr, second daughter of Abraham, Sr., was born March 27, 1746, and died Dec. 3, 1802. She married Philip Fenstermacher and had eleven children.

Anna Barbara Knerr, born Jan. 13, 1749, third daughter of Abraham, Sr., married John Adam Geiss and had four children. They moved to Menallen township, Adams county, where she died, March 6, 1831.

Abraham Knerr, Jr., fourth son of Abraham,

Sr., lived near Lyon Valley. He died in 1778. He and his wife, Eva Elizabeth, had four children: Anna Elizabeth, born Nov. 20, 1772; Andrew; Abraham; and Susanna, born July 31, 1777, married John Adam Bear. Andrew was born Feb. 23, 1774. He married, Feb. 23, 1794, Mary Eva Hartman, who died about 1807. They had eight children: Catharine, born Nov. 23, 1794; Elizabeth; Susanna, born Aug. 26, 1802; Lydia; Michael, of Sugar Valley; David; Solomon, born June 14, 1806, of Sugar Valley; and George, of Allentown, a twin of Solomon, who married Elizabeth Schuler and removed to Allentown. Andrew Knerr's second wife, Gertrude, had several children. She lived to a great age, and was married several times.

Capt. David Knerr, of Weisenberg, son of Andrew, was a tailor and lived near Ziegel's church. He died at the age of 83 years. He married (first) Susanna Derr, and (second) Maria Derr. Among his children were Jonas, David, Daniel, and Henry.

David Knerr, son of David, was a farmer and shoemaker in Upper Macungie and also hauled iron ore from the mines. He was for twelve years supervisor of roads for Lower Macungie. At one time he was a deacon of the Reformed church at Fogelsville and in politics was a Republican. He died aged 77 years. He married Mary, daughter of George Smith, of Walbert's Station. She died at the age of 72 years and was buried at Lehigh schurch with her husband. They had six children: Maria, wife of Alfred Haas, of Allentown; George, of Allentown; Louisa, wife of Isaac Hummel, deceased, of Allentown; Catharine, deceased, who married Elias De Long; Henry; and Ida, deceased, who married Morris Sherer.

HENRY KNERR, of Alburtis, son of David, was born Sept. 11, 1856, in Upper Macungie. He was educated in the public schools and from the age of 8 years worked on the farm, later having been employed in a stone quarry and for two years in hauling iron ore. In 1875 he entered the employ of the Thomas Iron Company, at their Lock Ridge furnace, Alburtis, as a laborer, and has worked in all departments of the furnace for the past 39 years. In 1910, he became superintendent of the furnace and has charge of 75 men, a position he still fills most acceptably. He was for one year at Troy, N. Y., where he started a plant for the same company.

Mr. Knerr is a member of Zion Reformed church, Alburtis; of Friendly Lodge, No. 85, I. O. O. F.; Washington Camp, No. 97, P. O. S. of A.; and is a Republican in politics. He married (first) Louisa, daughter of George Gordon, now deceased. They had four children: Walter,

of Philadelphia; Mary, of New York; George and Katie, of Alburtis. He married (second), Dec. 25, 1889, Caroline, daughter of Francis and Lydia (Gordon) Boger. They have three children: William, a clerk for Wm. H. Taylor & Co., of Allentown; Warren, a school teacher at Alburtis; and Harry, a student.

Abraham Knerr, son of Abraham, Jr., was born Nov. 26, 1775. He married, in 1795, Mariga Hartman, and after her death married the second time. He was called "The Black," and speculated considerably in land. He had a large number of children, among them: Jonathan, born 1795; Benjamin, born 1798; Mariga, born 1800; and Willoughby, whose daughter married Austin E. Bush, of Allentown.

Susanna Knerr, fourth daughter of Abraham, Sr., was born Dec. 13, 1751, and died June 30, 1813. She married Peter Hartman, who died about 1788. He had six children: Eve; Susanna; Philip, born 1778; Andrew, born 1781; Catharine and Peter, who were heirs to his 146-acre tract in Heidelberg. William L. Hartman, of Allentown, is a descendant.

Dorothea Knerr, fifth and youngest daughter of Abraham, Sr., was born Aug. 11, 1756, and died March 15, 1818. She married, Sept. 5, 1779, Philip Stettler, and had three children: Mariga, Catharine, and Philip.

Andrew Knerr, youngest son of Abraham, Sr., was born June 5, 1758. He lived on the homestead in Lowhill township, which he received from his father and which he farmed until his death. He served several terms of enlistment in the Revolutionary War, enlisting first as a private at the age of 19, in 1777, in Captain John Horner's company, and later as a fifer in Captain Andrew Dapper's company, in 1780, under the command of Col. Henry Geiger. He was a member of the Reformed congregation at Unionville, where he and his wife are buried. He died in Lowhill, Dec. 13, 1840. Rev. Joseph S. Dubs conducted the funeral services. At his death, 52 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren survived him. He married, Dec. 29, 1781, Catharine Elizabeth Schall, daughter of George Schall and his wife, Catharine Newhard. She was born in Oley township, Berks county, March 4, 1764, and died April 30, 1850. They had ten children: Abraham, Catharine, Andrew, John, Peter, Anna Maria, Elizabeth, Salome, David, and Elizabeth.

Abraham Knerr, the eldest, was born Jan. 16, 1783. He married Gertrude Smith, and removed to Saegertown, Crawford county, where he died. His widow died there, Oct. 11, 1839, in her fiftieth year.

Catharine Knerr, born Dec. 23, 1784, married



Paul Kramlich and removed to Pickaway county, Ohio. They had eight children: Jonas, Stephen, David, Elizabeth, Catharine, William, Thomas, and Mary. T. E. Cromley, of Ashville, Ohio, is a son of William.

Andrew Knerr, Jr., born Feb. 17, 1787, died in June, 1865. He married Elizabeth Kocher, who died in 1861. Their children were: Amos, who died in Kalamazoo, Mich., in 1883; Jonas; Mary, married Moses Heilman; Owen; Aaron, who died at Allentown; Stephen, of Michigan; and Alvin, who died unmarried, at Schnecksville.

Jonas Knerr, son of Andrew, Jr., married Susanna Muehlhaus, a daughter of Henry, from Hesse, Germany. They had three children: Willoughby, married Martha Schlicher and had children: Lillian, George, Robert, John, Sally, Minnie, Eva and Grace; E. Henry, a justice of the peace in Lowhill, married Isabella Diehl and had six children: Daisy; Blaine, of Yonkers, N. Y.; Carrie; Katie; Emma; and Lizzie E.; Catharine, married (first) J. B. Heller, and (second) Chas. Benner, and had two children: Mary, wife of Henry Semmel; and Laura, wife of Oliver Ballet.

Owen Knerr, son of Andrew, Jr., was a farmer in Lowhill, and married (first) Susan Geddes. They had six children: Samuel, of San Francisco, Cal.; William, a miller, of Fargo, N. D., whose sons are Frank and Lloyd; James E., an enterprising dealer in farming implements and carriages, of Kreidersville, who was born June 3, 1846, married Amelia Wanamaker, and has children: Edgar E., born June 16, 1874, married Salome J. Steiner; Raymond S., born Aug. 15, 1885; and Lizzie F., born Dec. 22, 1887, married Edgar L. Smith; Lizzie, married Byron Ruppert; Ada, married Willoughby E. Miller; Asa G. Knerr, a rural letter carrier, of Allentown, who married Laura Knauss, and has children: Asa, Harry, Clarence, Estella, Mabel, Ada, and Effie.

Owen Knerr married (second) Mary Hartman and had seven children: Milton J., a lumberman, of Mill City, Oregon, who married Tena E. Pauls and has four children: Althea, born July 5, 1887; Gertrude D., born Dec. 18, 1888; Amy E., born Feb. 4, 1891; and May L., born June 13, 1898. Albert E., superintendent of the Yakima Milling Company, of North Yakima, Wash., who has two children: Alice, a graduate of Oberlin College; and Lola; Webster C. Knerr, born April 1, 1864. As a marble architect he erected many fine buildings in San Francisco and is now a retired farmer of Deer Park, Wis. He married, in 1889, at Seattle, Wash., Carrie E. Krogh, and has four children: Owen C., born Jan. 29, 1896; William E., born March 1, 1898;

Victor H., born Sept. 17, 1900; and Elsie M., born April 8, 1906.

Mary Jane, married Oscar M. J. Herman.

Calvinus Knerr, merchant and justice of the peace, of Coplay, whose children are: Luther, Ernest, Walter, Margaret, Ruth, and George.

Amelia M., married Harvey R. Bernhard.

Mrs. Ida E. Wadsworth, of Mill City, Ore.

John Knerr, son of Andrew, born April 19, 1789, died Dec. 10, 1806, is buried at Unionville.

Peter Knerr, born Nov. 15, 1792, died Aug. 22, 1797, is buried at Unionville.

Anna Maria Knerr, born Feb. 10, 1796, married Jacob Brobst. They removed to Crawford county, where she died Feb. 23, 1830. They had two daughters: Matilda, the wife of Charles Craig, of Allentown; and Abbie, the wife of Levi Knerr.

Elizabeth Knerr, born Aug. 27, 1798, married Peter Kuhns, of Lowhill township. Their daughter, Mary, married the late Col. Edw. B. Young, father of E. M. Young, of Allentown.

Salome Knerr, born Aug. 21, 1800, died Jan. 21, 1861; married George Braucher.

David Knerr, born Sept. 29, 1803.

Elias Knerr, born April 1, 1806. Elias married Miss Pfeiffer and removed to Crawford county.

David Knerr, son of Andrew, was born on the homestead in Lowhill township, Sept. 29, 1803, and was baptized by Rev. Abraham Blumer. He farmed the land which his forefathers had cultivated and was an active citizen of the township, serving as a captain of a company of Light Horse Cavalry for some years, and was one of the first advocates of free schools. He was a member of the Unionville Reformed congregation. He died Dec. 10, 1864. He married, July 8, 1827, Sarah, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hertz) Horn, of Allentown. She was born Nov. 11, 1808, and died Aug. 25, 1884. They had eleven children: Moses, Sarah, Elizabeth, Caroline, Joseph, Hiram, Mary A., David F., John A., Charles C., and Louisa C.

Moses Knerr was born Nov. 15, 1830, on the old homestead in Lowhill, which he farmed until 1902, when he removed to Allentown. He was an elder of the Morganland Reformed church and in politics a Democrat. He died in 1913. He married Amanda Clauss and had 13 children, of whom two, John A. and Edwin M., are deceased. The eleven living children are: Granville D., a tailor, of Allentown, who married (first) Jane Hoffman, and (second) Laura Masters, and has children: Willis, Mamie, Stella, and Russell; Alexander D.; Tilghman J., of Philadelphia, for 25 years a clerk with

the L. V. R. R. Co.; George F.; Harry O.; Cora A.; Emma S. J.; Louisa M.; Lizzie M.; Ella E.; Anna A.

GEORGE F. KNERR was born on the homestead, Dec. 17, 1866. He was educated in the public schools, and in the American Business College. He farmed the homestead for some years, and in 1901 was elected recorder of deeds for one term of three years. He is the owner of the old Abraham Knerr home and farm, which he has kept in excellent condition. In 1908 he erected a new barn and has installed modern methods of agriculture. He resides in Allentown, where he is a member of Salem Reformed church, and a director of the Citizens' Trust Company. He is a member of the Lehigh County Historical Society and a Democrat in politics. He married, Oct. 31, 1904, Cora A. E., daughter of Milton M. and Sarah (Helfrich) Kline.

Sarah Knerr, married (first) Jonas Hollenbach and had five sons and one daughter, and (second) Franklin Herber, and had one son and one daughter.

Elizabeth Knerr, born May 28, 1832.

Caroline Knerr, born Oct. 8, 1833, married April 2, 1854, Jonathan Kemmerer, and moved to Iowa, where she died.

Joseph Knerr was born in Lowhill, Oct. 16, 1835. He was a carriage-maker by trade, which he followed for fifteen years, at Schnecksville, when in 1865 he moved to Allentown. While there, he was employed in the grain house of A. T. Stover estate for twenty-two years. He retired in 1902, owing to ill health. He resided at No. 222 North Seventh street since 1865, where he died, May 13, 1913. He was a member of Bethany U. E. church. In politics he was a Democrat, and also served as registration assessor of the Fourth ward for three years.

He married in 1860, (first) Fietta Quier, daughter of Manasses and Julia (McHose) Quier. She died in 1877, aged 34 years, and is buried in West End cemetery. To them were born seven children: Walter L., a printer, of New York City; Nevin, who died aged eight years; Charles F., of Allentown; Ida, deceased, married N. Scheid; Sallie, who died in her seventeenth year; Harvey H., the printer, of Allentown; and Edgar E. He married (second) Matilda Witmeyer, widow of Charles Goranflo.

EDGAR E. KNERR, secretary of John Taylor & Co., of Allentown, was born June 8, 1875. He was educated in the public schools, and the American Commercial School, after which he became a bookkeeper. He entered the employ of Clelland, Simpson and Taylor in 1890, as errand boy. Later he became their bookkeeper and gradually rose from one position to another, until 1907 he was

admitted into the firm, and was made its secretary.

In politics he is a Democrat, and served as common councilman from the Tenth ward. He is a member of Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. E.; Allen Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 71; Unity Encampment, No. 12; and Knights of the Golden Eagle.

He married Sallie Beidler, daughter of Wilson Beidler, of Allentown. They have one daughter, Erma.

Hiram Knerr, born Oct. 24, 1838, married, Dec. 2, 1860, Leanna Roeder. His son, Lewis Roeder Knerr, was born Feb. 10, 1861, and is the European buyer for H. B. Claflin & Co., of New York. He married Cora Snyder, and lives in Brooklyn.

Mary Amanda Knerr, born Oct. 4, 1840, married, Nov. 7, 1858, Lewis P. Peters. They had three children: Ambrose F.; Charles E.; and Sallie L., wife of Alfred Fritz.

David Franklin Knerr, born Oct. 14, 1842, married (first) Helen Wetherhold, and (second) Mrs. Sarah Newhard, *nee* Gruver. He enlisted in Company I, 47th Penna., on Sept. 10, 1862, and was mustered out June 1, 1865. He was many years a member of the firm of John A. Knerr & Co., and died at Allentown Nov. 22, 1912.

JOHN A. KNERR was born in Lowhill township, Oct. 2, 1844; his sponsors at baptism were Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Baer. He was educated in the public schools of his native township and in his youth was confirmed as a member of the Unionville Reformed congregation by Rev. J. S. Dubbs. On March 11, 1862, he enlisted in Co. E, 176th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was honorably discharged at Philadelphia, Aug. 18, 1863. He married, June 9, 1865, Sarah Sophia Wetherold, a daughter of Nathan Wetherhold and his wife, Maria, a daughter of John Mosser. In the spring of 1870 they removed to Allentown and he entered upon a clerkship in D. H. Wannemaker's grocery store. This was the beginning of an honorable and successful business career. In 1879, he obtained a partnership in the business and is now the head of the firm of John A. Knerr & Co. Thus for almost a half century he has been engaged in the same business.

To him and his wife, Sarah S., who died Feb. 6, 1910, were born two daughters, Minnie H. and Sarah M., both of whom are cultured and refined and move in the best social circles. They are members of Zion Reformed congregation. Mr. Knerr has been a life-long Democrat, though he has never aspired to any office. He is a member



of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Knerr and his daughters reside at 823 Linden street.

Charles Clanmore Knerr, born April 23, 1847, died Dec. 18, 1864, of typhoid fever.

Louisa Catharine Knerr, born Aug. 31, 1850, married James Major and has three children: Howard J. F., junior member of the firm of John A. Knerr & Co.; James A.; and Emma, wife of Theodore Hyde.

Lafayette Knerr, the son of Nathan Knerr and his wife, Julia Ettinger, and grandson of David Knerr and his wife, Maria Bortz, was born in Longswamp township, Berks county. His father, Nathan Knerr, moved to Allentown in 1835. His children were: Charles, James, Daniel, John, Lafayette, Mrs. Eliza Diehl, Mrs. Caroline Kleckner, and Mrs. Anna Reichard. Lafayette Knerr received only a limited education and for thirty-two years was employed in the Allentown Rolling Mills. He enlisted in Company B, 47th Penna. Vol. Regt., on Aug. 30, 1861, and was mustered out Sept. 18, 1864.

He married, Oct. 11, 1848, Matilda Hillyard. Mr. Knerr was a member of the Lutheran Church and a Republican in politics. He died Feb. 15, 1905. Mr. and Mrs. Knerr had three children: Walter P., of Cleveland, Ohio; Mary J., wife of Addison J. Leaser, who has one son, Addison J., Jr.; and Nathan, who died young.

MRS. MATILDA KNERR was born at Easton, Oct. 22, 1831, the daughter of John Hilliard and his wife, Sarah Reimer. Her grandfather, Abraham Hilliard, of English descent, died in Forks township, Northampton county. His children were: William; Abraham; John; and Margaret, wife of William Snyder, of Nazareth. John Hilliard was born in Forks township, June 28, 1801. He was a farmer in that township, and in 1849 removed to Allentown, where he died, Sept. 19, 1875, and is buried on Union cemetery.

#### MILTON KNODLER.

Andrew Knodler and wife, Dorothy (Wuls Genuch) Knodler had John, born March 2, 1789, and Casper, born Oct. 16, 1790.

Andrew and John Knodler, brothers, came to Philadelphia, from Rotterdam, Holland, in the ship *Osgood*, landing on Sept. 29, 1750. In Low-hill township Geo. Knodler was assessed 6 pounds in 1762, and Andrew was assessed 9 pounds in 1764, in Heidelberg and adjoining township.

Milton Knodler, son of George and Henrietta (Shaffer) Knodler, and a descendant of the above George, was born Sept. 6, 1843, in Macungie township. He was educated in the public schools of his native town and was his father's assistant on the farm, up to the age of 21 years. He then

engaged in iron mining with Reuben Boyer, of Catasaqua for some years. He then opened a hotel at Trexlertown which he operated with success for three years, when he disposed of the business. He removed to West Bethlehem in 1878 and entered the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Works, where he remained for about 34 years. While there engaged in his work, he met with an accident, resulting in his death, Feb. 14, 1911, and interment was in Kisky Hill cemetery at Bethlehem. Mr. Knodler had erected several houses at West Bethlehem and his widow still resides in one of them. He was a member of the following organizations: The Lutheran church at Macungie; Lodge No. 231, I. O. O. F., Foglesville; Goodwill Castle, No. 75, K. G. E., I. O. R. M., Tribe No. 302; Hanover Aid Society; and the Bethlehem Steel Company Relief Assn. In politics he was a Democrat; was a councilman for two terms, at West Bethlehem.

Milton Knodler married July 27, 1865, Elvina R. Reinert, daughter of Peter and Polly (Frey) Reinert, of Foglesville. Issue: (1) Alda M.; (2) Emma; and (3) Milton T.

Alda M. (1) married Arthur Dieter. Issue: (1) Helen, married John Heim; (2) Hattie, married Henry Jacoby; (3) Sarah; (4) Arthur; (5) Clarence and (6) Charles Dieter. Emma (2) married Charles J. Smith. Issue: (1) Edith O. and (2) Minerva Smith.

Milton, married (first) Hannah Hires. Issue: Leroy Francis. He married (second) Lizzie Shankweiler.

#### EDGAR J. KNOLL.

Edgar J. Knoll, of Catasaqua, was born in Hanover township, May 25, 1881. He is the only son of the late Henry and Amanda J. Knoll, who were farming people in that township. He was educated in the Catasaqua Schools and afterward learned the art of telegraphy, which he followed as an employee of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and also the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, until in the fall of 1906, when he embarked in the freight and transfer business. He employs five men and eight horses.

In 1909 he built a modern stable and shed on the corner of Pine and American streets, and there he has his office. He has served as the Street Commissioner of Catasaqua since the year 1909. Socially he is a member of the B. P. O. E. No. 130, of Allentown; of the Odd Fellows and the Encampment; of the K. G. E., and of the F. O. E.

In 1900, he was married to Emily T. Moyer, daughter of Frank Moyer, who served in the

Civil War, and they had seven children: Edgar, Mervitt, Emily, Stanley, Paul, William, and Carl, the last three having died in infancy.

#### KOENIG FAMILY.

Heinrich König, was a pioneer of Allemangel, in Lynn township. Among his children was a son, Jacob, who, with his wife, are buried on the old graveyard at Jacksonville. The inscriptions on their gravestones are as follows:

JACOB KOENIG  
Born January 28, 1763  
Died March 28, 1829  
Aged 66 yrs., 2 mos.

BARBARA HAM  
Daughter of  
Daniel and Anna Maria Ham  
Born January 20, 1764  
In Lynn township, Lehigh county,  
married in 1787,  
and lived in married life  
42 yrs. with  
Jacob Koenig.  
Died April 8, 1837  
aged 73 yrs., 2 mos., 19 days.

Among their children were: Jacob (1791-1869); Anna Maria (1792-1866); and Daniel (1795-1848) who married Susanna Kuser (1800-1876).

Jacob Koenig, farmer, located between Lynnport and Jacksonville, was born February 5, 1791 and died May 17, 1869, aged 78 years. His homestead embraced the Charles H. Koenig farm of 72 acres, the Edwin Schitz farm of 69 acres and three other tracts (35, 28 and 17 acres); all situated in Lynn township. He built the brick house on the place in 1860. The farm was formerly owned by a Follweiler, who built a log house there, which is still standing. By trade he was a shoemaker.

Mr. Koenig was married twice. His first wife was Sarah Brobst, born December 5, 1800, and died January 16, 1825, and they had a son, Jonas; and his second wife was Anna M. Schitz, born July 18, 1796, and died February 25, 1886, aged over 89 years, and they had six children: Sarah (m. Lenius Snyder), Samuel, Mary Ann (1829-1877), Edwin (1833-1909), Rebecca (1835-1910, m. Jacob Henry), and Leah (1837-1901). He and the family were Lutheran members of the Jacobs church at Jacksonville.

Jonas Koenig, eldest son of Jacob, was born February 21, 1823, and died April 22, 1895. He was married to Catharine Kerschner, born December 23, 1825, and died December 11, 1901. They lived in Albany township, Berks county, where he carried on farming. They had three children: Kate (m. Benjamin Trexler),

Mary (m. Lewis Hosfield), and Lewis (who died young).

Samuel S. Koenig, the second son of Jacob, was born December 15, 1831, and died November 13, 1890. He was a life-long resident and farmer in Lynn township, on the place where his son Charles H. now lives. He was a Democrat, and served as the township treasurer.

His wife was Esther, daughter of Adam Follweiler (who is now living with her son, Charles H.) They had seven children: Charles H., Rosa, William (of Wenersville, Penna.), Amanda (m. Milton Klase), Annie (m. Lewis Klingaman), and Ellen (m. Edwin Gorr). He and the family were members of the Lutheran congregation of the Jacobs church, and he served there as a deacon, elder and trustee, and also as treasurer, which shows his active devotion to the affairs of the church.

CHARLES H. KOENIG, son of Samuel S., is a progressive and substantial citizen of Lynn township and occupies the homestead of his father and of his grand-father, which is his own property. He was born there in 1869 and commenced farming on the place 1896, and since he became the owner he purchased additional land to the tract, making it now altogether 105 acres. The farm is in a high state of cultivation and the buildings are superior in construction and appearance.

In 1911 he was elected to the school board. In politics he is a Democrat. He and the family are members of the Lutheran congregation at the Jacobs church and he has served there as a deacon and elder, and he is now officiating as a trustee.

In 1894 he was married to Kate, daughter of John and Julia (Lenhart) Hemmerly of Albany township, Berks county, and they have three children: Florence L., Mabel E., and Victor C.

Henry Koenig, of Permiansens, near Hamburg, Germany, came to this country in 1850, settling at Allentown, Pa. He was a barber by trade and in connection with it conducted a saloon. Later he established Koenig's Brewery at 16 South Eighth street, and he developed this establishment into large proportions. It was removed to Twelfth and Lawrence streets, and is now known as the Dauefer Brewing Co. He carried on the brewing business until 1874, when he died. He was a Lutheran member of the St. Michaels church, and is buried on the Union Cemetery, Allentown. His wife was Fredericka Deauffer, and they had the following children: Annie (married Lewis Jergens); Henry and Alfred, both deceased; Mamie (married John Keller); Ida (widow of John Sieger),



Tillie (married Harper Clouss); Louisa (married Edward Bennich); Charles (married Christina Spiegel), and Francis.

Francis Koenig was born May 5, 1852, at Allentown, and he has always lived in that city. He has been employed at the upholstery trade with leading houses in the Lehigh Valley always working as foreman. He is retired since 1892. He and family are members of St. Michael's Lutheran Church. He married Emma Billheimer, daughter of Francis and Clarissa (Wartman) Billheimer, late of Allentown, who was a pioneer lumber man. They had five children: Jonas (deceased), Clara, Arthur J. D., Helen and Marguerite (deceased).

ARTHUR J. D. KOENIG, present deputy clerk of the Orphans' Court, was born in Allentown, March 2, 1885, where he was educated in the public schools and graduated from the Allentown Business College. He took up clerical work but his health failed and he learned the boiler-making trade at the Heilman Boiler Works, which he followed there for seven years. On January 3, 1910, he was appointed the Deputy Clerk of the Orphans' Court, and in 1913 was elected clerk of the Orphans' Court.

Mr. Koenig has been active in Democratic politics since he was twenty years old. He has served various offices in the Lehigh Democratic Club, and in 1912 he was the treasurer of the Lehigh County Standing Committee. He is a member of these lodges: Barger Lodge, No. 333, F. & A. M., Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F., Livingstone Castle, No. 258, K. G. E., Knights of the Mystic Chain; the Foresters, and the Bufalos.

He married January 29, 1904, Lillie Henninger, daughter of George and Alice (Weaver) Henninger of Seidersville, Pa. They have two children: Frances A., and Kathryn E.

#### KOEHLER FAMILY.

Peter Koehler, of German descent or birth, lived in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, where he owned a farm, which later passed into the possession of his son, Samuel. Peter Koehler was a member of the Lutheran Church. He married Miss Townsend, a lady of English birth. They had children: Peter; John; Samuel, of further mention; Joseph, who went west, is said to have settled in Chicago, where he became an extensive property owner, but all trace of him has been lost; Mrs. Henry Fenstermacher; Mrs. Michael Fenstermacher; Mrs. Hess, who resided on Walnut street, Allentown; Mrs. George Beil.

Samuel, son of Peter and — (Townsend) Koehler, was born on the homestead owned by

his father, in 1801, and died in October, 1844. For a time he worked as a laborer, then became a boatman in the employ of Asa Packer, and finally learned the tailor's trade, with which he was identified for a number of years. His home was situated on a plot of ground of ten acres, above the Coplay Cement Mill, and he successfully farmed this land, and was also engaged in hauling ore with a three-horse team. He and his wife are buried at Egypt, Pennsylvania. Mr. Koehler married, Abigail Schreiber, born about 1804, died in December, 1844. They had children: Tilghman, born in 1831, died in 1903; Edward, of further mention; Franklin, of further mention; Valentine, of Coplay, Pennsylvania; and Henry Peter, who died in childhood.

Edward, son of Samuel and Abigail (Schreiber) Koehler, was born near Schwartz's Dam, Northampton county, Pennsylvania, Sept. 25, 1833. He attended the old "pay schools," where he obtained what was considered a good education at that time. For a period of four years he lived on the farm, then followed the blacksmith's trade at Coplay for twelve years, and then, for twenty-eight years cultivated a tract of one hundred and twenty acres in Whitehall township. His religious affiliation is with the Reformed church at Mickley's, in which he has served as deacon for two years, and he was formerly a deacon, elder and trustee at the Egypt church. Mr. Koehler married, in 1859, Alavesta, a daughter of John and Hannah (Keck) Erdman, of Whitehall township. Mr. Koehler was born in 1835, died in June, 1907, and is buried in Greenwood cemetery. They had children: Dora C., who married Eli Anawalt, and resides in Allentown; John M., of further mention; Linnie A., married Menno Shoemaker, formerly the proprietor of Hotel Penn, at Allentown, Pennsylvania.

John M., son of Edward and Alavesta (Erdman) Koehler, was born at Coplay, Pennsylvania, Dec. 12, 1861. His education, which was an excellent one, was acquired in the public schools of the township, and the Millersville State Normal School. He then entered upon his business career, and for three years was employed as weighmaster with the Allentown Wire Mill. In 1890 he established himself in business independently, opening a grocery store at the corner of Eighth and Walnut streets, and conducted this successfully for over 20 years. He has taken an active interest in the public affairs of Allentown, and as a representative of the Republican party of the Third ward, was elected as a member of the common council, serving continuously in this honorable body until 1912. His fraternal affiliation is with Phil Sheridan Council, No

287, Junior Order of United American Mechanics; and Alton Castle, No. 149, Knights of the Mystic Chain. He and his family are members of the St. John's Reformed church. Mr. Koehler married, in 1887, Amanda A., a daughter of Stephen and Eliza (Anewalt) Kleppinger, and they have had children: G. Russell; Edgar, who died in infancy; Allen; Paul; and Erma.

Franklin, son of Samuel and Abigail (Schreiber) Koehler, was born in North Whitehall township, April 27, 1835, and was apprenticed to learn the trade of milling at Strauss Mill, which was at that time operated by Butz & Snyder. For about four years he was engaged in this calling and then, in 1858, took up farming in Whitehall township, near the Seventh street bridge, and cultivated this farm until his retirement. This property consisted of one hundred and twenty-five acres, is now rented, and the present barn was erected by Mr. Koehler in 1904. In December, 1913, Mr. Koehler moved from the old homestead to his present beautiful home at 721 North Sixth street, Allentown. He and his family are members of Zion Reformed church, and Mr. Koehler has served as deacon in it. He married, in 1857, Susan, a daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Burkhalter) Newhard. They have had children: Emily J., unmarried; Mary Alice, who married Lyman Howe, and lives at Wilkes-Barre; Joseph, living at No. 804 North Seventh street; William A., of further mention; Robert L., a resident of Dalton, Pennsylvania; Gertrude, married J. Thomas Schantz, and lives in Allentown. Mrs. Koehler died Dec. 21, 1898, and is buried in family plot on Union cemetery.

William A., son of Franklin and Susan (Newhard) Koehler, was born on the family homestead, Whitehall township, August 15, 1868. He was educated in the township public schools and in the Allentown Business College. In 1891, in association with his brother, Joseph H., Mr. Koehler established himself in the coal business, near the North Seventh street bridge. The business is still located there and is in a most flourishing condition. Six men and seven horses are in constant requisition, and at times it is necessary to engage additional help. The firm has the best equipped coal yards in Eastern Pennsylvania, having a coal elevator measuring one hundred and twenty by forty feet, with twenty-seven openings, and a capacity of two thousand four hundred tons. The elevator is thirty feet high above the cement pillars; this height giving it an imposing appearance. Every detail which can possibly be arranged to work automatically, is furnished with the proper equipment for this

purpose. From 1893 until 1910 Mr. Koehler lived in Allentown, then removed to the Koehler homestead in Whitehall, where his father still resides. He and his family are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. Koehler married, in 1893, Mary A., a daughter of Mrs. Wilhelmina Pflock, born in Germany, who lived for a time in Philadelphia, and now makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Koehler. They have had children: Franklin B., and Marguerite E.

Samuel Koehler, son of John and Elizabeth (Beil) Koehler, was born Jan. 27, 1809, died in February, 1892. He married Lucy Ann, daughter of Frederick Biery, of Bierysport, now Catasauqua. They had the following children: 1. Sarah Ann Elizabeth, married to Dr. John C. Foelker, whose history appears elsewhere in this volume. 2. Uriah F., unmarried, and lives with his brother Monroe E. 3. Hettie, deceased, wife of James E. Hoch, of Catasauqua. 4. Samuel J., whose history follows. 5. Amanda, widow of Martin Zellner, of Shoenersville. She now lives at St. John, N. D. 6. Dr. Theodore J. Koehler is married and resides at Easton, Pa. 7. Elemina M. died unmarried in 1887. 8. William F. Koehler is married to Rosa Miller and they live at Fullerton. 9. Monroe E. is married to Susan Ferber. They reside in the Third Ward Catasauqua.

Samuel J. Koehler, the former register of wills of Lehigh county, was born in Hanover township, Dec. 28, 1842, son of Samuel Koehler, Sr. The subject obtained a liberal education and then taught the "Bast" school in Hanover for three terms, Dry Run school in Northampton county one term, and in Lower Saucon for two terms. He then accepted a position as book-keeper, for two and one-half terms, with the firm of Berger and Young, at Catasauqua. Afterward for a period of eight years he was engaged in the coal and lumber business at Catasauqua, when he engaged in the mercantile business at Catasauqua, and continued it up to 1905, when he was elected to the office of register of wills, and removed to Allentown, where he resides at No. 758 North Ninth street. He has lived a retired life since the expiration of his term of office which he filled with credit to himself and the county.

Mr. Koehler was married Dec. 15, 1874, to Anna C. Smith. They had three children as follows: John C., Winfield E., and Lucie C., who died Aug. 11, 1894.

William Franklin Koehler, real estate agent at Allentown for many years, was born Dec. 9, 1852, in Hanover township, Lehigh county. He



was brought up on a farm and followed farming for some years, then he moved to Allentown and engaged in the real estate business, which he carried on successfully for thirty years. He was married to Rosa A. Miller, and they have one child, a son, named Victor, who, after his education in the local schools, succeeded his father in the real estate business.

# KOHLER FAMILY.

The name of Kohler is found in Switzerland as early as 1476, when Nicholas Kohler is mentioned as participating in the battle of Murten. Representatives of the family have been prominent in civil life and as scholars in Switzerland since the sixteenth century. Jacob Kohler, the ancestor of the Kohler family of Whitehall, came from Muehlhausen. He was the first settler in the vicinity of Egypt, probably locating there as early as 1728 or 1730. He secured his first warrant for land on July 15, 1734, for 150 acres, which was the first warrant in the township. He secured another hundred acres by warrant of Oct. 28, 1737. In these warrants his name was spelled Colar. The entire tract of two hundred and fifty acres was patented by him on April 29, 1760. It was a rectangular tract with the Coplay creek flowing through it, and contained several fine springs. Here Jacob Kohler cultivated his land, clearing it of timber, year by year, until in 1768 he had 115 acres of cultivated land, as well as 215 acres of uncultivated land. In 1755 he built the first grist-mill in the vicinity and tradition has it that as he had a large family of daughters, he employed them in digging the mill race. He was one of the overseers of the poor in 1753, as is shown by a small scrap of paper still in existence. On April 10, 1761, he was naturalized. On Aug. 24, 1769, he deeded his land to his two sons, the elder receiving 155 acres and the mill property, and the younger receiving 193 acres. The date of his death is not known. Jacob Kohler was a man of great energy and wielded a great influence in the community. He and his wife, Mary Elizabeth, had eleven children, the eldest of whom died in infancy and was buried at Egypt.

The ten children, who all reached maturity, were:

(1). Mary Elisabeth Kohler, born May 17, 1733, died July 25, 1825. She married, March 16, 1756, George Koehler, who was born March 6, 1732, and died May 24, 1799. He was one

of the leading blacksmiths of his day. Mrs. Koehler, a woman of ability, lived to the great age of ninety-two years, universally beloved and respected. They had no children, but had an adopted son, George Smull, who was the ancestor of the compiler of Smull's Handbook.

(2). Peter Kohler.

(3). Catharine Kohler, married John Philip Roth, and had sons: Peter, John Philip, and John Jacob.

(4). Jacob Kohler.

(5). Sabina Kohler, born Jan. 14, 1744, died Aug. 8, 1785, married, Nov. 23, 1762, Peter Rhoads, of Allentown, and had four children that reached maturity: George, Peter, John, and Catharine.

(6). Magdalena Kohler, married in 1767, Peter Newhard. She had five children, and died in 1777.

(7). Margaret Kohler married John Nicholas Fuchs, who kept a hotel for many years at Seventh and Linden streets, Allentown. He died in 1809, aged 73 years. Their children were: Peter, Catharine, George, David, Barbara, Margaret, and Benjamin.

(8). Eva Catharine Kohler married John Miller, who died Sept. 18, 1788, leaving a son, Peter, and a daughter, Barbara, married to Leonard Weiss. She married second, Judge Peter Rhoads, in 1789, and died at Allentown in the old Rhoads homestead, Aug. 26, 1825.

(9). Barbara Kohler, born Feb. 6, 1750, died Feb. 8, 1826, married, May 1, 1770, George Graff. They removed to Allentown in 1774, where Mr. Graff conducted a store at Eighth and Hamilton streets for over fifty years. He was a captain in the Revolution and held other prominent positions. Their children were: Barbara, Magdalena, Joseph, George, Sara, Hanna, Catharine, Anna, and Jacob.

(10). Anna Mary Kohler, the youngest daughter of Jacob, was born May 6, 1752, and died Feb. 6, 1823. She married, May 18, 1773, George Jacob Newhard. They removed to Allentown and reared a family of three sons: Abraham, Peter, and Jacob, and several daughters.

Peter Kohler, eldest son of Jacob Kohler, Sr., was born at Egypt, April 2, 1735. He assisted his father on his farm and at the mill and in 1762 opened a hotel at Egypt to which he added a store in 1764. He continued to conduct the mill and became one of the leading citizens of the township. At the beginning of the Revolu-

tion he was chosen a member of the county committee of observation. November 8, 1777, was appointed a commissioner to collect clothing for the American troops, and Dec. 16, 1777, he was appointed by the assembly to take subscriptions for the continental loan in the county. He was commissioned one of the justices of the county on May 28, 1779, and was elected to the assembly in 1780, 1781 and 1782. He died Sept. 27, 1793, at the age of fifty-eight and was buried at Egypt. He was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation and was one of the building committee that erected the second church in 1785, to which he was one of the largest contributors, giving £29. He married Juliana Margaret Guth, born in 1740, eldest daughter of Lorenz Guth. They had several children who died in infancy, namely: Peter, born in 1761; Eva Catharine, born in 1763; and Jacob, born Jan. 10, 1766. Their youngest and only child that lived to maturity was John Peter Kohler, who was born Dec. 18, 1780, and died Jan. 23, 1871. He was a boy of twelve when his father died and upon attaining his majority he obtained possession of the mill and farm land which he continued to conduct. In 1809 he built a new stone grist-mill, which still stands, but did not rebuild the saw-mill, which had existed for many years. He was an active member of the Reformed congregation at Egypt, and a man of prominence and good standing in the community. He married, Sept. 3, 1801, Catharine Steckel, daughter of Jacob Steckel, and his wife, Eve Catharine Saeger. She was born Dec. 12, 1782, and died June 3, 1853. They had seven children: Esther, Dr. William S., Peter, Aaron, Sophiana, Josiah, and Ann Lavinia.

Dr. William S. Kohler, eldest son of Peter Kohler, second, was born at Egypt, Sept. 8, 1804. He graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania and located at his native place where he enjoyed a large practice and was held in high esteem. He married, in 1831, Mary Magdalena Kern, daughter of Michael Kern. She was born Nov. 5, 1803, and died Jan. 27, 1842. They had five children, three of whom died in childhood and two who reached maturity: Willoughby F., who died single in 1866, aged 30 years; and Dr. John P. K. Kohler. Dr. Kohler married, the second time, Catharine Laury. She was born Sept. 22, 1818, and died June 9, 1892. They had five children: Alfred C. W., now in Kansas; Silas D. G.; Alice D., born 1855, died 1893; Maria J., died Aug. 13, 1907, the wife of Dr. J. Dallas Erdman, of Allentown; and Sarah. Dr. William S. Kohler died Dec. 6, 1870, at Egypt.

Dr. John Peter Kohler, son of Dr. William

S., was born at Egypt, Aug. 4, 1841. At the age of nine years he was sent to Dr. Vanderveer's Preparatory School at Easton, and later entered Franklin and Marshall College, where he graduated at the age of seventeen. He graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania at the outbreak of the Civil War, and like all young men at that time whose first thought was duty to their country, entered the army. He applied at Harrisburg, where, out of thirty applicants he was one of three that passed. He was made a contract surgeon and had charge of all the hospitals at Camp Curtin and Camp Capitol, and was in charge of three brigades. Dr. Kohler stated in a letter written Sept. 23, 1862, that he had 800 wounded men under him, with eight assistants, and that in the last 72 hours he had performed 42 amputations. He afterward enlisted in the 153d Regiment as assistant surgeon and served in hospitals under the command of the medical director, and was given charge of all the hospitals of the Eleventh Corps encamped at Aquia creek. After the battle of Fredericksburg he was stricken with typhoid fever and was sent home. He recovered in time to rejoin his regiment and assist in the care of the wounded at Gettysburg, and was mustered out with his command at Harrisburg. He died May 27, 1866, from a recurrence of the same disease he had been afflicted with three years before. Dr. Kohler married Miss Emma E., daughter of Stephen Balliet and had two children: (1). Francis N., who married, Nov. 22, 1899, Dr. Thomas Leidy Rhoads, a prominent surgeon in the United States army, who was physician and military aide to President Taft. Mrs. Rhoads died June 16, 1904, leaving one son, T. Collier Rhoads.

(2). J. Herbert Kohler, son of Dr. John P. Kohler, was born April 14, 1865, at Egypt. He was educated in the schools of Allentown, Blackman's Business College, Muhlenberg College, and the Peirce Commercial School, in Philadelphia. He then became a clerk in Trexler & Hartzell's book-store, where he remained two years, when, in 1887, he became bookkeeper for Fichter & Martin at Bethlehem, with whom he remained 21 years. He was elected register of wills in 1908, and served from Jan. 1, 1909, to July 1, 1910, when he was appointed postmaster of Allentown, which office he held until 1914. He is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M.; B. P. O. E.; F. O. of Eagles; Macabees, Woodmen of the World, Mystic Circle, Good Will Fire Company, Keystone Athletic Association, John Hay Club, Saengerbund, and McKinley Club. Mr. Kohler married M. Nellie Seip and has one son, Edwin L. Kohler.

Aaron Kohler, son of John Peter Kohler, and



his wife, Catharine Steckel, was born at Egypt, June 1, 1809. He received his education in the schools at Egypt, and in New Jersey, and after leaving school entered his father's mill and learned the miller's trade which he followed for over fifty years in the mill built by his father in 1809, on the site of the original mill built by his great-grandfather. He was a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation, and served it as deacon, elder and trustee. He was also a member of the building committee to which he gave 220 days of his time and an active member of the Sunday school. He was also school director for several years. He died Jan. 20, 1899, aged 89 years. He married Esther Swartz, who was born April 28, 1809, and died Jan. 5, 1883. They had two children: Lewis A.; and Peter James, born Nov. 15, 1842, and died July 16, 1847, aged 4 years, from a fall in the mill.

Lewis A. Kohler, son of Aaron, was born Jan. 16, 1839. He was educated in the schools at Egypt, and in a private school at Easton. He assisted his father at the mill and on his farm until it passed into his hands and the farm is still under his management. He was one of the first Sunday school teachers of Egypt church and took an active part in Sunday school work. He has served as deacon, elder and trustee of the Egypt Reformed congregation and is a member of the building committee to rebuild the church. He married, April 28, 1863, Pauline, daughter of James Newhard and his wife, Salome Kline. They have seven children: Elmer P.; George A.; Laura A., married Joseph P. Mickley; Clara A., married James Peters; Dallas R.; Annie M., married Frank Apple; and Irwin J.

GEORGE A. KOHLER was born at Egypt, July 26, 1870, and educated in the public schools of the vicinity. Until the age of eighteen he was employed on his father's farm when he took charge of the Kohler grist-mill, which he still conducts. In 1910 he entered into a partnership with his brother Dallas in the coal and feed business, under the name of Kohler Brothers. He is a member of Egypt Reformed church, of Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F., and of the Improved Order of Red Men, and is a Republican in politics.

DALLAS R. KOHLER was born at Egypt, May 4, 1875, and was educated in the township. He remained at home on the farm for some years and later learned the trade of a plumber. In 1900, he engaged in the coal business with his father at Egypt. In 1909, with his brother George, he established the coal, feed and grain business, which they still conduct, known as Kohler Brothers. Mr. Kohler is a member and deacon of the Egypt Reformed congregation. He is

a member of the Modern Woodmen, P. O. S. of A., and Improved Order of Red Men, and is a Republican in politics. He married Alphaena, daughter of Lewis Leh, and his wife, Charlotta Hartz.

Peter Kohler, son of Peter, 2d, was born April 24, 1807. He married a Miss Biery, and removed to Seneca county, New York, where he died in 1900. Josiah Kohler, another son, was born Oct. 8, 1813. He married (1) Regina Newhard, born 1814, and died 1849, and (2) a Miss Schneck. He later moved to Indiana.

Jacob Kohler, younger son of the emigrant Jacob, was born at Egypt in 1739, and died there Nov. 1, 1830. He was a farmer all his life and cultivated the land received from his father.

He married (first) Mary Barbara Newhard, who died in 1780, and (second) Mary Elizabeth Frey. He had fourteen children:

(1). John Kohler, born Sept. 6, 1766, died March 9, 1790.

(2). John Peter Kohler, born June 8, 1768, died May 24, 1848. He was an educated man and well esteemed in the locality. For many years he ran the mill for his uncle. He married, in 1801, Susanna Kern, and had children: Judith, born Feb. 1, 1803, died April 7, 1805, buried at Allentown; Edward, born July 8, 1806, died Nov. 22, 1882, for many years a justice of the peace at Egypt, and surveyor; and Euphemia, born Nov. 16, 1807, died Nov. 15, 1896, unmarried. Squire Edward Kohler married Lydia Remaly and had children: Edward Xenophon, born 1836, died 1878; Celistia R., married Abraham Schadt; Lydia M. F., married Aaron Ritter; Emeline O. P.; George P.; Victor Z.; Rev. Phaon, of Glasgow, Pa.; and Rev. Sidney A. Kohler, of Mifflinburg, Pa.

(3). Susanna Kohler, born Feb. 5, 1772.

(4). Anna Margaret Kohler, born Jan. 17, 1774.

(5). John Jacob Kohler, born Aug. 13, 1778, died Feb. 10, 1817. He married Anna Maria Kretchman and had children: Joseph, who married Maria Saeger and removed to Indiana; Anna, married Michael Kelchner; Jacob; Mary; Euphemia, married Solomon Kratzer; Mrs. Margaret Kratzer; and Mrs. Reuben Semmel.

(6). Mary Elizabeth Kohler, born Dec. 16, 1779.

(7). Eva Maria Kohler, born May 31, 1781.

(8). Mary Catharine Kohler, born Jan. 31, 1783, died Oct. 31, 1866, married John Jacob Scheurer.

(9). Benjamin Kohler, born June 10, 1785, married Catharine Burkhalter. He removed to Carbon county and had children: Catharine, Manasses, Lucas, Luciana, Henrietta, and Eliza.

(10). Abraham Kohler, born Aug. 6, 1787, died single, April 1, 1861.

(11). Daniel Kohler, sixth son of Jacob, 2d, was born Sept. 5, 1789, and died June 14, 1865. He was a farmer and married, in 1814, Mary M. Hensinger, who was born Nov. 30, 1793, and died Oct. 5, 1859. They had seven children: Debora, born 1815, married Eli Laubach; Ephraim, born 1818; Tilghman, born 1821; Joshua, born 1824; Charles, born 1828; Edmund, born 1830, died 1897; Louisa S., born 1836, and died 1901, married John Gracely; and Sarah Ann, born 1833, died 1902, married Moses C. Woodring.

Joshua Kohler, third son of Daniel, born Aug. 3, 1824, was educated in the schools of Egypt and in a private school in New Jersey. He farmed a portion of the Kohler homestead all his life and also followed the occupation of a shoemaker. He was supervisor of Whitehall township for ten years and served also as tax collector. He was a Republican in politics, and in religion a member of the Egypt Reformed congregation, which he served as deacon, elder and trustee. He died Feb. 8, 1895. He married Sarah E. Knauss, who was born July 14, 1823, and died April 30, 1896. They had nine children: Calvin, deceased; Ellen, died in childhood; Maria, married William Fogel; Sarah, married Tilghman Roth; Mary; Rosa, married John Heberling; Josephine; Anna, married James Frantz; John O.; Edwin; and Willoughby.

JOHN O. KOHLER was born in Whitehall township, July 26, 1863, and secured his education in the native schools. He was employed on his father's farm until the age of twenty years, when he entered the employ of the American Cement Company, with whom he remained for twenty years. In 1903, he built a bakery at Egypt and conducted it for three years. He is a carpenter and cooper by occupation, and is employed as a cooper by the Lehigh Portland Cement Company.

He is a member of Egypt Reformed congregation, of which he has been deacon, elder for two terms, and trustee for ten terms. He is a member of the Red Men and the Whitehall Beneficial Society, and is a Republican in politics.

Mr. Kohler married, May 12, 1883, Fianna, daughter of Thomas Yehl, and his wife, Sarah Graul. They have one son, Nero J. Kohler, who was born Dec. 8, 1883, in Rockdale, North Whitehall township. He was educated in the Whitehall township schools and in Siegfried high school. He became a baker and is now head baker for the Egypt Baking Company, by whom he has been employed for twelve years. He married, Aug. 16, 1902, Eva S., daughter of Chester

Newhard and his wife, Rebecca Wenner, and has two children: Walter N., and Kenneth N.. Mr. Kohler is a member of Egypt Reformed church, a Republican in politics and past sagem of Tribe No. 97, I. O. R. M.

Edmund Kohler, son of Daniel, had children: William, James, Tilghman, Mrs. Tilghman Scholl, and Mrs. Thomas Farrell.

(12). John Kohler, born Feb. 21, 1793, removed to Michigan about 1820. He was a manufacturer of peppermint oil.

(13). Isaac Kohler, born Jan. 24, 1796, was a blacksmith. He married, March 18, 1821, Catharine Scheurer and had children: William, Horace, Charles, James and Ephraim.

(14). Joseph Kohler, youngest child of Jacob, 2d, was born May 19, 1799. He located in the West at the same time as his brother John.

#### KOCH FAMILY.

The ancestor of the Koch family in Lehigh county was Adam Koch, who arrived at Philadelphia from Germany, on May 30, 1741. He settled in Whitehall township, where he was taxed £7 in 1762. His daughter, Maria Christina, was baptized Dec. 8, 1741, at the Jordan Lutheran church. His wife, Anna Maria Koch, was born in 1701 and died in 1776. Among his children were Adam and Henry Koch. Henry Koch removed to Macungie township, where he owned a 250-acre farm and was a blacksmith as well as farmer. He was a deacon in the Jordan Lutheran congregation and married Dorothea Knedler. They had children: Henry, born 1778; John, born 1782; Solomon, born 1789; John Leonard, born 1786; and Daniel, born 1792.

John Koch, born Nov. 7, 1782, died Nov. 29, 1862, married Susanna, daughter of Peter and Catharine Rabenold. She was born Oct. 28, 1782, and died Jan. 22, 1853. He was a farmer and blacksmith and was a member of the Jordan Lutheran church, where he and his wife are buried. Among their children were: John, Samuel, and Thomas.

Samuel Koch, son of John, was born in Upper Macungie township, Oct. 30, 1817, and died March 23, 1879, aged 61 years, 4 months and 2 days. He is buried at Jordan Lutheran church, of which he was a member. He was a farmer and had a 125-acre farm. In politics he was a Democrat and held local offices. His wife was Sarah Snyder, of South Whitehall township. She was born Sept. 26, 1819 and died Jan. 25, 1875, aged 55 years, 3 months and 29 days. Mr. and Mrs. Koch had thirteen children: Amanda, wife of Henry Kern; Elmira, wife of Tilghman Schneck; Mary, wife of Alexander Guth; Elemina, wife



of James Troxell; Alfred J., of North Whitehall township; Sarah, who died single; George J.; Francis, who died in infancy; William, of Chapman Station; Emma, wife of William Zeigler; Dr. Morris, of Lyon's Station; Rosa, wife of Allen Wenner; Jeremiah, who died in Allentown; and Samuel, deceased, who married Irene Hensinger. Both Jeremiah and Samuel died in the spring of 1886 in a typhoid fever epidemic.

ALFRED J. KOCH, a substantial farmer of North Whitehall township, was born in Upper Macungie, Jan. 2, 1846, and lived in that district until he was twenty-six years of age. In the spring of 1876 he moved upon a farm near Wenersville and the following year he settled upon his 43-acre farm situated in the southern part of the township, where he lives to this time. This farm was the Daniel Gross homestead and was in that family about 110 years. The house still standing is one of the land-marks of that district. Mr. Koch is a director of the Lehigh Mutual Fire Insurance Company since 1886 and has served this company as its treasurer since 1899. Politically he is a Democrat and was elected assessor of Upper Macungie, and auditor of South Whitehall, serving both offices with marked ability.

On May 24, 1868, he married Annie M. Wenner, a daughter of Charles and Judith (Gaumer) Wenner. They are members of the Jordan Lutheran church, which Mr. Koch served as a deacon, elder and trustee for a number of years. They have five children: Alice, wife of Prof. E. J. Flexer, of Allentown; Edith J.; Warren E., married Cora Peters and is a post office clerk at Allentown; John G., married Goldie Biery, who live at Siegfried; and Samuel J., who was educated in the public schools and at the normal school at Kutztown, and is married to Mabel Handwerk.

George J. Koch, a retired citizen of Allentown, was born Dec. 26, 1849. He learned the milling trade, and for thirteen years followed that trade at Sieger's Mill and at Kernsville. Later he operated a farm for six years and in 1886 he came to Allentown, where he engaged in the retail shoe business, having his store at 805, 815 and 742 Hamilton street up to Dec. 1, 1909. He had a large trade and was at three places in order stated.

In 1876, he was married to Mary A. Huntzinger, daughter of Owen Huntzinger. They have five children, as follows: Harry I.; Luella, who married A. A. Kunkel, resides at Detroit, Mich., and has a son, Ambrose K.; Sadie; Sal-lie; and Mazie, who married Raymond Serfass. Mr. Koch and his family are members of St. Michael's Lutheran church.

HARRY I. KOCH, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and a member of the firm of Brown & Koch, insurance and real estate brokers of Allentown, was born near Siegersville, Nov. 29, 1876. When a mere lad, his parents came to Allentown, where he attended high school and was graduated in 1892. The following spring he was graduated from the American Commercial School of Allentown, and later was engaged by the Krall Furniture Company and the Yeager Furniture Company, both of Allentown, for a period of fifteen years. With the latter concern he occupied a position of an executive nature involving considerable responsibility. In 1908 he severed his relations with the Yeager Furniture Company to become associated with his present partner, Ray S. Brown, in the real estate business under the firm name of Brown & Koch. Their offices are located at No. 729 Hamilton street. The firm is of no long standing but by energy enterprise and sound business methods, together with unquestioned integrity and character, they immediately forged their way to the front amongst the insurance and real estate brokers of the city.

In the spring of 1909 the Chamber of Commerce felt the need of a secretary, one of sufficient standing in the community to properly care for the many important matters continually presenting themselves before the body. From a list of more than sixty applicants, it unanimously elected Mr. Koch, who since serves this position with merit. Through the efforts of Mr. Koch the membership has been increased and interest has been awakened. Numerous enterprises of various kinds have located here through the publicity campaign, pointing out the excellent advantages of Allentown and vicinity as a manufacturing center, among which was the Lehigh Valley Steel Co., which was started here in the spring of 1910, through the personal efforts of the secretary. This concern from a small beginning has already grown to such proportions as to necessitate the payment of \$50,000 in wages per annum.

Mr. Koch is prominently identified with the Allentown Lodge of Elks, No. 130, having served in all its official capacities and being one of its most active and influential members, having been the Exalted Ruler during the years 1911 and 1912.

During 1894 and 1895 Mr. Koch was one of Lehigh county's prominent bicyclists and attained the highest speed during that year. As an amateur, he won a number of races in Allentown, Reading, Harrisburg, Hazelton, etc. He was also connected with the Allen Wheelmen.

He and his family are members of Christ Lutheran church, Mr. Koch having served in the

vestry for several years and was one of the organizers of its Sunday school in January, 1904, since which time he served as its secretary.

On September 14, 1898, he was united in marriage to Miss Carrie E. Miller, one of the city's school teachers for several years. Their children are: George, Herbert, and J. Walter.

Thomas Koch, son of John and his wife, Elizabeth Snyder, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Schantz) Snyder, had children: Willoughby, born 1844, died 1912, a farmer at Kuhnsville, who married Elemina Guth, and had nine children: William H., of Koch & Person; Ray; Robert, of Bethlehem; Thomas, deceased; Mrs. Alvin Faust, of Ambler; Lillie E., wife of John H. Lichtenwalner, of Allentown; Mrs. John Shoemaker, of Breinigsville; Mrs. Maggie Kerschner, deceased; and Mrs. Hattie Kuhns, deceased; Horatio B., of H. Leh & Company, Allentown; Frank W., deceased; Thomas J., of Allentown; Mrs. Benj. F. Kuhns; Mrs. Samuel Ritter; and Mrs. Richard Kuhns.

#### FRANK W. KOCH.

Frank Walter Koch, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Snyder) Koch, was born Dec. 10, 1850, on a farm near Kuhnsville, Lehigh county, Pennsylvania. He attended the local country schools and worked on his father's farm until he was some fifteen years or more of age, and then determined to learn the tailor's trade. For that purpose he worked under a Mr. Lohrman for two or three years at Claussville, and then went to Allentown, where he secured employment with Breinig & Leh, as a garment cutter. This firm was afterward succeeded by H. M. Leh & Company. Young Koch continued in their employment until early in the year 1876; meanwhile, he became not only an expert garment cutter, but familiarized himself with the details of the entire clothing business as then conducted.

He formed a partnership with Wilson Shankweiler, March 3, 1876, and they began a retail clothing business at 618 Hamilton street, Allentown, under the name of Koch & Shankweiler. The enterprise proved to be a profitable venture, the business increased rapidly, and became permanent. In 1884 or 1885, the firm bought the old Allen House site at the corner of Seventh and Hamilton streets and erected the Hotel Allen building thereon, using the upper floors for a hotel and the first floor for a clothing store. They moved into the new quarters in the hotel building on Feb. 1, 1886, and in July following, Mr. Shankweiler died. The Shankweiler interest was soon purchased by Thomas J. Koch and Lewis Shankweiler, and later the business was

conducted under the firm name of Koch Brothers. This arrangement was continued until the death of Frank W. Koch, and was uniformly successful in the years that followed; in a few years it became the largest retail clothing business in eastern Pennsylvania. The firm at different times bought adjoining lots and expanded their building until it became the most valuable piece of real estate in the city.

Frank Walter Koch married Mary Irene Heller, daughter of Peter and Anna (Hartz) Heller, the 24th day of July, 1886, at Allentown, Pennsylvania. She was born April 3, 1860, at Allentown, and is descended from the Christopher Heller family. She travelled extensively with her husband during his life-time, spends her days out of doors in recreation and in the management of the varied interests of her husband's estate and towards fostering many private charities. In 1907, she had a large memorial window erected in Christ's church, Lutheran, to her deceased husband, and still resides in the elegant home at 1208 Hamilton street, which he built during his life-time for their domicile.

They have one daughter, Anna Elizabeth Koch, who was born July 5, 1891, at Allentown, Pennsylvania; was graduated in June, 1908, from the Allentown Woman's College; and afterward attended Dana Hall, at Wellesley, Mass. She married Norton Louis Lichtenwalner, of Allentown, on Oct. 15, 1912. He was born June 1, 1889, at Allentown, and is the son of Frederick and Jennie (Seiple) Lichtenwalner, of Allentown. Mr. Lichtenwalner was engaged in the brokerage business in his native city for some years, and is now a member of the firm of J. M. Grimley Co.

Mr. Koch was the owner of much real estate in Allentown; was one of the largest stockholders and a director of the Allentown National Bank; a trustee of Muhlenberg College, and of the Allentown Hospital; also a member of the Livingstone Club; and of the Lutheran church at Allentown. He contributed generously to church and charitable enterprises and always took an active interest in such enterprises that had for their object the good and welfare of the community. He travelled extensively in America during the later years of his life, and was on his third trip to Europe when he lost his life in the great Salisbury, England, railroad disaster. He and his wife had planned the trip as a duplication of their honeymoon trip of twenty years before; and to give their daughter, Anna Elizabeth Koch, then fifteen years old, her first glimpse of foreign lands. They had sailed from New York on June 23, 1906, to join the Raymond and Whitcomb party in London on a tour through the British Isles.







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and the continent of Europe when the fatal accident occurred. His wife was seriously injured in the same wreck, but she recovered.

Frank Walter Koch died on Sunday, July 1, 1906, at Salisbury, England. His remains were shipped to the United States aboard the steamship Minneapolis, and the body arrived in Allentown July 17, 1906, where the funeral services and interment took place. In passing, it may be added that many prominent citizens of Allentown paid tribute to the dead in both public and private eulogy.

The deceased was the city's most distinguished and successful merchant; he was always a leader in the development of every laudable public enterprise; and a citizen noted alike for his piety and benevolence. He was a member of Christ's Lutheran church, in Allentown, but had formerly attended St. John's church, of which he was a member of the vestry, and held the office of ruling elder of Christ's church at the time of his death. He was ever alert in the advancement of the Christian religion, liberal in his charities, and attained the respect of all who knew him. In his demise, the community and state lost an honored citizen, and the church a pillar of strength in the passing of a noble Christian character.

#### THOMAS J. KOCH.

Thomas J. Koch, leading clothing merchant, banker, and real estate owner of Allentown, was born Aug. 8, 1861, at Kuhnsville, Lehigh county, son of Thomas Koch.

In 1876, at the age of 15 years, on a cold March morning, he left his Kuhnsville home, full of vigor, with a robust constitution, a clear brain, and a determination to make his mark in the world.

He began his business career in Allentown as a clerk with his brother, Franklin W. Koch, and Wilson C. Shankweiler, who established, on March 30, 1876, a clothing store, in a humble way, at 618 Hamilton street, under the name of Koch & Shankweiler. At that time Thomas J. Koch was the only clerk in the store. From the outset the firm prospered, and in 1886, desiring to enlarge their headquarters, they erected the Hotel Allen building, where they moved, occupying the entire ground floor.

Mr. Shankweiler, the associate of Mr. F. W. Koch, died while the latter was abroad on his wedding tour, from which he returned on Aug. 15, 1886, and soon thereafter Thomas J. Koch became a member of the firm. In 1891 the firm name was changed to Koch Brothers, and the business grew with wonderful strides, until a total of 86,000 square feet of floor space was utilized.

In 1906 alterations for Hotel Allen were made at an expense of \$100,000. On July 1, 1906, while these improvements were in progress, Frank W. Koch was killed in a railway accident at Salisbury, England, while on a European tour. Subsequently, Thomas J. Koch purchased his late brother's interest in the hotel and clothing business, becoming thereby the sole owner thereof.

On Jan. 1, 1907, Mr. Koch effected a reorganization of the business, admitting his two nephews, Willis E. Kuhns and Harry W. Jordan, who share in the profits of the firm. Mr. Koch appointed E. S. Shankweiler as manager of the advertising department and decorator, and inaugurated a system by means of which every employee of the establishment shares in the prosperity of the business, each according to his merits.

The Koch Brothers store is replete with interesting features, chief among which is the lighting scheme supplied by a privately owned plant from which current is secured for a myriad of electric lights. To stop to speak of the extent, worth, exclusiveness or other characteristics of the stock with which each department of the store is supplied, has no place here. Thirty-five years of steady growth tells its own tale. In the various departments over 60 people are employed, independent of the garment makers. In 1900, Mr. Koch made 97 per cent. of all the clothing sold in the large establishment.

Mr. Koch has been vice-president of the Merchants' National Bank of Allentown since April 1, 1903, at which time he became a member of the board of directors.

Thomas J. Koch married Miss Lydia Morgan Moore, daughter of Hon. John M. Moore, of Clayton, New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Koch reside in their fine residence at No. 448 Hamilton street, Allentown.

The three Koch brothers, Frank W., Thomas J., and Horatio, have always taken an active interest in church work and they have done much in the organization and erection of the beautiful and costly edifice of the Christ Evangelical Lutheran church at Thirteenth and Hamilton streets, Allentown.

John George Koch, a native of the Palatinate, came to America on Nov. 1, 1755 and settled in Upper Saucon township with his brother, Charles Ludwig Koch. He had four children: John Jacob, Joseph, Tobias, and Mrs. Hillegas. John Jacob Koch married Catharine, daughter of Frederick Mohr and had two sons: Charles Ludwig, who died aged 14, and Joseph, and four daughters: Catharine, wife of Abraham Fehr; Susanna,

wife of John Eichelberger; Salome, unmarried; and Elizabeth, who died young.

Joseph Koch was a farmer and died March 9, 1859, aged 52 years. He and his wife, Susanna Roth, are buried at Lower Saucon church. They had eleven children: Caroline, wife of William Werner; Matilda, wife of J. O. Knauss, superintendent of the Lehigh county schools for 21 years and now in the Department of Public Instruction at Harrisburg, who has a son, Alfred, and a daughter, Tevilia; Catharine A., wife of Michael Hauser; Charles L., Captain of Co. D, 176th Regt., P. V., in the Civil War, who married Amanda Gaumer; John R., married Maria Schlaugh; Elizabeth, wife of Milton Schaadt; Frank; Susanna, wife of Edward Kunsman; and Joseph, William, and Mary A., who died young.

#### DAVID KOCH.

George Koch, who is buried on the old graveyard of the Egypt church, lived near "Yellis' Mill," and was a stone mason by trade. He was married to Anna Levan, born July 17, 1806, died May 15, 1875. They were members of the Reformed congregation of Egypt church. Their children now all deceased, were: 1. John; 2. Joseph, who died at Northampton, aged 82 years; 3. George, a boatman, lived near the homestead in Whitehall township. 4. Charles, was a furnace worker, and died at Allentown. 5. Amanda, married to George Gogle. 6. Eliza, married to William Bigel.

John Koch, son of George, was a farmer near Siegersville, in South Whitehall township. His homestead is now owned by Owen Heller. He is buried at the Jordan Reformed church, of which he and his wife are members.

His wife, Mary Ruch, was a daughter of David and Polly (Xander) Ruch. They had the following children: David, mentioned later; Elizabeth, married to Slias Miller; Amanda, married to John Weaver; and Susan, married to Benneville Shoemaker.

David Koch, a retired farmer residing at Guth's Station, Pa., was born in Northampton county, in 1854. In 1880 he began farming near Guth's Station, and there he continued successfully for twenty-six consecutive years. The farm consists of 126 acres and is now owned by Koch and Balliet.

Mr. Koch also owns a 60-acre farm in South Whitehall township, formerly the property of Peter Troxell, and tenanted since 1913 by J. F. Klotz, son-in-law of Mr. Koch, who purchased the farm in 1912.

Mr. Koch retired in 1906 and settled at Guth Station in his own home. He has served as

a deacon, elder and trustee of the Jordan Reformed church.

In the year 1879, Mr. Koch was married to Madeira A. Miller, who died on Feb. 24, 1909, aged 55 years. She was a daughter of Alfred and Debora (Leinberger) Miller, of South Whitehall. They have an only daughter, Ella, married to John F. Klotz, and they have a daughter, Minnie M.

#### JOHN W. KOCH.

John W. Koch, foreman of iron in the furnace of the Thomas Iron Co., was born in Weissport, Carbon county Nov. 17, 1855. He is the oldest son of Lewis Koch, and a grandson Wilhelm Koch. Lewis was born in Hesse, Germany, and came to America in company with Philip Storm, of Catasaqua. He was married to Christina Muhlberg. They had issue as follows: John W.; William and Lewis, both of whom died in infancy; Louisa, died at the age of 10; Annie, married to John Weiss, deceased, and Mary, married to Charles Lafaw, of Bethlehem. He was a butcher by trade. He died at Danielsville, February, 1865, and lies buried at Berlinsville. He was a member of the Evangelical church. His wife, Jan. 18, 1909, having reached the age of 80 years, 5 months and 18 days. She lies buried on her son's, John W., burial plot in the Allen Union Cemetery.

John W. received a common school education. During his early years he worked on the farm, until in 1884, when he was employed at Fullerton for a period of 8 months. In 1886 he entered the employ of the Thomas Iron Company as a pig iron man and in 1900 was made the head of the iron department. He is a member of the P. O. S. of A., and Independent American orders, and a member of Salem Reformed congregation, in which he served as deacon and treasurer for a period of six years. On Christmas day, 1883, he was married to Ida Arndt, a daughter of Henry and Sarah (Halde-man Arndt, of Moore township, Northampton county. This union was blessed with three children: Ralph, who was killed at Hokendauqua, Feb. 15, 1909, aged 24 years. He leaves to mourn his death his widow, Emma, *nee* Seip, and two children, Arthur and Emma (posthumous). Mabel, married to Stanley Frantz, of Catasaqua, is the mother of two daughters, Geneva and Hazel; and John W. H.

#### ANDREW KOCH.

Andrew Koch, of Egypt, Pa., was born in Kukmirn, Austria, August 9, 1873, son of Ma-



thias and Mary (Towerler) Koch and there he married Theresa Maitz on February 2, 1897. She was a daughter of Mike and Theresa (Punn) Maitz. They emigrated to the United States, landing at New York on March 5, 1902, and shortly afterward went to West Coplay, in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, where he found employment with the Lehigh Portland Cement Co.; and later he became an employee of the Newweiler Brewing Co. He built for himself a home at West Coplay and lived in it until in 1910, when he took charge of the American Hotel at Egypt, which has twenty-two rooms.

On April 13, 1912, Mr. Koch sailed for the land of his nativity and paid a visit to his parents and relatives, returning to Pennsylvania June 4th of the same year. He and his family are Lutherans. He is a member of the Evangelical Union, an organization of his own countrymen. His children are: Theresa, Hermonis, Julia, Adolph, Gustav, Samuel, Frank, and Hilda.

#### KOCHER FAMILY.

Martin Kocher, a native of Holtzenhausen, Nassau Dillenberg, arrived in America at Philadelphia on Sept. 26, 1737. He settled in Heidelberg township, where he secured 100 acres of land by warrant of Oct. 12, 1738, and 114 acres by warrant of Nov. 5, 1747. He died about 1762, leaving a widow, *nee* Sarah Kosin, and five children: Peter, Nicholas, Elizabeth, Martin, and Adam.

Peter Kocher, brother of Martin, came to America on Oct. 28, 1738, at the age of 38 years. He also settled in Heidelberg, where he owned a tract of 150 acres. He had a son, Conrad, born Jan. 2, 1740.

Peter Kocher, eldest son of Martin, was born Feb. 15, 1740, and baptized in the Reformed faith by the pastor of the Whitehall charge, when his sponsors were Nicholas Saeger and Barbara, wife of Ulrich Burkhalter. He removed to Lowhill township, where he was a farmer on a tract of 130 acres. He was one of the early members of the Lowhill Reformed church. He died, May 10, 1803, and is buried at Lowhill church. He married, Dec. 6, 1763, Anna Elizabeth, daughter of Jost and Anna Juliana (Segni) George, who was born Dec. 9, 1741, and baptized soon after in the Reformed faith, when her sponsors were John Simon George and Elizabeth Kreutz. They had two sons.

Simon Kocher, son of Peter, was born Aug. 6, 1764. He purchased the homestead, which he farmed until his death, April 19, 1833. He was

married to Maria Elizabeth, a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Danner, and they had twelve children: a son, Benjamin, and four daughters, who were respectively married to Andrew Knerr, Jacob Holben, Christian Kramlich, and Andrew Hartman; and seven others who died young. They were members of the Reformed congregation of the Lowhill church, and were buried in the cemetery there.

Benjamin Kocher, son of Simon, was born in Lowhill township, July 3, 1810. He also secured the homestead and carried on farming until 1856, when he sold the premises which had been held in the family for upwards of one hundred years. He then lived at Allentown four years, but in 1860, not liking town life, he removed to Guth's Station, where he conducted a small farm for thirty years. He then lived in retirement with his son, Dr. John F. Kocher, where he died, Oct. 1, 1891. He was married to Anna, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Kuhns) Weida, and they had eight children: John F.; David J., of Allentown; Mary A., wife of James Schmoyer; and five who died young. They were members of the Jordan Reformed church, which he had served as deacon, elder and trustee.

DR. JOHN F. KOCHER, a practicing physician of Lehigh county for forty years, was born in Lowhill township, June 30, 1842. He received his preliminary education in the Allentown public schools; then he attended the Allentown Seminary, and Ursinus College, and followed teaching five years. During this time he selected the medical profession for his vocation and therefore directed his reading in that line of literature. With this preparation, he first attended a course of lectures at Michigan University Ann Arbor, during the sessions of 1867-68; then he attended a further course at the University of Pennsylvania during 1868-69 and was graduated from the latter institution. After resuming teaching for a year, he located at New Smithville, in Lehigh county, and embarked in the practice of medicine. He continued there five years, and in 1875 he removed to Walbert's, South Whitehall township, where he has carried on a most successful practice until the present time, and has come to be recognized as one of the most skillful physicians in Lehigh county. He was for some years postmaster at this place, formerly called South Whitehall, and later Walbert's post-office. He is a member of Jordan Reformed church, and in politics is a Republican. Dr. Kocher married, Dec. 25, 1870, Ellen M., daughter of Sylvester Guth, of South Whitehall. They had six children: Harvey L., Edgar B., Jennie L., Lulu G., Mamie E., and Annie F.

EDGAR BENJAMIN KOCHER, son of Dr. John F. and Ellen M. (Guth) Kocher was born in Weisenberg township Aug. 15 1872. Having attended the public schools until about sixteen years of age, he became a pupil in the academic department of Muhlenberg College during 1890, but later attended the American Business College, Allentown. He began his musical instruction under the direction of his father; during 1890-91 he was a piano pupil of Prof. C. A. Marks, Mus. D.; then for about three years, he took lessons on the pipe organ and piano, as well as the study of theory and harmony under Prof. C. F. Herman. From 1895, for a period of five years, he studied theory of music under the direction of Dr. Gilchrist, of Philadelphia, and during 1897-99 took piano lessons with Prof. Mauritz Leefson. In 1912, he followed a course of study on piano technique in the Leschetizky Institute, New York, under Mr. Cressman. Prof. Kocher has served as organist of the following churches: Jordan Lutheran, from 1893 to 1894; St. Luke's Lutheran, Allentown, 1895-1898; St. Michael's Lutheran, Allentown, 1898-1906; and since then is the organist of Christ Lutheran church, Allentown. He has also been the accompanist of the Allentown Oratorio Society for 15 years, and after the death of Dr. Marks, in the fall of 1912, became the director of the same organization. He belongs to the Orpheus Glee Club and instructs several choirs in Catasauqua. In politics he is a Republican; fraternally, he is a member of B. P. O. E., and Greenleaf Lodge, F. & A. M. He is also a member of the Lutheran Church.

On Oct. 2, 1901, he married Addie G., daughter of Tilghman H. and Massina (Schuler) Boyer, and has three children: John E., Richard F., and Frances Adelaide. He resides at 1136 Hamilton street, Allentown.

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(I) John Kocher, who lived on a farm in Moore township, near Little Moore Township church, was born in 1791, and died in 1869. He took an active part in the public affairs of his township, and served it as school director and supervisor. He married Catharine ——— and had children: John, of further mention; Samuel, who was a resident of Moore township for a period of thirty-two years, and was a farmer and school teacher there; Henrietta, who married Harrison Billheimer; Maria, who married John Christman.

(II) John, son of John and Catharine Kocher, was born in 1829, and died in 1892. He was engaged in the occupation of a farmer all his life, being the owner of a farm of 120 acres

in Little Moore township, and this remained in the possession of the family until 1911. In political allegiance he was a staunch Democrat, and his religious affiliation was with the Reformed church of Little Moore township, in which he filled the offices of deacon and elder very acceptably.

Mr. Kocher married (first) Polly, a daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Neiler) Schall, of Little Moore township, and (second) Marietta Dieter. Children by the first marriage: Cyrus O., of further mention; Thomas A., a merchant in Moore township; James, justice of the peace at Siegfried, Pennsylvania, and has been principal of the schools of that place for fifteen years; Charles, a farmer in Moore township; Albert, who died at Denver, Col. Libby, who died at the age of eleven years as the result of an attack of diphtheria. Only child by the second marriage: Calvin, lives in Siegfried.

(III) Cyrus O., son of John and Polly (Schall) Kocher, was born in Little Moore township, May 21, 1855. His education was a comprehensive one and was acquired in the public schools of his native township, the Kutztown State Normal School and the Millersville State Normal School. Taking up the profession of teaching he was engaged in this in Little Moore and Little Hanover townships. It consisted of eleven successive terms, seven of these being in the Rudolph schoolhouse near Bethlehem. During the time he was engaged as a teacher, his spare time was devoted to the cultivation of a farm of fifty-two acres in Little Hanover township, an enterprise in which he was very successful. In 1896, Mr. Kocher became identified with the hotel business at Cherryville, Northampton county, Pa., and continued there for three years. He followed the same line of business at Emaus, two years, and on Dec. 1, 1901, purchased the City Hotel, in Allentown, Pa., which he has conducted since that time with a degree of success which has been most satisfactory to himself and his numerous patrons.

Mr. Kocher married, in 1877, Lizzie, a daughter of Jonas and Harrietta (Scip) Dieter; Mrs. Dieter, who was the mother of ten children, all living at the present time, died in 1912 at the age of eighty-seven years. Mr. and Mrs. Kocher had children: 1. Minerva, who married Joseph Bartholomew, resides in Allentown. 2. Abner, who is employed as a clerk for his father, is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Bartenders' Union and the Franklin Fire Company. He resides in Allentown, where he married Mabel A. Trumbauer, and has one child: Muriel W. 3. Victor E., employed as



an electrician in Allentown, married Anna Beyl, of Allentown.

KOSTENBADER FAMILY.

Johann Heinrich Kostenbader, the pioneer of this family came to America on the ship "President" and landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 22, 1752. In the same year he and a company of emigrants journeyed along the Delaware river, northward and settled in what is now Bushkill Centre, in Northampton county, Pa. He purchased a tract of land which remained in the Kostenbader name for more than a century. He died in 1776.

He married Rebecca Barbara Stortze, who was born at Friedenhausen, Herzogthum, Wuerttemberg, Germany. She died March 30, 1792.

The children of this family as far as can be ascertained are:

I. Elizabeth, wife of John Weber, and married a second time to Timothy Rogers.

II. John Henry Kostenbader, born June 22, 1756, died Nov. 15, 1842, aged 86 years, 4 months, 23 days, his remains rest in the Sheneck Moravian Cemetery.

He was married to Maria Christianna Meyer, who died May 26, 1796, and is also buried at Sheneck.

They had ten children: John; Jacob; Daniel; Henry; Susan, was Mrs. Knecht; Elizabeth, who was Mrs. Hammer; Carolina who was Mrs. Hower, this Mr. Hower was a soldier in the War of 1812; Mrs. Hahn; and Mrs. Keller. Three of the above-named sons of John Henry Kostenbader moved to the central part of Pennsylvania; they were Jacob, Henry and Daniel. Jacob settled about three miles south of Mifflinville; Henry settled near White Deer Iron Works, where he died Aug. 27, 1853, aged 68 years and 7 days; Henry, whose descendants are the originators of what they call "The Kostenbader Family Reunion," held annually for the last decade on the 2nd Wednesday in August at Ruperts, Pa., died near Catawissa, in 1838. Daniel moved to Centre county, Pa.

The children of Jacob Kostenbader were: Daniel, Henry, Jacob, Samuel and David.

The children of Henry and Rosanna (Seibert) Kostenbader, of Union, White Deer Iron Works are: Joseph, Henry, Elizabeth, Aaron, Andrew, Lucy, Margaret, Daniel, John, Moses, Jacob, Samuel, Solomon and Elias. Elias resides at Grandon, North Dakota. Of this family there are 33 grand-children living in 9 states and 60 great-grandchildren.

John Kostenbader, son of John Henry, was born in Bushkill township, Oct. 25, 1780. He

died from injuries received in an accident, while on his way from his home to the wool card mill in Plainfield township. The horse he was driving came home and when searchers found him by the roadside he was wounded and in a dying condition. He died June 30, 1851, aged 70 years, 8 months, 5 days. He was a farmer owning over 400 acres in Bushkill township. He also owned a distillery where he made both rye and apple whiskey; he was also a machinist, able to build and repair distilleries, cider presses and the like.

He married Catharine Server, born April 6, 1780, died May 10, 1869, aged 89 years, 1 month 4 days. They had 11 children; John; Jacob; Henry; Joseph; Daniel; Samuel; Catharine, (never married) Hannah, wife of George Bender; Caroline, wife of Elias Hahn; Lydia, wife of Jesse Rodenbach.

Jacob, son of John and Catharine (Server) Kostenbader, married Elizabeth Haak. They had these children: Charles, Norris, James, and Mary Ann married to Samuel Davidson.

Charles, above named, married Mary Frederick. They have these children: Froenica, Henry, Linford P., and Harrison F.

James, son of Jacob, married Sarah Rismiller. Their children are: Chester, Jacob, Mary Ann (Mrs. Mahlon Williams), Sarah (Mrs. Henry Scholl), and Elizabeth.

Jacob Kostenbader, of Fullerton, was born Jan. 22, 1854 in Bushkill township. He is the son of James and Sarah Kostenbader. He worked on the railroad for 15 years; from 1900 to 1909 he was a successful agent for the Prudential Insurance Company at Allentown. In 1909 he became associated with the Dietrich Motor Car Company and has continued with this corporation to the present time at Allentown. He belongs to Mickley's Lutheran church. He married Sarah A. Roth and they have these children: Warren J. (deceased); Eugene, deceased, was married to Lizzie Brong; Aquilla, married to O. H. Dietrich, of Allentown; and Herbert, deceased.

John, son of John and Catharine (Server) Kostenbader, was born Aug. 7, 1804, and died March 27, 1870, aged 65 years, 7 months and 15 days.

He married Sally Ann, a daughter of Jacob and Sally (Ann Keller- Kostenbader, and they had these children: Thomas, married Mary Brown; Reuben, married Maria Knecht; Sally Ann (Mrs. Jeremiah Bower); Katie (Mrs. Israel Mill); and Matilda, married William Knecht, and they had one child.

Joseph Kostenbader, son of John and Catharine, married Henrietta Hahn. They have these

children: John, Anthony, Adam, and a girl who died in infancy.

John married Katie Knecht. They have one child, Miranda.

Anthony married Cath Resmiller. They have two children: Ella and Mary.

Adam Kostenbader was born at Bushkill Centre, July 9, 1842 and died at Allentown, Pa. June 14, 1912, aged 69 years.

He was raised on the farm and followed farming until 1869, when he moved to Allentown, where he engaged in carpentering for many years. He manufactured washing machines.

He married Lovina Johnson. They had one son, also deceased. He was a member of the Reformed church. His widow, who is the only survivor, resides in their beautiful home on the corner of Thirteenth and Hamilton streets, Allentown.

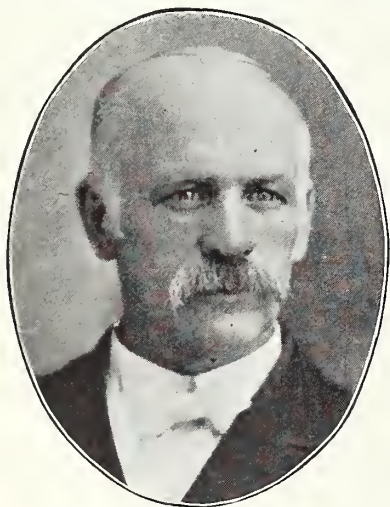
Samuel Kostenbader, son of John and Catharine (Server) Kostenbader, was born at Bushkill Centre, Jan. 10, 1824, died on March 13, 1890, aged 66 years, 3 months and 3 days. He was a miller by trade and followed this business for many years. During the last 15 years of his life he worked in the lime stone quarries at Readington, Pa.

He was married to Sarah Ann, a daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Kratzer. They had these

and later clerked in the general store of George H. Jones and Company. By close application during spare hours and by study at night, he became a school-teacher. He taught the Glendon School in Palmer township, one term; then three successive terms in Williams township. In 1886 he was elected a teacher in the schools of South Easton where he taught for four years; was one of the secretaries of the Northampton county teacher's institute in 1889. While following the profession of teacher he continued his studies under private teachers and later by correspondence and was licensed to preach by the East Pa. Conference of the Evangelical Association, at the annual conference held at Bangor, Pa., in 1887. In 1890 he left the school room and entered the active service of his church as an itinerant preacher. During the church division he sided with the "Minority" and has been connected with the United Evangelical Church since its organization. The appointments which he served were: Wessnersville, Boyertown, Kutztown, Pottstown, Dauphin, Manheim, Emaus, from 1907 to 1911, Weissport and Daniesville, since the annual conference until his sudden death, Sept. 5, 1913, while dressing preparatory to making pastoral visits, accompanied by his wife. Death was due to cerebral apoplexy. He was a widely known and much respected man.

He married Sarah E. Hahn, a daughter of William H., and Maria (Moser) Hahn, of Williams township. They have these children: Clarence E., (deceased) who was married to Annie S. Binder. They have one son, Kenneth.

Florence B., a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, class of 1903, is a public school teacher, having taught at Emaus and is now a teacher in the Walnutport schools. Edith E., residing with her mother.



REV. DAVID F. KOSTENBADER.

children: William H.; David F., of whom below; John L.; Samuel J.; Elizabeth (Mrs. Jonas Trauger) and Ellen (Mrs. David Paules).

REV. DAVID F. KOSTENBADER was born April 26, 1861, at Ackermanville, Northampton county, and spent his boyhood days on the farm in Williams township. He was educated in the common schools, worked in the iron ore mines

The Kostenbader family of Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, trace their family history in the United States to Herman Kostenbader, who was born in Pfullingen, near Stuttgart, Germany, April 9, 1842, son of Frederick and Maria (Keppler) Kostenbader, and grandson of John F. Kostenbader, who was a paper manufacturer. Frederick Kostenbader was at one time the proprietor of a restaurant, but later filled the office of forester, in which capacity he served until shortly before his decease, at the age of seventy-five years. He and his wife were the parents of three children: Herman, of whom further; Dorothea, who resided in New York; Charlotte, who resided with her brother in Catasauqua.

Herman Kostenbader was reared and educated in his native land. At the age of fourteen years he emigrated to the United States, taking passage



at Havre on the ship, "Bavaria," and after a voyage of thirty-seven days landed in New York City, Aug. 7, 1856. He went to Philadelphia, and secured employment with the firm of Schnitzel & Smith, who were engaged in the brewing business, and subsequently was employed by Bergner & Engel, and by John Klumpp. In 1860 he removed to Toledo, Ohio, where he was employed for about two years in the same line of business, then removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, from whence he returned to Philadelphia. In 1864, he went to Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, entering the employ of John Schilling in his extensive brewery, and continuing with him for three years. In 1867, in company with Conrad Schaeffer, he removed to Catasauqua, and they established the first brewery in that borough, formerly located where the Eagle brewery now stands, and the old plant bore the same name. In 1872, Mr. Schaeffer's interests were purchased by John Kreutzer, of Philadelphia, who continued as the partner of Mr. Kostenbader until the death of the death of the former named, in 1876, when Mr. Kostenbader became the sole owner, and he continued the proprietor and owner of the same until his death, Dec. 15, 1909, since which time it has been conducted by his sons, August F., and Herman A., of whom further. The Eagle brewery is located on Railroad street, between Mulberry and Willow streets; it is a fine brick structure, perfect in its details; the beer is made from the best barley and hops, and consequently is strictly pure. The straightforward methods of conducting business of the founder of the enterprise is responsible for the success achieved, and the same policy is being carried out by the sons. Mr. Kostenbader was one of the organizers of the Lehigh National Bank, of which he became a director, and he had previously served as one of the directors of the Catasauqua National Bank. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church, served as a trustee for thirteen years, and was a member of the building committee. He was a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Kostenbader married (first) in 1868, Maria Wagner, daughter of Peter Wagner, of Catasauqua, a baker. She was born in Catasauqua, and died there in 1872. Mr. Kostenbader married (second) in 1874, Matilda Strickler, a native of Canton Zurich, Switzerland. Children: Dorothea M., became the wife of Rev. C. J. Gabel, of Melrose Park, Pennsylvania, children: Carson, Helene, Charles; August F., of whom further; Herman A., of whom further; Charlotte O.; Cecelia M.; Marie T.; Helen M. S. The three first named daughters graduated from Catasauqua high school, respectively, in 1890, 1897, 1901, and from Maryland College for Women,

at Lutherville, Maryland, in 1892, 1899 and 1903; the two last named daughters graduated from Catasauqua high school in 1912, then attended the Ogontz School for Girls at Ogontz, Pennsylvania, and at the present time (1914) are studying music in Philadelphia in the studio of Miss Faas. Mr. Kostenbader died on Dec. 15, 1909, aged 67 years; and Mrs. Kostenbader died on June 11, 1914, aged 60 years.

August F. Kostenbader was born in Catasauqua, Aug. 13, 1877. He graduated from the Catasauqua high school in 1893, the American Commercial School, 1895, and the United States Brewers' Academy in New York, in 1899. Since the death of his father he is the business head and one of the firm of H. Kostenbader & Sons, conducting the Eagle Brewery, one of the extensive industries of Catasauqua. He is a director of the Lehigh National Bank, and holds membership in the following organizations: Fraternal Order of Eagles; Order of Owls; Clover Club; Catasauqua Club; and the Saengerbund; Porter Lodge, No. 284, F. & A. M.; and Catasauqua Chapter, No. 130; Allen Commandery, No. 20, K. T.; also the B. P. O. E., of Allentown.

Herman A. Kostenbader was born in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, Aug. 12, 1879. He graduated from the Catasauqua high school and Wood's Business College, of Allentown. He is a member of and one of the managers of H. Kostenbader & Sons, Eagle Brewery. He succeeded his father as trustee in St. Paul's Lutheran church, of which he is an active member. He married, in 1900, Helen M. Roth, daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Siegfried) Roth, of Allentown. Three children: Dorothea Marie, Herman Carl, August Frederick.

Early in the nineteenth century, William Krick son of John Peter and Catharine (Roeder) Krick, moved to the upper part of Berks county. Here he followed furnace work all his life. He was born near Sinking Spring, Jan. 22, 1796, and died Aug. 10, 1859. He was married to Elizabeth Siegetaler, who was born Oct. 23, 1798, and died April 13, 1856. They were the parents of the following children: Reuben; Charles; Benneville; Isaac; Alexander; William; Caroline, married to Jacob Schmoyer; Aaron Lewis; John; Frank; and Nathan. The latter two never returned home from the Civil War.

John, son of William and Elizabeth Krick, was born Aug. 17, 1833, and died Nov. 20, 1867. He was married to Susan Rothermel, born June 23, 1834, died Nov. 20, 1867. They were the parents of the following children: Walter E., Elemanda, Adorah, James, Alvin, John, and Annie.

Walter, son of John and Susan Krick, was

born Nov. 12, 1854. He was a blacksmith by trade and followed farming. He conducted a blacksmith shop near Kempton and the Kistler Valley. He died June 27, 1909. He was married to Eliza Greenawald, who was born March 14, 1857. They were the parents of the following children: Alvin G.; Charles, merchant, of Lynnport; Harvey G., farmer, living in the Kistler Valley; Annie G., at home.

ALVIN G. KRICK, son of Walter E. and Eliza (Greenawald) Krick, was born in Lynn township, Oct. 8, 1879. He received his education in the public schools of his native place. He followed farming until he was of age, since which time he has been employed in various capacities in Allentown. He was employed in the Bear furniture factory for a year and a half, and as motorman by the L. V. Traction Company for three and a half years. Since 1910 he is employed as engineer in the Philip Schneider shoe factory. He is a member of the Reformed congregation of the New Jerusalem church. He is a member of the Red Men. He is married to Winnie Hartzell, daughter of Percival and Amanda (Knappenberger) Hartzell. Two children have been born to them: John L., and Alga I., both died in infancy.

#### KINGSBURY FAMILY.

Stephen and John Kingsbury, brothers, emigrated from England to America before the Revolutionary War. John Kingsbury was a captain of artillery in the war for freedom and on Feb. 21, 1782, M. Clarkson, the secretary of war, certified to his record. [*Vol. III, Penna. Archives, p. 1010.*] Stephen Kingsbury settled in the vicinity of Luzerne and Columbia counties, Pennsylvania, where in 1790 he is recorded the head of a family consisting of five persons. He was a pioneer farmer and had settled on unclaimed land. He had two sons: Stephen, Jr., and Daniel, the latter the grandfather of Eben P. Kingsbury, of Allentown. Daniel Kingsbury remained upon his father's homestead and died there in 1912, aged 88 years. He is buried in Columbia county in the locality where he had lived so many years. He was married and had the following children: 1. Dr. Dana W., of Nanticoke, Pa. 2. Mary, deceased. 3. Gilbert, who now occupies the original Stephen Kingsbury homestead. 4. Nettie, married to Ernest Koons, of Huntington Mills, Pa. 5. Ad. E., of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 6. Jennie, married to H. E. Walter, of Berwick. 7. Dora, married to A. C. Hoag, of Nescopeck, Pa. 8. Boyd, of Vicksburg, Michigan. 9. Clara, married to John Ridell, of Shickshinny, Pa. 10. Adelbert, of Berwick, Pa.

Dr. Dana W. Kingsbury, prominent physician of Nanticoke, Pa., was born in 1858, son of Daniel Kingsbury. He obtained a liberal education and was graduated from the Baltimore College of Medicine in 1880, then locating at Nanticoke, where he had been a general practitioner ever since. He had served a number of public offices, had been a member of the school board for many years, and has for a number of years served as a member of the Board of Health, and as a director of the Nanticoke National Bank.

He married Emma, a daughter of Samuel Sharpless, of Orangeville, Pa. They had seven children, namely: Dr. Oscar J., a successful practitioner of Nesquehoning, Pa.; Eben P., history follows; Erma, married to Thomas Muir, of Detroit, Mich.; Russell S.; Arthur S.; Marjorie; and Marion, all at home.

Eben P. Kingsbury, a resident of Allentown, was born at Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, in 1886, son of Dr. Dana W. and Emma (Sharpless) Kingsbury.

After his education, in 1905, Mr. Kingsbury engaged in the hardware business in Nanticoke, which he carried on in a very successful manner until in 1910, when he connected himself in extensive real estate operations in different cities, having conducted successful sales in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Easton, Allentown, Harrisburg, Lebanon, and Lancaster.

He was married in 1907 to Miss Edna Giles, daughter of E. J. and Emma (Williams) Giles, of Wilkes-Barre. They have two sons: Dana William and Giles Eben.

#### KRAMLICH FAMILY.

The ship *Patience* which arrived at Philadelphia, Sept. 19, 1749, had among its 270 passengers, the following:

Valentine Gramly.

Hans Adam Gramlich.

Hans Adam Gramlich, Jr.

The relationship between the first one and the two last named is not of record but tradition states that the first two were brothers. The name is one which is easily misspelled and on the old documents are found the following spellings: Kramlich, Kramley, Kramly, Cromley, Cromly and Crumley.

Valentine Kramlich came from the Duchy of Wurtemberg, Germany, and soon after his arrival at Philadelphia, he proceeded via the Schuylkill river to Oley township, Berks county, thence across the hills into Macungie, then settled in Weisenberg township, Northampton (now Lehigh) county. There he became a large property owner, and one of the organizers of a church for the community. He was a man of great prom-



inence and influence and was a leader in his district. But in an historical record of Ziegel church written by the Rev. W. H. Helffrich, a minister of the Reformed faith, possessed of great learning and foresight, who dwelt in that section, credit for meritorious work was largely given to members of his own faith; while the work of the Lutherans of which Valentine Kramlich was a leader were barely mentioned. Kramlich was possessed of more than ordinary intelligence; was a Lutheran of strong convictions and his numerous posterity among whom are a number of ministers of the Gospel have continued to hold to that faith with remarkable zeal. The ancestor had the following children: 1. George, who moved from the district after 1790, died near Danville, Pa. 2. Paul, who died upon the homestead. 3. Daniel. 4. Anna Maria. 5. Christian, who moved to Ohio, in 1808, and soon afterward he began to spell his name Crumley and Cromley; but on his marriage certificate and official documents it was spelt K-r-a-m-l-i-c-h.

Paul Kramlich, who continued upon the homestead in Weisenberg township, in 1790, had three sons and four daughters. The sons were: Paul, Jr., Jacob, and Jonathan.

The tax-lists of Weisenberg township contain these names:

1762—Valentine Kramlich.

1781—Valentine Gramlich, Paul Gramlich

1812—Paul Kramlich, Paul Kramlich, Jr., Jacob Kramlich.

The *Penna. Arch.* record the names of Paul, Jacob, Christian, George, and Frank (Francis) Kramlich as having served in the Revolutionary War from Northampton county. The four first named were descendants and doubtless sons of Valentine of Weisenberg township, except Jacob who was a son of Paul Kramlich. Frank or Francis was a son of Adam Kramley, whose record follows:

In *Will Book 1, Page 105*, in the court house, at Easton, Pa., is the will of one Adam Kramley who died in April, 1773, in Moore township, Northampton county. He was twice married and by his first wife had five children. An item of the will says: "My son, Francis Kramley, by my present wife shall have the homestead farm upon which I now live." The will was made March 8, 1773, and was probated on May 1, of the same year. The executors of it were: M., F., L., and E. Kramley, doubtless sons of the testator. The above Adam Kramley doubtless was the same Hans Adam Gramlich, who with his son, Hans Adam, Jr., emigrated to America in 1749.

The Federal Census of 1790, records one Adam Gramlich living in the eastern district

of Cumberland county, Pa., and he had three sons and four daughters. Christopher and Frederick Cromlich lived also in the same district in that year. The former had four and the latter had six children.

Three of the five children of Valentine Kramlich moved to Ohio in 1808, and settled in Fairfield county. Christian, his youngest son, was the father of the late Daniel Crumley, of Lithopolis, O., and of Conrad Crumley, of Hocking township, to whom the Crumlings of Fairfield county owe their genealogy.

Three sons of Paul Kramlich moved from Pennsylvania to Pickaway county, O., in 1815. Their names were Paul, Jacob, and Jonathan. Paul died in March, 1826, leaving four sons, viz.: Jonas, Stephen, Thomas, and William. The latter was born in Lehigh county, Pa., March 19, 1813, and died in Ohio, in May, 1888. He was the father of the Hon. T. E. Cromley, of Ashville, O. He served as a trustee of the boys' industrial school at Lancaster, and was state senator from Pickaway county.

Conrad Crumley, the immediate ancestor of the Hocking township clan, reared a large family, two of whom, (Daniel and George), served in the Union army. Conrad Crumlie was one of the grand old men of the past, one whose influence and example for good was felt in a large circle of acquaintances. He served as a trustee of the St. Peter's Lutheran church, Lancaster, O. He died in 1879, aged seventy-seven years, having enjoyed a happy married life for fifty-five years. Of his eleven children, six were still living in 1912. They were David, Mrs. Elizabeth Graham, Peter G., Joshua, Daniel, and George W.

George Kramlich was a laborer and an old line veterinary doctor. He and family for many years lived in Longswamp township, Berks county; but died while living with his son, John, at Topton, Pa., about the year 1877, aged seventy-nine or eighty years. He is buried at the Longswamp church. His wife was a Walbert and their children were: Charles; James; Sarah, who was very tall and heavy, was the wife of Levi Leibensperger; John; and Mary married to John Batdorf.

Charles Kramlich, son of George, was born in 1837. He was a butcher, and carried on the business at Monterey and later at Topton, where he died in 1874. He is buried at the Maxatawny Zions church. He was married to Sallie Ann Kuhns, born June 19, 1838, and died at Allentown in 1913. They had the following children: Frank O., who died Jan. 22, 1913, aged fifty-three years, two months, and three days; Charles F.; Alice, married to Edward Kramer; Ida, married to Dr. C. J. Otto; Hie-

ster G.; Lizzie, deceased, was the wife of W. B. Fogelman; and Annie, who became the second wife of Edward Kramer. They reside at Reading, Pa.

HIESTER G. KRAMLICH, merchant of Allentown, was born at Topton, Pa., Aug. 26, 1866. He obtained a common school education; and at the age of fourteen years began clerking in stores, and continued until 1895, then engaged in business himself at the corner of Seventh and Chew streets, Allentown, Pa., where he has continued uninterruptedly until the present time. He sells groceries, dry goods, and notions; and employs four clerks. Mr. Kramlich was employed as clerk, by A. R. Groner for a period of fifteen years before engaging in business.

He and wife are members of the Reformed church. He is a Democrat; and socially has membership in these lodges: Allentown Castle No. 55, K. G. E.; Franklin Chamber No. 9, O. K. of F., and the F. O. E.

He was married Oct. 15, 1887, to Ella Koons, daughter of Benjamin and Lovina (Brader) Koons, of Allentown.

Levi Kramlich, son of Christian and Catharine (Kocher) Kramlich, was born in Weisenberg township, and died at Fogelsville on his fifty-six-acre farm, which was a part of his father's homestead. Rev. Benjamin Elias Kramlich born in 1831, died at Kutztown, Jan. 1, 1900, was a brother of Levi. He built the house and barn, still standing, on this property, which remained in the family until in January, 1914. He died on June 1, 1901, aged eighty-two years. He was married to Anna Miller, of Macungie. She died on May 5, 1899, past eighty years of age. They were Lutheran members of the Fogelsville church and there they are buried. Their children were: 1. Hon. Milton J. 2. Edwin C. 3. Ellen, married to W. J. Felthof. 4. Ida, married to Dr. Calvin Helfrich, of Fogelsville. 5. Albert, who died Sept. 13, 1897. 6. Frank, of Milford, Del. 7. Lillie, married to J. O. Madtes, of Allentown. 8. Morris, of Shamokin. 9. Richard, of Fogelsville. 10. Mrs. Anna French, of Andova, Mass.

Milton J. Kramlich, Lehigh county, was born in Weisenburg township, Nov. 15, 1845; educated in the public schools, Kutztown Normal School, Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg; was graduated from Muhlenberg College, Allentown, in 1869, and from the Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, in 1873; pastor of the Plainfield charge from 1873 to 1877; Lowhill from 1878 to 1884; St. Peter's, Upper Milford, from 1886 to 1892, and St. Joseph's, East Allentown, from 1892 to 1893, taught the grammar school of Macungie borough in 1869-1870, and since

1878 had been engaged in teaching public and private schools at Fogelsville and East Allentown, Pa.; was elected to the House of Representatives in 1896; re-elected in November, 1898.

Edwin C. Kramlich was born in Weisenberg township, Dec. 31, 1847. He began farming at Fogelsville and continued there for four years, then moved to Howertown, Northampton county, and for twenty-four years was a farmer and drovier. From the latter place he moved to Siegfried, Pa., and three years later, in 1906, he moved to Allentown, where he died on Oct. 4, 1912, aged sixty-four years. He was a Democrat and for twelve years served as a school director of Allen township, Northampton county; and was a deacon of the Lutheran congregation of the Howertown church.

On Sept. 2, 1875, he was married to Savannah Butz, a daughter of Frank and Anna (Heinley) Butz, of Whitehall township. They have the following children: 1. Jennie, married to J. C. Jones, of Wilkes-Barre. 2. Frank, of New York City. 3. John B. 4. Howard C., a drovier at Siegfried. 5. Harry T. 6. Helen M., is a stenographer in the employ of the Lehigh Portland Cement Company, Allentown, since 1912. She was educated in the public schools at Howertown, also attended the graded schools of Siegfried for three years, after which she took up a business course at the American Commercial School, graduating in 1911.

John B. Kramlich, of Allentown, was born at Fogelsville, Jan. 31, 1880. He attended the public schools at Howertown, and worked upon the farm until in 1900. He then engaged in the contracting and general hauling business at Siegfried and continued that pursuit there until in April, 1908, then moved to Allentown and there continued the same business about one year longer. Afterward he accepted a position as superintendent in the stone-quarry in the Twelfth Ward for George H. Hardner, and this position he has served up to the present time. He is a member of the Lutheran church and in politics he is a Democrat.

On Oct. 7, 1900, he married Lillie M. Peters, a daughter of the late Richard and Rosa (Diehl) Peters, of Seemsville, Northampton county. Unto these are born three children, namely: Richard F.; Emma R.; and Edward C.

Harry T. Kramlich, of Reading, was born at Howertown, Northampton county, Pa., June 5, 1889. He was educated in the public schools at Howertown, and Siegfried high school, after which he became an employee of the Atlas Cement Co., then only fourteen years old, being the youngest foreman of plant No. 4; was pro-



moted to the Atlas supply room, and served the company all told about two years. He was also the youngest depositor of the Cement National Bank, at Siegfried, Pa.

He came to Allentown in 1906 to accept a clerkship with the United Grocery Stores, which he served about one year, when he resigned to accept the head clerkship with the Childs Grocery Company. After working as head clerk for one year, he was promoted as manager of one of their stores and was the youngest manager of 146 stores, conducted by the Childs Grocery Company, being only nineteen years old at the time. On Nov. 1, 1910, he engaged in the grocery business for himself in Allentown and continued until the fall of 1911.

He is a member of the following lodges. The Odd Fellows; the Order of Moose; the Order of Owls; Lecha Tribe, Order of Red Men.

He and family are members of the Lutheran church.

He was married June 21, 1911, to Miss Bessie McNeilly Jenkins, daughter of Andrew and Mary Jenkins, of Allentown. They have a daughter—Miriam M.

Henry Kramlich, was also a farmer and veterinarian in Weisenberg, and died in 1878, aged seventy-nine years. He was married to Elizabeth Gehringer, daughter of John, a farmer of Weisenberg, and they had two children: Mary (m. John Bleiler), and Lenneus.

Lenneus Kramlich, son of Henry, was a farmer and veterinarian of Weisenberg. He was born in 1826, and his parents moved to the farm when he was one week old. He was brought up on the farm and attended the select school of Rev. John Helffrich, distant half a mile, and he followed teaching for several terms. He also acted as an auctioneer for many years; and he served as a school director and assessor. He died in 1826, aged seventy-seven years. He was married to Sarah Fogel, daughter of Solomon, farmer of Upper Macungie, and they had six children: Caroline (m. Thomas Mohr), Agnes (m. Benjamin Frey), Emma, (m. 1st, Joseph Peter, and 2d, William Bear), Maria, (died young), Charles H., and John F. (who went to Missouri, and practiced medicine at Lamar.)

CHARLES H. KRAMLICH, son of Lenneus, is a farmer near Hynemansville, was born Jan. 19, 1848, on his fine plantation of 105 acres, where he has lived since his birth. He was educated in the township school and brought up on the farm, and he assisted his father until he became twenty-one years old. In 1869 he began farming for himself and he has continued to do so until the present time; and upon the death of his father in 1903, he became the owner by inheritance. He

served as school director three terms, as county auditor one term, and election officer several terms; and he is a member of the Independent Order of Americans, Pioneer council, at New Smithville. Mr. Kramlich manifested great interest in music when he was a boy, particularly as an amateur player on the violin, and became recognized as an expert performer. For many years he supplied the music at dancing parties and "frolics" in the vicinity and his spirited rendition of waltzes, cotillions, and schottisches is remembered with much pleasure by the older generation of people of Weisenberg and adjoining townships. Fifty years ago a very rare violin, "*Carlo Bergouzi*," was presented to him by Joseph Weiss, a dealer in musical instruments at Allentown, and it is highly appreciated by him as a very rare possession, being one of the only three of this kind in the United States.

Mr. Kramlich was married in 1870 to Lydia Smith, daughter of Daniel, farmer of Weisenberg, and they had three children: Howard F. (still at home, assisting his father on the farm); Edward C. (who married Montana Freyman and died in 1909, at the age of 37 years); and Theodore J. (who died in 1903 at the age of 27 years). He and the family have been members of Ziegel church.

#### KRAMER FAMILY.

Bernhard Kramer, the immigrant ancestor of many persons of this name in the counties of Berks and Lehigh, settled in the Allemangel district, the name of an early locality which signified "all wants" and embraced what is now Albany township in Berks county and Lynn township in Lehigh county, south of the Blue Mountains.

His wife was Susanna Catharine Lautz, or Lutz. An old baptismal certificate, which records the birth and baptism of a son, Johannes, is in the possession of Daniel F. Kramer, in Bern township, Berks county, and this states that Johannes Kramer, son of Bernhard, was born September 11, 1777, and baptized October 19th following, in the Weissenberg church, and that the sponsors were Johannes Turg Hand and his wife, Anna Margaretha.

Johannes Kramer, son of Bernhard, was born September 11, 1777, and died at the age of 89 years. His wife was Catharine Ruhl, born in 1780 and died at the age of 68 years. Both were buried in the cemetery at Epler's church in Berks county. He was a stone mason and owned a small tract of land. They had nine children: Elizabeth, born 1803 and died 88 years old; Anna Maria, b. 1804 and died 75

years old; Catharine, b. 1806 and died 82 years old; John, b. 1807 and died 93 years old; Margaret, b. 1809 and died 82 years old; Sallie, b. 1811 and died 93 years old; Daniel R., b. 1813 and died 72 years old; Susanna, b. 1816 and died 41 years old; and Jacob, b. 1819 and died 76 years old. Their children were all married. The average length of life of eight of them (excepting Susanna) was a most remarkable age of 85 years.

George Kramer, of Greenwich township, in Berks county, made his last will in July, 1778, and it was probated by the Register of Wills on October 22, 1787. It mentions George Adam and Christopher (Stoffel) as sons, and Anna Maria as the youngest daughter; but from its language it would appear that there were other children. The Federal census of 1790 would seem to confirm it, for there were ten heads of families recorded then whose name were Chris't, George (sr.) George (jr.), Geo. Adam, Fred'k, Daniel, John, Philip, William, and the widow Kremer.

John Kramer was a resident of Greenwich township, in Berks county, and there he owned a very large tract of land in the vicinity of the Schofer schoolhouse. He operated a distillery, disposing of his product (apple-jack) at Philadelphia, for it is known that he made occasional trips to that place and doubtless for that purpose. He was a man of more than ordinary popularity, prominently identified with the State Militia, in which he held a commission as captain. He was tall, with a fine physique; and he was a severe disciplinarian. On battalion days he appeared in his uniform and uttered his commands in a loud voice; and he moved about in a most dignified manner.

His wife was Sarah Shadel, and they had five children: John, Jacob, George, Mary (married William Adam), and Sarah (married William Gehret). Both of the sons-in-law were carpenters by occupation.

George Kramer, son of John, was a farmer and carpenter in Greenwich township, Berks county. His wife was Catharine Dietrich, a daughter of George Dietrich who was a prosperous miller and farmer of the same township; and they had nine children: Mary, Sarah, Hettie, Catharine, Franklin D., Carrie, Amanda, Chester U. and Rosa.

Jacob Kramer son of John, was born in Windsor township and died in Greenwich township, Berks county. He was buried at the Zion church in Perry township, where he had been a member of the Lutheran congregation. He was a farmer by occupation and owned different

farms. In 1899 he purchased the William J. Dietrich homestead at West Hamburg, at a public sale and shortly afterward sold it at a profit to John S. Kline. He also had the farm now owned by his son Thomas. He was a Democrat and for a number of years served as a school director of Greenwich township, holding the office at the time of his death.

His wife was Elizabeth Mengel, a daughter of Joseph Mengel of Windsor township, who was born October 3, 1834, and now has her home with her daughter Mary. They had fourteen children: Frank, Mary Anna and Louisa, who died small; Jacob M., Thomas, Senora (married Daniel Jacoby), Salena (m. W. F. Miller), Mary (m. George Adam), Malinda (m. Morgan Sausely) Samuel, Frederick, Agnes (m. William Warmkessel), and John.

JACOB M. KRAMER, prosperous farmer in the Kistler valley, was born in Windsor township, Berks county, December 11, 1860. In 1884 he began farming as a tenant on the place where he now resides in Lynn township, and he continued there three years. Afterward he farmed in Upper Macungie, Washington, and Heidelberg townships for eleven years; and in 1897 he returned to the farm in the Kistler valley, which he operated for ten years; and in 1907 he purchased the place. Samuel Kistler had built a large stone dwelling-house there in 1803, and Daniel Kistler a Swiss born, 45 x 100 feet, in 1868. The farm contains 207 acres.

Mr. Kramer was married May 24, 1886, to Mary A. Heil, daughter of Benjamin and Catharine (Frey) Heil, of Heidelberg township, and they have seven children: Thomas A., Milton J., Maud M. H., Katie E., Robert E., John B. and Annie S. They are members of the Lutheran congregation of the St. Peter's church at Lynnvile, which he has served as elder since 1907. In politics he is a Democrat.

Henry Kramer, the ancestor of this family, was a farmer in what is now Upper Nazareth township, Northampton county, prior to 1807 a part of Nazareth township and prior to 1788 a part of Bethlehem township, where he owned 150 acres of land. He was born in February, 1724, and died Feb. 2, 1795, aged 71 years, and was buried at Hecktown church. He had three sons and six daughters.

Nicholas Kramer, son of Henry, was born Nov. 13, 1767, and died Dec. 16, 1836, aged 69 years. He was a surveyor and dealer in real estate and bought and sold many farms in this section. He had his headquarters at the Sun Inn, Bethlehem, where he entertained lavishly.



He at one time owned the land on which Muhlenberg College is now located, as well as other farms in Whitehall, near Allentown. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and married Maria Catharine Vogel, who was born Nov. 14, 1771, and died Aug. 17, 1833. They had seven children: Eliza, born Nov. 20, 1791; Daniel, born June 19, 1794, who had children: Walter, Robert, and Mary, married Dr. Tilghman H. Martin; Thomas J., born Oct. 19, 1799; Charles, born Aug. 31, 1801; Susan, born Aug. 27, 1803; Hannah, born June 9, 1805; and Joseph, born May 17, 1807, whose son, Edward D., was the father of Thomas J. Kramer.

Charles Kramer was born Aug. 31, 1801, and was educated in Allentown, where, as a young man he learned tobacco spinning with John Eckert. In 1822, he became a butcher and continued in that business until his death, on April 16, 1865. His place of business was on the east side of Sixth street, between Linden and Turner streets. He was one of the committee of investigation after the failure of the old Northampton Bank, and one of the incorporators of the Agricultural Society. He married Juliana, daughter of William Miller, born Nov. 7, 1803, died Dec. 18, 1879. They had ten children: Franklin M., Maria, J. Allen, Tilghman W., Milton J., Eliza, Kate, Elemanda, George W., and John C.

1. Franklin M. Kramer, the eldest son, was born in Allentown, Jan. 23, 1822. He was educated in the public schools and the Allentown Academy, and assisted his father in his business, succeeding him at his death and conducted it until he died, Jan. 30, 1894. He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church and a director of the Allentown National Bank. He married Mary A., daughter of Major William and Elizabeth (Worman) Fry. She was born May 13, 1827, and died March 2, 1904.

Major Fry was born in Bladensburg, Md., in May, 1800, and became a carriage maker in Allentown in 1822. He became active in militia circles, was burgess of the borough and state senator from 1852 to 1855. He had three children: Mrs. Mary A. Kramer, Alderman George Fry, and Ellen E., wife of Jacob J. Stein. Mr. and Mrs. Kramer had two children: John T. and Fred F. Kramer.

JOHN T. KRAMER was born in Allentown, Oct. 19, 1860. He was educated in the city schools, and entered his father's place of business, which he conducted after his death, from 1894 to 1900, when he sold out and entered into partnership with his brother in the music store, known as Kramer's Music House. He was elected a

member of select council in 1898, in which he served five terms and was chairman from 1907 to 1912. He was a member of the finance committee for eleven years and its chairman for five years, and in 1911 was a candidate for mayor of the city on the Democratic ticket. He is president of the Fairview Cemetery Association, and is a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 673, F. & A. M., Allentown Lodge of Elks, No. 130, Lehigh Democratic Club, and Lehigh County Agricultural Society.

Fred F. Kramer was born in Allentown, April 17, 1863. He attended the public schools of the city and graduated from the high school in 1879. He became a clerk in a music store and on Oct. 17, 1887, engaged in the music business on Center Square. After having been located at several other sites, the business was permanently established in the Weightman building, at 544 Hamilton street, where the great fire of Oct. 13, 1893, completely destroyed the building. It was then rebuilt, and the business continued there. In 1904, Mr. Kramer, with his brother, John T., purchased the building, and the business has so increased that the entire four floors are now occupied in the handling of the firm's large trade in the sale of high grade pianos, player pianos, victrolas, and everything in the music line. Mr. Kramer is a member of St. John's Reformed church, Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., Allentown Lodge of Elks, No. 130, Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F., and Lehigh County Agricultural Society, and is secretary of the Fairview Cemetery Association. He married, Nov. 12, 1891, Sallie A., daughter of C. Frank and Emma C. (Ruhe) Haines, and has two children: Dorothy H., and Frederick F.

2. Maria, married Peter S. Wenner, and had seven children: Mrs. Frank W. Weil, Chas. K., Robert W., Park B., Edw. F., Thomas P., and Harry C.

3. James Allen Kramer, who married Elemanda Horn, and had six children: Harry F., married Emma Bowlby, and had six children; Chas. N.; Howard S.; Jennie, married George D. Krause, and had three children; Laura J.; and Sallie, married Harry A. Blank.

HOWARD S. KRAMER, son of James A., was born in Allentown, May 16, 1856. He was educated in the city schools and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, where he graduated in 1877, after which he was for thirteen years engaged in the drug business at Allentown. In 1890, he became a member of the firm of Wenner, Kramer & Company, dealers in china and queensware, at 527 Hamilton street, in which he remained until 1895, after which he was engaged

in special work for five years, and secretary and manager of the Grape Capsule Company for five years. He then became a member of the firm of Peters, Jacoby & Company, in which business he is still engaged. He served as temporary secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for six months, and has been interested in and a director of the institution since 1895. Mr. Kramer was elected coroner of the county, as a Democrat, and served from 1891 to 1894, during which time William Keck, the first convicted murderer in the county, and Harry Johnson, were sentenced to be hanged. In the trial of the Keck case, Mr. Kramer won high honors. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran church and served in its vestry from 1895 to 1899. He is also a member of Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, I. O. O. F., and has been treasurer of Hancock Conclave, Order of Heptasophs since 1895. He married, March 3, 1881, Jennie, daughter of Lewis and Rosetta (Follweiler) Miller, and granddaughter of David Follweiler, many years a justice of Lynn township. They have one son, H. Stanley Kramer, a graduate of the Allentown high school, who married Bertha Bowman, and has a daughter, Ruth.

4. Tilghman W. Kramer, born Dec. 31, 1829, died Dec. 12, 1898, many years internal revenue collector, married Mary A. C., daughter of Reuben Guth. They had two sons, both deceased.

5. Milton J. Kramer married Louisa Stettler. Their daughter, Mary J., married Charles E. Berger, and had one daughter, Louise.

6. Eliza, married Edw. Lawall and had children: Lizzie and Julia.

7. Kate, married Edw. S. Shimer, and had children: Edward S., and Alice.

8. Elemanda, married (first) Henry Smith, and had six children: Charles, for 30 years in the marine service; Harry; Julia, married Chas. H. Kleckner; Elizabeth, married (first) Henry Krause, and (second) Al. H. Raber; Mary, married Solomon Reinsmith; and Lillian, married Samuel Koch. Elemanda married (second) Hugh Eschbach and had two children: Dr. W. W., and Robert.

9. George W., married Amanda Schwartz and had one child, Julia A.

10. John C., married Kate Leh, and had one son, George.

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Edward Kramer resided in Allentown where he conducted a hotel for many years. He died in 1912. Alexander Kramer, a son of Edward Kramer, learned the moulding trade in early life which he followed for a number of years. Later he was in the restaurant business in Allentown, where he died, aged fifty-six years. In politics

he adhered to the principles of the Democratic party. He was a member of the Lutheran Church and belonged to the Fraternal Order of Red Men. He was married to Hannah, daughter of Henry and Maria (Hedamen) Ziegenfuss, who now makes her home with her son, Alfred H. To Mr. and Mrs. Kramer four children were born: Alfred H.; Annie, wife of Joseph Addis, of Allentown, a plumber by trade; Katie, wife of Fred Ruth, a bricklayer, of Newark, N. J. Issue: Earl, Paul and Grace; Lillian, wife of John Hogan, an employee of the L. V. Traction Company.

ALBERT H. KRAMER, son of Alexander and Hanah Kramer, was born Dec. 22, 1876. He received his education in the public schools of his native place and at the age of ten years he started to work in the pottery works of Allentown. Later he was employed as bobbin boy in the silk mills, and for three years in a restaurant. On May 10, 1898, he enlisted in Company B, 4th Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served during the Spanish-American War as a private, under Captain Frank Medler and Colonel Case. After his return from Porto Rico, where he did guard duty, he went into the restaurant business. For three years he was assistant steward at the Livingston Club, Allentown, during the winter, and during the summer months he conducted the restaurant at Dorney's Park. Later he was steward of the Elks Club for three years.

In the spring of 1910 he opened the restaurant in Central Park, Rittersville, which he has since conducted. His partners in the restaurant business are C. A. Schumm and E. O. Smith. He is also the proprietor of a penny arcade at the same park. He has a half interest in the Osenbach & Kramer Hosiery Mill, of Rittersville. Their factory consists of a two-story frame building 40x40 feet, and employ fifteen hands.

Mr. Kramer is a member of the Rittersville Lutheran church. He is affiliated with the following fraternal organizations: Spanish-American War Veterans; F. O. E.; and the Moose. Mr. Kramer is married to Mamie Reedy. They are the parents of three children: Albert A., Edward W., and Charles H.

L. T. J. KRAMER.

Israel Kramer lived at East Allentown, and died there in 1876, at the age of sixty-seven years. His wife was Lydia Dilgard and they had these children: Isabella, Mary, Henry, William and Tilghman. All of them have died.

Tilghman Kramer, son of Israel, was born in 1836. He followed boating for 35 years, and owned his own boat. He died at East Al-



lontown, Dec. 10, 1895, where he had lived for many years. He was married to Catharine Young, a daughter of Jacob and Susanna (Freed) Young. Their two children were: Lovine T. J. and Alfred T., of Allentown.

Lovine T. J. Kramer, common councilman of the Fourteenth Ward of Allentown, was born there November 7, 1858. He was employed as foreman at Noxon, Luzerne county, Pa., in the large Mosser tannery for a period of seventeen years. In 1905 he returned to East Allentown and is now employed as foreman in the stone quarry of C. H. Ziegenfuss & Co., at Greisemerville. He resides at No. 273 Walnut street.

He is a member of Camp 115, P. O. S. of A., since 1881; also of the East Allentown Fire Company. He served as a school director of Hanover township for ten years and in 1911 when East Allentown was admitted into the city as the Fourteenth Ward, he was elected on the Democratic ticket as one of the Common Councilmen.

Lovine and Emma Kramer have these children: Florence M., and George T. (married to Gertrude Freshner, who live in the Fourteenth Ward in which he is serving as a policeman).

#### KRATZER FAMILY.

John Kratzer was a farmer in Whitehall township. He was married and had a son, Charles, who also lived in Whitehall at what is known as "Kratzer's," situated along the Slatington trolley road, in what is now South Whitehall township. The latter had a son, Lewis, who was born near the "Kratzer schoolhouse," in May, 1846; is employed as carpenter by the Donaldson Iron Company, at Emaus, for the past quarter of a century. He is a member of the Lutheran church at Emaus, where he resides. He married Ellen E., a daughter of William and Mary (Wieder) Romig, and their union was blessed with seven children, viz: Charles, died young; Wilson, of Emaus; Edward, a painter by trade; Harrison J., history follows; Emma, who graduated from the Emaus high school in 1913, is now a public school teacher; and Frederick and Robert, both employed in the silk mill at Emaus.

HARRISON J. KRATZER, of Emaus, a son of Lewis and Ellen E. (Romig) Kratzer, was born in that old Moravian settlement, first known as "Emmaus," on June 22, 1885. He attended the Emaus high school, but went to work at the age of fourteen in the Keystone Silk Mill, where he was employed for seven years. Afterward for four years, he was employed by the Unity Silk

Company, Allentown, and for a while was employed by the Chester Silk Company, at Chester, Pa. In 1909 he accepted a position with the D. G. Dery Silk Company, at Emaus, where he has been employed up to the present time.

Mr. Kratzer was the chief of the fire department of Emaus, in 1909; was a state delegate to the Harrisburg Democratic convention in 1911; is a member of the Mystic Star Lodge, No. 73, I. O. O. F., and the Emmaus Encampment, No. 15, both of Emaus. He is a member of the Emaus Fire Company, No. 1, was one of the organizers of the Firemen's Relief Association, of Emaus.

#### CLAUDE H. KRATZER.

John Kratzer, of Plainfield township, New Jersey, located at Moorestown, in Northampton county, Pa. He was born in 1800. He was an undertaker until about 1869, when he was paralyzed, which disabled him and left him an invalid until he died in 1874. He is buried at the Moorestown Union Church, of which he and family were Lutheran members. He served the congregation as deacon and elder.

He married Susanna Shook, who died about 1877. They had seven children: Jacob, Rebecca, Henry, Carolina, David and Elias (twins), and Peter.

Henry Kratzer, son of John, was born in Plainfield township, New Jersey, in 1835. He was a carpenter, and helped to erect many derricks at the slate quarries in Northampton county, Pa. He was active in religious work, serving both the church and Sunday-school at Moorestown, actively for a number of years. He died at Pen Argyl, of typhoid fever, and was buried at Moorestown.

On New Year's evening, 1865, he married Matilda A. Johnson (born in 1845, in Moore township). She is a daughter of Henry and Dorothea (Hoch) Kratzer.

They had five children: Victoria (who died when five years old); Mary (m. Edward Miller); Lillie (m. Albert Heckman); Deborah (m. Nelson Rice of Allentown); and Claude H. (mentioned later.) Edward Miller and Albert Heckman reside at Nazareth, Pa.

Mrs. Kratzer's grandfather, Jacob Hoch (who died aged 92 years) often spoke about the Indians, and how he gave them tobacco, which pleased them very much, and made them friendly with the Hoch family.

Claude H. Kratzer, of Allentown, was born at Pen-Argyl, Pa., December 26, 1885. He was educated in the public schools at Nazareth, and the Medico-Chirurgical Pharmacy, in Phila-

delphia, graduating in 1906. He then acted as the manager of the Claud Pharmacy in Philadelphia, until 1907, when he became the successor of the J. J. Murry pharmacy at Allentown, located at the corner of Second and Liberty streets, and built up a large business. He has a modern drug store. Socially, he is a member of the Knights of Friendship, and the Loyal Order of Moose.

AMMON J. KRATZER, carpenter and farmer, was born May 28, 1850, at Friedensville, in Upper Saucon township. He attended the public school and worked on a farm until he became eighteen years old, when he learned the trade of carpenter under Joseph Mory, at Center Valley, and this he has followed in that vicinity until the present time. By his thrift he secured a farm in the township, which he occupies and carries on in connection with his trade. In politics he has been a Republican and he has served as registry assessor of the township for three years. He married Mary Rudolph, a daughter of Henry and Lovina (Snyder) Rudolph, of the same township, and they have one child, Victor Henry, who married Annie, daughter of James A. and Eunice (Cressman) Hillegass, who have their home with him. They are members of the Reformed church at Friedensville, which he has served as deacon and elder.

His father, Joseph Kratzer, was brought up on a farm, learned the trade of tailor, which he followed for a number of years; then by his industry and economy he was enabled to buy a farm in Upper Saucon and this he cultivated until he died at the age of seventy-five years. He married Sarah, daughter of Jacob Mory, and they had four children: Ammon J.; Sarah, who died single at the age of 53 years; Mary, who resides at Quakertown; and one who died in infancy.

His grandfather was John Kratzer, of Whitehall, where he was born and carried on farming.

#### KRAUSE FAMILY.

Johannes Krause was born in Germany, January 9, 1712, and emigrated to America about the middle of the eighteenth century. He settled in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, Pa., where he was a farmer. He died June 12, 1795, and is buried in the old graveyard of the Heidelberg church, of which he had been a member. He had a number of children.

John Philip, son of Johannes Krause, was born Jan. 3, 1753, and died Jan. 9, 1798. He married Miss Heckman, and had children: Johannes, who married, had a daughter, Kate, who married Mr. Handwerk; Daniel, and George,

of further mention; Philip, married and had: Polly (Maria), who died in 1911 at the age of 97 years; Salinda, and Caroline; John Adam, married and had: Nathan, Amos, Levi, Peter, William, Fianna, Sarah, and Maria; Frederick, of further mention; and several others.

Daniel, son of John Philip Krause, was a farmer near Saegersville. He married Maria Rex, and had: Daniel, of further mention; Gideon; Polly; Catharine, and Sallie.

Daniel, son of Daniel and Maria (Rex) Krause, succeeded to his father's homestead. He and his family were Lutherans. He married Mary Klotz, and had: Lewis D., of further mention; Fietta; Louisa; Mary; Owen, and William.

LEWIS D. KRAUSE, son of Daniel and Mary (Klotz) Krause, was born on the homestead in Heidelberg township, in 1843. Up to the age of sixteen years he attended the public schools of his native township, then was clerk in a store in Slatington, until 1879. He then engaged in the wholesale shoe business in Allentown, following this for twelve years, then added a retail department, and continued the business for a further period of sixteen years. In 1904 he became president of the Citizens' Deposit and Trust Company, and filled this office five years, and since 1910 he has served as vice-president of the company. He has been a member of the Evangelical Church since 1867, and during this time has filled all of the various church offices. Mr. Krause married, in 1862, Sarah E., a daughter of David and Carolina Weida, and they have had: Emma L., living with her parents; Oliver; Charles W., and Samuel D., who died young.

George, son of John Philip Krause, was a farmer near Newside, Pa. He was a member of the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg church. He married, and had: David; Polly, married Jacob Best; George, of further mention.

George, son of George Krause, was born in 1807. He was a farmer all the active years of his life on the tract of one hundred and fourteen acres near Newside, now owned by his son, Jarius. He also owned another large farm, in Washington township, now owned by his son, Benjamin. He was a Republican, and served as school director and as assessor of the township. He was a deacon and elder in the Lutheran congregation of Heidelberg, and is buried in the graveyard at that place. Mr. Krause married Polly Harter, and had: Priscilla; Maria; Benjamin P.; Otilie; Emma; Jarius, of further mention; Willoughby.

Jarius, son of George and Polly (Harter) Krause, was born October 3, 1856. He removed to Best Station in 1873, and lived there for a



period of ten years. He next settled on a tract of thirty-three acres, in Washington township, which he cultivated for general farming and also planted about 6,000 peach trees. He remained there twelve years, then returned to Best Station, where he has since resided. He is engaged in business as a merchant and is the postmaster of the town. He married, in 1882, Henrietta J. Best, and has had: Ralph W., Stewart, and Blanche P.

Frederick, son of John Philip Krause, married a daughter of Peter and Sallie (Saeger) Miller, and had: Levi, of further mention; Joseph; David, of further mention; Tilghman; Wilson; Anna; Matilda; Polly; Senia; Hettie.

Levi, son of Frederick and Sallie Krause, married Maria Miller, and had children: 1. Frederick P., of further mention. 2. Milton L., of further mention. 3. Franz, married Mrs. Missouri Schindler, a widow with five children. 4. Mary, married Tilghman Handwerk, and has Della, who married Oscar Hensinger; Samuel. 5. Edwin Ammon, of further mention. 6. Lizzie, married Frederick Bimler, and has: Florence, and Marguerite.

Frederick P., son of Levi and Maria (Miller) Krause, was born at Deibertsville, Lehigh county, Oct. 14, 1849. Reared on the farm, he was educated at the public schools of his section, and at the age of fifteen years commenced to learn the butcher's trade. He came to Allentown, April 29, 1873, and formed a partnership with his brother-in-law, Wilson Krum, and they conducted a butcher shop three years, after which the partnership was dissolved. He then became associated with his brother, Milton L., the firm operating in the same line of business under the name of Krause Brothers. At the end of three years, Mr. Krause became buyer and seller of stock for Jeremiah Roth, and held this position eleven years. Removing to Hazleton, Pa., at the end of this time, he engaged in the livery business, but suffered a heavy loss by fire. Early in the nineties he engaged in a similar line of business at Allentown, having a large number of horses. He is Republican in politics and Lutheran in religious faith. Mr. Krause married Sophia, a daughter of Paul and Elvina (Snyder) Krum, and they had: Lillie, married William Miller; he has a son: Carlton; Mamie, married Daniel Glase, has: Evelyn, and Pauline, and George, a sales agent.

Milton L., son of Levi and Maria (Miller) Krause, was born at Deibertsville, Lehigh county, April 7, 1851. He lived on the homestead until he was twenty years of age. Coming to Allentown in 1875, he learned the butcher's trade, and later became a partner of his brother, and re-

tired in 1899. In political matters he is a Republican, and he affiliates with the Lutheran Church. He is a member of the Sons of Veterans, and was one of the organizers of the Krause family reunion, served as president for eight years, and since that time has been a member of the executive committee. Mr. Krause married, Dec. 2, 1877, Kate, daughter of George and Matilda (Mertz) Hoffman, of Allentown, and a grand-daughter of Peter and Catherine (Ritter) Hoffman. Peter Hoffman established the lumber business on Hamilton street where the Hersh hardware store is now located.

Edwin Ammon, son of Levi and Maria (Miller) Krause, was born in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, Dec. 20, 1863. He attended the public schools and then assisted his father in the cultivation of the farm until he had attained his majority, when he went to Lansford with W. D. Saylor, of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, with whom he remained two years. Another year was given to farm work, at home, and shortly after his marriage he went to Allentown, where he learned the butcher's business with Edward Miller. Not long afterward he became associated with J. B. Haas, with whom he remained two years, then became a partner of his brother, Milton L., opening a market in 1889. This was an immediate success and remained such until the dissolution of the partnership eight years later, when Edwin Ammon Krause carried on the business alone for a number of years in the same successful manner. He had one of the best appointed markets in the city, equipped with all modern conveniences for the care and preservation of the meats he handled. Later he branched out into another line of industry, and is now proprietor of the Krause Automobile Company. In 1911 he erected a large and modern garage and salesroom at the corner of Law and Court streets. He is recognized as one of the Republican leaders of Allentown, and has served several terms as a member of the common council. In the fall of 1904 he was elected sheriff of Lehigh county by an overwhelming majority, although this county is generally Democratic.

He is a member of the Lutheran church, and his fraternal membership is with Benjamin Harrison Lodge, Knights of the Mystic Chain; Yeager Post, No. 13, Sons of Veterans. Mr. Krause married Mary, daughter of Paul and Catherine (Mosser) Hunsicker, granddaughter of Peter and Sarah (Bachman) Hunsicker, and granddaughter of David and Elizabeth (Smith) Mosser. Children: Bertha, Pearl, Maria, and Edmund.

David, son of Frederick Krause, was a farmer

on the homestead in Washington township. He was a member of the old state militia, and a deacon and elder of the Lutheran congregation in Heidelberg. He married Catherine, daughter of Henry Hoffman, and had: Sarah, married Joseph Hunsicker; Sallie, married James Long; Fianna, married Wilson Peter; Henry D., of further mention.

Henry D., son of David and Catherine (Hoffman) Krause, was born near Newside, Pa., Feb. 2, 1852. He has a farm of 123 acres, which is one of the best cultivated in the county. A part of the large farmhouse was erected in 1839. He owns an adjoining farm of seventy acres, operates a portable saw-mill, and follows threshing. He is a member of the Heidelberg Lutheran church, in which he has served as deacon. He married, in 1875, Eliza Blose, and has: Ida, married Calvin E. Krause; William; Mary; Granville.

Jacob, in all probability a son of John Philip Krause, was born March 8, 1783, and died October 24, 1861. He was a farmer in Heidelberg township, and was buried at New Tripoli. He married ——— Lutz, born August 8, 1783, died March 25, 1871. Children: Joseph; Jacob, of further mention; Charles; Nathan; David; Edward; Jestina; Betsy; Kate; Mary.

Jacob, son of Jacob and ——— (Lutz) Krause, was born in Lowhill township, and settled in Albany township, Berks county, on a thirty-acre farm. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, and he and his wife were buried at Wessnersville church. He married Salome, daughter of Jacob Braucher, and had: Uriah; Jacob, and William, of further mention.

Jacob, son of Jacob and Salome (Braucher) Krause, was born near Kempton, Berks county, January 24, 1832. At the age of eighteen years he learned the blacksmith's trade and followed this occupation twenty years at Fetherolfville. In 1870 he became a farmer in Albany township on ninety-seven acres of land lying in the potato belt, and was succeeded by his son in 1904. He was a Democrat and serves as school director. He was an elder for many years of the Friedens church, at Wessnersville. He married (first) Mary Rex, who died twelve years after the marriage; (second) Mary S. Smith, born in 1847, died March 10, 1907. Children by first marriage: Phaon, Samuel, Cora, Cornelius, Clarissa, and Marietta. By second marriage: Annie, Mary, Maurice, Savilla, Mabel, Calvin, and Lewis.

William, son of Jacob and Salome (Braucher) Krause, was born in Albany township, Berks county, Oct. 28, 1836, and died at Slatedale, August 17, 1906. Educated in the public schools,

he removed to Slatedale after attaining his majority, and there operated Krause's Mill from 1861 to 1904. Twenty-two acres of land were a part of this mill property. He was a Democrat, and served as school director. He affiliated with the Heidelberg Lutheran congregation, and was a member of the building committee which had in charge the erection of the present church at Slatedale. He married Maria, daughter of George and Polly (Harter) Krause, of Newside. Children: Elias H., of further mention; Clara A.; Albert F.; Sabilla A.; Thomas O., of further mention; Annie J.

Elias H., son of William and Maria (Krause) Krause, was born at Slatedale, Nov. 9, 1861. He had learned milling with his father, and followed this occupation fourteen years, taking charge of a store in Slatedale in 1903. He married, Nov. 3, 1889, Hannah M. West, and had: Lewis A.; Gertrude E.; George, died in infancy.

Thomas O., son of William and Maria (Krause) Krause, was born at Slatedale, Pa., June 2, 1870. He had but limited opportunity for acquiring an education, as he commenced working in the slate quarry at the age of twelve years. January 16, 1890, he became connected with the Slatington Slate Company. In 1894 he was made superintendent of the mountain quarry, of the Slatington Slate Company, where he has the supervision of almost fifty men. In 1896 he built his modern and commodious residence at Slatedale. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church, and he is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Patriotic Order Sons of America. Mr. Krause married, November 23, 1895, Minnie, daughter of Benjamin and Fianna (Sauerwine) Rex. No children.

#### WILLIAM R. KRANZLEY.

Louis Kranzley was born in Crumberg, Oberamt Ellwangen, in Wurtemberg, Germany, March 2, 1827. He was a stone mason and was married in his native country to Wilhelmina Helena Steigler, whose father, Carl, possessed the largest and finest nursery of his place. She was born March 27, 1834, in Bossfinger, Oberamt Neersheim, in Wurtemberg, Germany. They emigrated to the United States in January, 1859. After working at his trade in New York for a year he located at Bethlehem, Pa., and there followed stone mason contracting. In 1868 he became the foreman of the zinc works near Bethlehem, and served that position a number of years. He then located in Allentown, and for some time was a leading stone mason contractor. In 1876 he built the foundation of the Salem Reformed church, and in 1894 the foundation of



the Salem chapel. He and wife were members of the Reformed church and for some years of the Dubbs Reformed Church in Salisbury church. but after there removal to Allentown, they united with the Salem church. He died August 20, 1902, and she died November 11, 1912. Their children were: Nettie (married N. Dressler); Lucy (married Peter Kuntzen); Louis W., Annie (married William Wieand), and William R., all living in Allentown. Four children died: Richard, two years old son, died aboard ship and was buried at sea; another son, Charles, died small and is buried at the Salisbury church; Lena died aged eighteen years, and the second Richard died aged six years and he and Lena are buried in Union cemetery, Allentown.

William R. Kranzley, fire-chief of Allentown, Pa., was born September 19, 1871, and attended the public schools. At the age of eleven years he learned the barber trade with George Kline (an ex-fire-chief under the administration of Col. S. D. Lehr.) When fifteen years old he left school and went to New York city to work at his trade, but he remained only six months, then he returned home and accepted his former position with Mr. Kline. He came home upon the urgent request of a good and devoted mother who so much desired her son to be with her. Six months later, however, he was permitted to return to New York. He continued there one and one-half years, then accepted a better position at Rheinback, N. Y., and one-half year later he had earned a sufficient means to engage in business for himself and returned to Allentown and in 1890 established a place at Eighth and Gordon streets, where he continued until Dec. 4, 1911, when he received the appointment of fire-chief, his present position. Under his administration an auto-engine was installed by the Pioneer Fire Company, No. 9, the first in the city and Chief Kranzley recommended that the entire department be equipped with motor power apparatus. He has been very active in the fire department since he was a young man. He was assistant chief of the fire department under Mayor H. G. Stiles; was twice foreman of the American Hose Fire Company, No. 2, and previously he was assistant foreman. He served a term as common councilman of the Eighth ward and was instrumental in securing legislation to perfect the fire department of Allentown. He is a member of the Democratic party; of the Loyal Order of Moose; and of the Knights of the Mystic Chain. In 1892 he married Emma Bach and they have two children: Charles W. (who graduated from the Allentown High School in 1913); and Revalen R.

Carl Wilhelm Bach, a native of Constadt, Schwovenland, Germany, was born Dec. 2, 1829. He married Elizabeth C. Englert, born June 8, 1833, and died in 1890. They came to this country with their four oldest children, and shortly afterwards they settled at No. 417 North Penn street, Allentown, where he pursued his occupation as a potter, and conducted what was known as the Allentown Pottery. They had five children: Charles, Pauline, Eberhart, Herman and Emma (married to William R. Kranzley, the fire chief, at Allentown, Pa.

#### KRIEBEL FAMILY.

(I) George Kriebel came to Pennsylvania in 1734, a member of Schwenkfelders who emigrated from Silesia, Germany. On Nov. 25, 1740, he married Susanna Kriebel, daughter of Balthaser and Regina (Yeakel) Kriebel, and they had two sons: George, born July 11, 1744; and Andrew, Sept. 17, 1748. George Kriebel died Sept. 2, 1778, and his wife Susanna, Sept. 14, 1775.

(II) George Kriebel, son of George and Susanna, born July 11, 1744, was killed by a stone falling on his head while he was cleaning out his well, Sept. 14, 1792. He married Esther, daughter of George Wiegner, and she died Feb. 13, 1816. They had four children: Christopher, born Sept. 27, 1774, died June 2, 1779; George, born July 28, 1777, died May 28, 1779; Christopher (2), born Oct. 8, 1779; and Susanna, born Nov. 11, 1782, died Feb. 15, 1789.

(III) Christopher Kriebel, son of George, born Oct. 8, 1779, died Sept. 12, 1822. He married Regina, widow of Isaac Kriebel, and daughter of Rev. Melchoir Schultze. She died Feb. 28, 1870. They had two children: Susanna, born Sept. 21, 1808, died May 27, 1875; and Bathsheba, born July 8, 1819.

(II) Andrew Kriebel, son of George the emigrant, married, May 6, 1771, Susanna, daughter of Abraham Yeakel. She died April 22, 1808, aged 57 years, 5 months, 14 days. He died April 17, 1830. They had nine children: Rosanna, born 1773, married, 1818, Daniel Diehl, and died 1836; Abraham, born Sept. 27, 1774; Samuel, born June 13, 1776; George, born Oct. 2, 1778, died May 20, 1779; Regina, born June 25, 1780; David, born July 19, 1783; Sophia, born Nov. 1, 1785; Salome, born Dec. 9, 1787; and Israel, born Sept. 14, 1790.

(III) Abraham Kriebel, son of Andrew and Susanna, born Sept. 27, 1774, was a miller and owned the mill property now in the possession of William Kriebel, in Worcester township, Montgomery county. He died April 7, 1844. On

June 4, 1801, he married Christina, daughter of Abraham Kriebel, and their children were: Sophia, born Nov. 23, 1802; Isaac, March 20, 1804; Maria, March 17, 1806; Sophia (2), April 17, 1810; Catharine, June 9, 1813; Anna, Feb. 20, 1818; and Sarah (1821-1848).

(III) Samuel Kriebel, son of Andrew and Susanna, born June 13, 1776, died Feb. 1, 1841. On Jan. 3, 1802, he married Christina, daughter of Melchoir Schultz, and she died April 21, 1819, the mother of Sarah, Susanna, Lydia, Elizabeth and William. He married (second) July 24, 1824, Catharine, daughter of Henry Leatherback, and to this union was born one daughter, Sophia.

(III) David Kriebel, son of Andrew and Susanna, born July 19, 1783, died July 1, 1842. On May 24, 1810, he married Rosina, daughter of David Schultz, and she died Dec. 27, 1817, the mother of three children: Anna, Mary and Philip. He married, second, in 1819, Elizabeth Alderfer, who died Aug. 12, 1878. The children of the second marriage were: Henry, Susanna, Magdalena, Septimus, Barbara, Hannah and Elizabeth.

(III) Israel Kriebel, son of Andrew and Susanna, born Sept. 14, 1790, was a miller and lived near Chapel, in Hereford township, Berks county. He died June 14, 1860. On May 6, 1819, he married Sarah, daughter of Rev. John Schultz, and she died in March, 1859. They had thirteen children: Christina, born Oct. 12, 1820, died Oct. 10, 1864; John, born Feb. 4, 1822; Samuel, born Nov. 11, 1823, died June 16, 1825; Susanna, born Jan. 8, 1825; Elizabeth, born Aug. 10, 1826; Henry, March 25, 1828; Elias, Oct. 13, 1829; Regina, Oct. 7, 1831; Joseph, 1833 (died 1858); Andrew, Aug. 8, 1835; Anna, 1838 (died 1845); Sarah, 1841 (died 1845); and Mary, July 14, 1846.

(IV) Henry Kriebel, son of Israel, born March 25, 1828, in Washington township, came with his parents to what is now Kriebel's Mill in Hereford when a small boy. He lived the remainder of his life there and died Nov. 10, 1893. As a young man he became a miller and conducted an oil mill and grist mill until his death, assuming charge of the mill when his father died. At that time 125 acres of good land were connected with the mill property, and this was divided into two tracts after the death of Henry Kriebel in 1893, the mill and twenty-five acres going to the son, Lewis G., and the rest to another son, Calvin G. Henry Kriebel manufactured much linseed oil, employing five or six persons. The flax was hauled from Upper Berks and Lehigh counties in large Conestoga wagons, with four horses. The oil was sold in the sur-

rounding country and was used in the mixture of paints. The mill was operated by water power, being located on the north branch of the Perkio-men creek, and it was the last oil mill in the township. Mr. Kriebel was a member of the Schwenkfelder church, is buried at the Washington Meeting-House. He served the township as Republican committeeman for more than a quarter of a century. He was school director, assistant township assessor, auditor, and at one time the candidate of his party for county treasurer. He was twice married. By his first wife, Mary Wiegner, he had three children of whom two died in infancy, and the other, a son, Prof. Howard W., is now the publisher of the *Pennsylvania German*, a widely circulated magazine. He married, second, Elizabeth Griesemer, daughter of Gabriel Griesemer, and nine children were born of this union: Dr. Elmer, located at Centre Point, Pa.; Lewis G.; Calvin G., who lives on a part of the homestead; Owen, who died in infancy; Regina, who married Horace Gery; Sallie, who married Adam Urffer; Andrew G., a butcher in Hereford township, who married Ellen Gery; Dr. Asher G., and Henry G., of Alburtis.

HOWARD WIEGNER KRIEBEL, son of Henry Kriebel (Israel and Sarah, nee Schultz, Kriebel) and Mary Ann Wiegner (Jacob and Rosina, nee Yeakel, Wiegner), was born in Hereford township, Berks Co., Pa., 1859, educated in the public schools of his native township, at the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa. (graduated, 1876), and at Oberlin, Ohio. He was married to Thamar K. Schultz, daughter of Thomas Schultz (Rev. Christopher and Susanna, nee Yeakel, Schultz) and Hannah Kriebel (Jacob and Anna, nee Yeakel, Kriebel), in 1884. He taught in the public schools of his native township and at Perkiomen Seminary, Pennsburg, Pa., where he served also as bookkeeper, secretary and trustee. He resigned from this position to write "The Schwenkfelders in Pennsylvania. A Historical Sketch," published in 1904 by the Pennsylvania German Society, of which he is a member. Since 1906 he is publisher of *The Pennsylvania-German*, an illustrated monthly magazine devoted to the biography, genealogy, history, folklore, literature and general interests of German and Swiss settlers in Pennsylvania and other States and their descendants.

DR. ASHER G. KRIEBEL, physician and surgeon at Lynnvile, is a native of Hereford township, in Berks county. He was born December 14, 1879, and educated in the township schools, and in the Perkiomen Seminary. With this preparation he entered the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia in 1899 and was graduated



in 1903. For a year and a half after his graduation he assisted his brother Dr. Elmer G. Kriebel at Worcester, in Montgomery county, and in December, 1905, he located at Lynnvile, becoming the successor of Dr. R. J. Fly, who had succeeded Dr. F. C. Seiberling in 1899 upon his removal to Allentown.

Dr. Kriebel covers a large field and has a lucrative practice, having purchased and now occupying the residence which had been the home of the preceding physicians at Lynnvile, Doctors Trexler, Zangerle, Saylor, Seiberling, and Fly. He is a member of the Odd Fellows; and of the Fraternal Order of Elks, No. 110, of Allentown.

Dr. Kriebel was married January 5, 1906, to Bertha H. Heebner, daughter of Joseph L. and Mary Jane (Hipple) Heebner, and they have two children: T. Randall and H. Denton.

Casper Kriebel and his wife Susanna, came to Pennsylvania in 1734. Their children were: George, born in Saxony, Germany, Nov. 3, 1732; Abraham, born Oct. 8, 1736; Susanna married Casper Kriebel, who died Feb. 16, 1771. He was a descendant of Abraham Kriebel.

Rev. George Kriebel, son of Casper, married Anna, daughter of Balthaser Anders, on Oct. 11, 1758. Their children were: Abraham, born May 26, 1760; Susanna, Jacob, and Anna. George Kriebel died Dec. 1, 1805, aged 73 years, 1 month and 22 days. His wife Anna died June 4, 1822, aged 86 years, 2 months, less 4 days.

Abraham Kriebel, son of Rev. George, married Salome Yeakel on April 26, 1784. Their children were: Benjamin, born Jan. 22, 1785; Lydia, Daniel, Jacob, Anthony, Jonathan, Sophia, Anna, Samuel, Susanna and Rachel.

Benjamin Kriebel, son of Abraham, married Catharine, daughter of Melchoir Yeakel in 1813. He died in Upper Hanover on Oct. 30, 1863. His wife died Sept. 30, 1868. Their children were: Agnes, Gideon, Judith, Maria, and Isaac.

Isaac Kriebel, a son of Benjamin, born Oct. 19, 1825, died Oct 20, 1863, was a lumberman and farmer of Lower Milford township, and was also engaged in the general mercantile business for years at Macungie, and also at Zionsville. He died at his home in Lower Milford township, and was interred at Zionsville, Pa.

He married Sarah Wiand, and they had children; William, a merchant at Macungie; Benjamin Franklin, of whom below; Daniel W., a resident of Catasauqua, Pa., and Mary who died young.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN KRIEBEL, son of Isaac, was born in Lower Milford township, Feb. 13, 1854. He was for years a well known merchant in Allentown. He received a good English and German education, becoming a clerk in his father's store at Macungie, Pa., at the age of 12 years where he continued for four years, then he came to Allentown in 1881, and became a clerk in the store of Milton Kramer, at 6th and Hamilton streets, and remained there three years.

He then was employed by Bittner, Hunsicker and company, where he remained for three years. In 1887 he engaged in business for himself at 7th and Union streets, Allentown. He conducted his general store there for three and a half years, when he located at the corner of Church and Union streets, having purchased the property of John S. Geller, utilizing the building as a store and dwelling. He there conducted a successful business for some years. Later he built a fine store at the S. E. corner of Church and Union streets. He removed his business there, and continued in it until his death, which occurred Dec. 9, 1898, while in the prime of life. He was interred in the Fairview cemetery.

Mr. Kriebel in politics was a Republican; in religion he was a member of the Evangelical church. He was a consistent Christian man, honest and honorable in his dealings, and successful in his undertakings.

He was married Jan. 1, 1880, to Emma R. Gilbert, born in Lower Macungie township, Pa., daughter of Matthias and Mary B. (Rink) Gilbert.

After Mr. Kriebel's death, his widow conducted the business for four years. She then rented the building and improved her home, where she now resides. She is a member of the Lutheran church. Their children were: Estella M. and Charles Theodore.

Estella M. married Robert Westerman of Allentown, Pa., and they have four children: Marion, Millard W., Noel B. and Christian L.

Charles Theodore was educated in the public and high schools of Allentown and Muhlenberg College; then took a course in Mining Engineering at Lehigh University, and is now engaged in his profession in Michigan.

HARRY W. KRESS.

The Kress families of Pennsylvania, are of German extraction. Conrad John Joseph Kress, son of John Kress, was a native of the Kingdom of Prussia, born in Westphalia in 1800. Conrad J. J. Kress was a university graduate and studied for the priesthood and was ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church. In 1833 he came

to America, landing in New York City and located in Hoboken, N. J., where he followed his calling for a short time. He then went to Oxford Furnace, N. J., as interpreter and foreman of a gang of French wood-choppers. After that he became a district school teacher in Lynn township, Lehigh county; then later taught a subscription school in Macungie township. He then engaged in compounding and selling medicine and in 1848 removed his family to Allentown, continuing in this business until his decease, Dec. 29, 1865. Interment was in Union cemetery. His widow died July 18, 1879 in her 79th year and was also interred in Union cemetery. Mr. Kress was a Whig and later a Republican, and attended the Lutheran Church, of which his wife was a member. He was a man of culture and high attainments. He was both a Latin and Greek scholar, and some of his writings are still in possession of his son, William.

Conrad J. J. Kress married Catherine Hughes in Macungie township. Issue: William, of Allentown; Edwin J., of whom below; Amanda S., who married Nathan Yundt. Issue: Nuttville, who married John Yost. They reside in California and have a daughter Mabel who married Malcolm W. Gross.

Edwin James Kress, son of Conrad and Catherine (Hughes) Kress, was born Sept. 14, 1838, in Upper Macungie township, Lehigh county. As a boy he attended the schools of his neighborhood, and when very young learned the trade of carpenter with Daniel Greenawalt, and soon removed to Allentown, where he followed his trade. He made a specialty of stair-building, continuing this work until his death on Oct. 1, 1888. He was buried in Union cemetery, Allentown. He was a Republican, and a member of the Reformed Church.

Edwin James Kress was married Aug. 26, 1866 to Amanda Glick, daughter of John L., and Elizabeth (Kemmerer) Glick. Mrs. Kress resides with her son at Allentown. Issue, two sons, as follows: Harry W., of whom below; and Charles Edwin Kress, who died, aged six years.

Harry W. Kress, eldest son of Edwin J. and Amanda (Glick) Kress, was born Sept. 18, 1873, in Allentown. He was educated in the public and high schools, of his native city. In 1900 he became associated with the Barber Asphalt Paving Co., first as time-keeper and solicitor, and later as manager of the company, a position of trust which he serves since 1903. He is a director of the Second National Bank, of Allentown, and of the Lyric theater, being vice-president of the latter. He is a member of the following-named organizations: Jordan Lodge No. 673, F. & A. M., of which he is its treas-

urer; Allen Chapter, No. 203; the Allen Commandery, No. 20; and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Reading, Pa.; and in politics he is a Republican. He is affiliated with Zion Reformed church.

Harry W. Kress was married Oct. 18, 1898, to Emily G. Stuckert, daughter of Abraham and Alice (Gernert) Stuckert. They have an only daughter, Alice G. Kress.

#### KRESSLER FAMILY.

Michael Kressler, a native of Northampton county, was born July 8, 1778, and died Feb. 24, 1857. His wife, Elizabeth, was born March 10, 1786, and died Jan. 19, 1855. Both were interred at Indianland church, Lehigh township, Northampton county, Pa.

Samuel Kressler, son of Michael and Elizabeth Kressler, was born in Northampton county, and is buried at Unionville. Early in life he was a boatman and lived at Lockport (now Walnutport), from whence he moved to Schnecksville, North Whitehall township, which was his home for fifteen years. Later he moved near Meyersville, where he was employed in the ore mines. He was a member of the Evangelical Church. His wife was Eliza Peter, daughter of Philip Peter. She died at Meyersville, and after her death the family separated and the father went to Upper Macungie, where he resided with his son, Thomas A. The children were: Lizzie, who married Thomas Everett, and resides at Lynnport, Pa.; Alvin, who was unmarried; Amantes, who was killed in the Civil War; John, who lived at Wotring's Mill, and Thomas A.

Thomas A. Kressler, the youngest son of Samuel and Eliza Kressler, was born in Northampton county, November 6, 1845, and died in Upper Macungie, January 31, 1905, aged 59 years, 2 months, and 25 days. He is buried at Unionville. He was a farmer in North Whitehall, but later in Upper Macungie township. His farm consisted of 125 acres, which was the Isaac Haas homestead. This homestead passed to his son, Joseph L. Mr. Kressler was a member of the Reformed Church and served as a deacon at the Union Church, and as an elder at the Morganland church. His wife was Amelia Hoffman, daughter of Solomon and Eliza (Hensinger) Hoffman, of Washington township. Their children were: William A., a farmer of Northampton county; Edwin T.; Alice R., wife of Milton Deibert; Joseph L., of South Whitehall township; George P., of Chapmans, Pa.; Emma, who died at the age of two years, and Albert S. E., of Chapmans, Pa.

EDWIN T. KRESSLER, the second son of James



A. and Amelia Kressler, was born June 29, 1870, in North Whitehall township. He was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools. In 1893 he commenced farming as a tenant in South Whitehall township, where he continued for thirteen years, after which he purchased the farm known as the Jeremiah Kern homestead, located West of Hoffmansville. He conducted this farm until the spring of 1913. In the fall of 1912 he sold the farm, consisting of 100 acres, to Morris Schantz. Since 1895 Mr. Kressler has been engaged in selling produce, disposing of it in Catasauqua, and Allentown, where he has an established route and still has some of his original customers. He is also a dealer in horses, handling between fifty and one hundred horses annually. He is a member of the Leather Corner Post Mutual Aid Society.

On November 9, 1882, he married Jane I. Klotz, daughter of George and Mary (Acker) Klotz. Their children were: Thomas, who graduated from the township high school, and attended the State College. He was married to Lillian Sensinger, and resides in Upper Macungie; John E., who also graduated from the township high school, and also from the American Commercial School; Mary A.; and Emma J.

JOSEPH L. KRESSLER, the third son of Thomas A. and Amelia Kressler, a farmer and huckster in South Whitehall township, was born in North Whitehall township, March 28, 1877. He was reared upon the farm and attended the public schools in Upper Macungie township. In the spring of 1898 he commenced farming as a tenant in South Whitehall, and four years later he became a tenant on his father's farm, which consisted of 125 acres. In the fall of 1905 he purchased the homestead and continued farming it until 1908, when he purchased and moved upon his present farm near Guth's Station. This farm consists of thirty-five acres and was a Guth homestead, until the property was purchased by the Atlas Cement Company, who owned it for nine years. Mr. Kressler has a huckster route and makes weekly trips to Allentown selling butter, eggs, and other produce as the season affords. This has formed a part of his occupation since 1902. He is a member of the Lowhill Mutual Aid Society at Leather Corner Post.

On May 15, 1897, he was married to Mary L. Wehr, daughter of Moses and Lydia (Peter) Wehr, of Kernsville. They have a daughter, May Mary Kressler.

#### KRESSLY FAMILY.

John Adam Krassly, a German immigrant, was a pioneer in Heidelberg township, settling at a place locally known as "Die Kressly Stadt,"

even at this time. He is probably buried on the old graveyard at New Tripoli, and most of his many descendants are members of the Lutheran Church. He had four sons: Adam; Jacob; Bernhard, and John.

The tax-list of 1812 of Heidelberg contained these names: Adam, Bernhard, Jacob, John, and Jacob Krassly. Doubtless the second John and Jacob were grandsons of the ancestors. One of the Jacobs was recorded as a single man. In 1826 a John Krassly was the supervisor of Heidelberg and in the years 1849-50 and '55, a John Krassly was supervisor, and in 1859, '65, and '66, a Jacob Krassly was supervisor. The name is spelled so differently that the compiler has been obliged to follow the orthography used in the records and as now used by the several branches of the family.

Adam Kressly, lived in Heidelberg. In 1824 he built a stone house in "Die Kressly Stadt," which is still standing. He and his wife are buried on the old graveyard at New Tripoli. Her name was Catharine Nein, and their children were: Elizabeth, (married Johan Jacob Bachman and died in her 93rd year); Catharine, (married George Shoemaker, and her twin sister was the wife of John Snyder); Dina, (married Daniel Miller); John, Adam, and Peter.

(John) Adam Kressly, son of John and grandson of the pioneer, was born June 28, 1797, and died July 28, 1883, aged 86 years and 1 month. He was a shoemaker in Heidelberg in the settlement which bore the family name. On November 22, 1822, he married Barbara Miller, who was born Feb. 26, 1801, and died Feb. 15, 1839. They were buried on the old graveyard at New Tripoli. Their children were: Nathan, born Nov. 23, 1823; Owen, born Dec. 11, 1825; Sarah A., born Dec. 31, 1831; and William F., born March 28, 1834. He married as his second wife, Magdalena Werly, who was born April 7, 1805.

Owen Kressly, the second son, died at San Jose, Cal., on Jan. 4, 1881.

WILLIAM F. KRESSLY, the last named of the above sons, is a retired business man who resides at Allentown. He was born in Heidelberg and educated in the English school taught by George Paff, an Englishman. The same school was afterward taught by Rev. Levi Derr. Mr. Kressly was sent to Upper-Harmany in New Jersey to learn the English language. Upon his return home he taught school for two terms near New Tripoli and the "Water Pond" school one term. He had a 40 acre farm at the Schochary, which he farmed for six years. In 1865 he moved to Slatington, and there graded many of the

streets during the eleven years that he lived in that borough. From that town he moved to Easton, Pa., to engage in the retail coal business and he carried it on for nineteen years; then moved to Allentown in 1904, and after carying on the coal business there for another year, he retired. He was reared in the Lutheran faith, but later in life became a member of the Reformed Church. He served the Lowhill church as a deacon and since his removal to Allentown, has served as an elder in the Salem Reformed Church. He possesses a pleasing personality, is well read, and was a successful business man.

In 1858, Mr. Kressly was married to Sallie A. Hunsicker, daughter of Reuben Hunsicker of Heidelberg. She died August 26, 1905, aged 64 years, 10 months, and 11 days. She is buried at Easton, Pa. Their children were: James F. and H. O., both of Easton, and Mary J. (wife of Marcus B. Lambert, of Jamaica, Long Island).

Adam Kressly, son of Adam, was born in Heidelberg, May 1, 1804, and lived several years in the extreme western end of the Kistler Valley, then bought a farm at "Saul's Head" on the north side of the Schochary where he lived for 41 years. He was a stone-mason for more than 40 years; and his superior workmanship is reflected in the wall of north-east corner of the Heinrich Schütz stone house, built in 1825, a photograph of it appearing elsewhere in this history. He helped to build the third Ebenezer church at New Tripoli in 1824. He was a member of the Jacksonville church and served it officially.

His wife was Elizabeth Follweiler who died aged 46 years. They are buried at Jacksonville. Their children were Lucy, (who died unmarried); Fianna, (married Samuel Everett, whose wedded life was 55 years); Senia, (married Elias Arndt); Rebecca, (married Thomas Everett); David; Daniel F.; Esther (married Samuel Koenig); Charles, and Amanda, (married John S. Schaffer, of Lynn).

Daniel F. Krassly, was born Dec. 18, 1839, and died at Jacksonville on January 16, 1901, aged 61 years, having operated a planing mill at Jacksonville for many years, giving employment to 14 men. He erected many houses in Lynn, and at New Tripoli, Lynnport and Jacksonville. He was the postmaster at Jacksonville for many years, and was succeeded by his daughter, Mantana, who has served this office until now. He was a deacon, elder and trustee of the Lutheran congregation of the Jacksonville Church, where he and his family were faithful members. His wife was Catharine Yaxtheimer, born in 1840, a daughter of Abraham Yaxtheimer, and their children were: Mantana; Elmer W.; Adaminta,

(married to Oliver Creitz); and Mary, (married to Howard Follweiler).

ELMER W. KRESSLEY, proprietor of the Jacksonville planing mill was born in that village in 1870. At an early age he learned the carpenter trade and planing mill business from his father, who established the business in 1862 and carried it on until his death, when it was continued by his estate until August, 1911, and then the son, Elmer, took it with 14 acres of land which was originally a part of the Daniel Follweiler large homestead. Mr. Kressley is actively identified with the Democratic party, and takes a keen interest in its welfare. He and his wife are Reformed members of the Jacksonville congregation.

On July 16, 1906, he was married to Claire H. Ruttane, daughter of Wilmot S. and Amanda (White) Ruttane, natives of Bellville, Hastings county, Ontario, Canada. Her maternal grandfather was Samuel White who came from Cornwall, England, when 25 years old, and died in 1901, aged 80 years. Her grandfather, Philip Ruttane, was a son of Col. Peter Ruttane, a French Huguenot. The Ruttanes were much persecuted Christians and several of the family were burned at the stake.

Jacob Krassly, second son of the pioneer, was a miller by trade and lived in Lynn. He was born September 5, 1787, and died Aug. 12, 1863, aged 75 years, 11 months, and 7 days. He was married in 1820 to Hannah Moyer, who was born July 12, 1798, and died September 22, 1881, in her 84th year. They were buried at Lowhill. Their children were: Nathan; Polly, (married William Stellter); Mary, (married Jacob Buchman); Elias; Joseph; Lydia, (married Valentine Benner); Jonas; Sarah, (married Stephen Heintzelman); and Jacob.

Nathan Kressly was born March 5, 1809, and died June 19, 1886, in his 78th year. He was a tanner and a machinist and later followed farming in Maxatawny township, Berks county. He and his wife, Abigail Mayer, were buried at the Morgenland church in Lowhill, where his earlier life was spent. Their children were Amanda, (married Wm. Schwoyer); Frank, (of Upper Macungie); Percival (late of Rothrockville, who has a son, Rev. George, now a professor at the Kutztown Normal School); Jane, (married Jacob Weaver); George, (of Farmington); Oliver J., (of Allentown), and Annie, (married Chester Guth). They lived on the homestead of her father.

Elias Kressly, second son of Jacob, was born March 20, 1823, and died March 2, 1885. He was a miller, a mechanic and a millwright in Heidelberg township near Pleasant Corner, where



he had a small farm, upon which in 1876, he built a barn, still standing, and upon which he did nearly all of the work himself. The old mill is going into decay rapidly. He and his family were Lutheran members of the Lowhill church which he served both as deacon and elder.

He was married to Maria DeLong (1822-1896), and they had ten children: Senia, (died young); Elias, (of Wadsworth, Ohio); Hannah, (married Stephen Heintzelman); Willoughby; Reuben; Sarah Alice, (born June 26, 1855, and died December 26, 1911, widow of Jere Hess); Alavesta (died young); James (of Wilkes-Barre); Amanda, (married Benjamin Shoemaker), and Jonathan.

Joseph Kressly, another son of Jacob, was born January 16, 1826, at Lynnville. He was a woodworker and won a wide reputation as a farm implement manufacturer. In 1866 he went to Allentown and for a time conducted a grocery store at the corner of Seventh and Chew streets. In 1886 he became associated with his son-in-law, Albert J. D. Guth, in the ownership and conduct of the Lafayette Hotel, on North Seventh street; seven years later he again entered the grocery business at his former stand and there he continued until sometime before his death.

His wife was Lydia Bittner, who died January 28, 1900, aged 67 years. Their children were: Franklin (who died small); Aquilla, (married Penrose [Guth] Good of Chicago); Alvin, (who died from the effect of a horse-kick received at the City hotel at Allentown); Emma (married first George Grim and second, Henry Nicola, of West Bethlehem); and Howard J., (of Portland, Oregon).

Jonas Kressly was a member of the firm of Kressly Bros., manufacturers of machinery and farm implements, near the Lowhill church which was organized by himself and his brother, Joseph. The latter in 1866 sold his share in the business to his brother Jacob, and moved to Allentown. His wife was Mary, a daughter of Andraes Kline who was a native of Germany. They were buried at the Weisenberg church, and their children were: Sevilla, (married Isador Diehl); Frank, (of Lowhill) and one died young.

JACOB KRESSLY, a retired business man who resides at No. 403 North Tenth St., Allentown, was born near Lyon Valley, Weisenberg, October 12, 1839. When a boy he came to Lowhill and there at the age of 15 years, learned the manufacturing of farm implements. In 1866 he purchased the interest of his brother, Jonas, in the firm of Kressly Bros., extensive manufacturers and widely known dealers in all kinds of farm implements and machinery. The business

was located near Lowhill church and gave employment to a number of persons. In the Centennial year (1876), Mr. Kressly sold his business interests in the firm and moved to Guthsville, Pa., where he manufactured machinery alone for a quarter of a century. He lived in Guthsville for 34 years removing to Allentown in 1908, where he now enjoys the benefits of an industrious and useful career. He is a Republican. He served as trustee three years and as treasurer four years of the Jordan Lutheran Church.

On Oct. 24, 1867, he was married to Maria L., daughter of John Hausman, born April 21, 1847, and their children were:

Alexander H.,	born	Jan. 17, 1869,	
Minnie M.,	"	Dec. 7, 1870,	
John S.,	"	Dec. 22, 1872,	died March 27, 1875.
George R.,	"	Apr. 20, 1875,	" Oct. 24, 1901.
Clyde H.,	"	Aug. 30, 1878,	
Paul E.,	"	Dec. 22, 1882,	
Mabel P.,	"	Apr. 17, 1886,	

Jacob Kressley, son of Jacob, was a farmer of Heidelberg, who died in Nov., 1880, at the age of 70 years. He was married to Lydia Oldt, of Albany township in Berks county, and they had nine children: Fianna (m. Daniel Shoemaker); David (m. Elizabeth Kocher); Moses, Daniel F., Paul (who went to Nebraska and died there Jan. 5, 1913), Benjamin, Reuben, Eliza (m. John Weiss) and Abigail (m. Owen Snyder).

DANIEL F. KRESSLEY, of Slatington, was born Feb. 3, 1846, in Heidelberg township and educated in the public schools, after which he worked on a farm until 1864, when he enlisted in the Civil War, and served as a teamster in the Quarter Master's Department of the 9th Corps, Army of the Potomac, until June, 1865, when he was honorably discharged at City Point, Va. He then returned home and learned the trade of brick layer, and this he has followed until now. He moved to Slatington in 1868.

Mr. Kressley served as supervisor of the borough for 15 years; also was constable for sixteen years, and as a policeman for several years; and he has officiated as the collector of State and county taxes for nearly twenty years.

He is a member of the I. O. O. F.; J. O. U. A. M., and the Knights of Malta, having passed through the chairs of the first two societies. In politics he has been a Republican from the time he became of age.

In Nov., 1866, Mr. Kressley married Mary Ann Snyder, a daughter of John C. and Susana (Bear) Snyder of Lynn township (and a granddaughter of Christian Rex of Heidelberg township); and they have one child, Lewis O. (married to Lucetta Ziegenfuss), of Millport, Carbon county, and they had nine children:

Mabel, Maud, Ella, Katie, Mary and Frederick; three others having died young.

Jacob Kressley was a farmer in Heidelberg township. He married Eva Long, whose parents came from Longswamp township, Berks county. Among their children were: Jacob, John, Henry, Elias, Peter, Maria, Eva, Polly and Kate.

Peter Kressley, son of Jacob, was a laborer in Lynn township, near New Tripoli. He married Elizabeth Ebert, a daughter of Henry Ebert of Lynn township. They had eleven children, viz: John, Lenius, Benjamin, Kate, Polly, Hettie, Amanda, Matilda, Flora, Elizabeth and Louisa.

John Gracely was born Dec. 4, 1836, died on Nov. 28, 1901. He was a Lutheran and is buried at Egypt. He was a blacksmith for seventeen years and a farmer for fourteen years. He farmed at Egypt upon his own 29-acre tract.

He married Louisa A. Kohler, who was born Jan. 21, 1828, died on Mar. 10, 1886. Their children follow: Sophia (m. Wallace Kleckner); Frank O.; Emma (m. Edward Trout); Fianna (m. Amandes Ross); Sarah (m. Milton Blank); Lizzie (m. Alfred Hoch) and Harvey, of Orefield.

Benjamin Kressley, son of Peter, was born Nov. 11, 1841, in Lynn township. From the age of 16 until he was 27 years old, he was hired out as a laborer. He was then married, and moved to Lowhill.

In 1891 he purchased a 12-acre tract near Leather Corner Post, which he now cultivates. In 1868 he married Lydia Ann, a daughter of David Snyder, a farmer of Weisenberg township. They have an unmarried son, Oscar Kressley.

Frank O. Gracely, son of John, is a saddler at Orefield, in South Whitehall. He was born Nov. 14, 1855, at Egypt. At the age of 22 he learned his trade, and has followed it at Orefield up to the present. He built himself a nice home in 1899, and his shop is near the house. He is a Lutheran member of the Egypt congregation which he served as a deacon.

He married, in 1879, Manetta Hallman, a daughter of Albert and Amelia (Knerr) Hallman. Their children are: Raymond N. married to Edna Wotring. He resides in South Whitehall; Warren A., and Millie I.

Oliver J. Kressley, son of Nathan, was born January 14, 1861. In 1880 he came to Allentown and there made cigars for a time and operated a street car until 1890, when he engaged in the contracting business, having formed a partnership in 1907 with William Schwoyer, and employed ten men. He married, first, Emma Conrad in 1881, and with her had three children:

William, (who died aged 21 years); Florence and Stella; and in 1889 married, second, Bertha A. Arndt, of Allentown, and with her had four children: Elmer, Joseph and Oliver, (who both died young), and George.

Bernhard Kressley, third son of the pioneer, was a distiller and farmer in "Der Kressly Stat." He was buried at the Heidelberg church. Among his children were:

Peter Kressley, born Oct. 20, 1800, and followed shoemaking and farming in the extreme lower end of the Kistler Valley, where he died January 22, 1866, in his 66th year. He was married to his cousin, Margaret Kressly, and they were buried at the New Jerusalem church. They had eight children:

Israel,	mentioned later.
Jonas,	lived in Weisenberg.
Jackson,	" in Lynn.
Thomas,	" in Lansford, Pa.
Mary,	married Jonas Gildner.
Angelina,	Daniel Dietrich.
Maria,	" Peter Wessner.
Elvina,	" Josiah Reichelderfer.

Israel Kressley, was born in Lynn, Dec. 3, 1823, and followed carpentering from his youth. In his earlier life he lived at Robert's Corner, later bought a 48-acre farm near the Lynnville church, now owned by William J. Snyder, where he died and was buried in the cemetery adjoining the church. He served the Lutheran congregation there as deacon and elder. His wife was Eliza J. Boone of Schuylkill county, and their children were:

James,	born 1849, died 1861.	Four of these died
Oscar,	" 1851. "	1861. within nine days; and
William,	" 1853. "	1861. the five within four-
Emily A.,	" 1856. "	1861. teen days, from scar-
Jane Amanda,	" 1859. "	1861. let fever.
Dr. John A.,		
Sarah,	married Solomon W. Bachman.	
Emma,	deceased, married Richard D. Kistler.	
Alice,	married William J. Snyder.	

Dr. John A. Kressley, physician and dentist, at New Tripoli, was born in Lynn in 1862. He was educated in the public schools; in select and Summer Normal schools of the township, and at the Millersville State Normal School; then for six years, (1880-1885), he taught school in the old school house in Lynnville. He registered in 1886 at the Pennsylvania Dental College, Philadelphia, and in 1887 was graduated; and in 1889 he was also graduated from the Hahnemann Medical College, Philadelphia. He then located at New Tripoli, where he has since practiced his profession. He is a member of Council No. 204, Jr. O. U. A. M.; and Lodge No. 343, K. G. E., at Steinsville. In the former lodge he passed through all the chairs, was a delegate to the National Funeral Benefit Association, which met at Washington, D. C., also a State Delegate to the convention which met at Pittsburgh, Pa. He is



also a member of the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania State Homeopathic Societies.

In 1890 he married Laura I. Snyder, only child of Elias and Madina (Oswald) Snyder of New Tripoli, Pa., and they have an only daughter, Roma I., who graduated from the township schools in 1907, and from the West Chester State Normal School in 1910, and is now a teacher in Lynn.

John Kressley, fourth son of the ancestor, was a pumpmaker and laborer by occupation and lived in Weisenberg township. His wife was an Ettinger and they had seven children: Jesse, Israel, Timothy, Gottlieb, Gideon, Annie, and Elizabeth, (married Edwin Boger).

Gottlieb Kreasley was born in 1823 and died in January, 1910, aged 88 years, less ten days. He was buried at Grimsville, in Berks county. He was a pumpmaker and farmer in Greenwich township, but his later years were spent at Allentown with his son, Jacob W. His wife was Lovina Yenser, a daughter of Daniel Yenser, of Greenwich, and they had thirteen children: John, Charles, Samuel, Alfred, deceased, Jacob W., Josiah, Elias, Amos, Catharine, Amanda, Emma and Louisa, and one died an infant.

Gottlieb Kressly changed the spelling of the name to K-r-e-a-s-l-e-y.

JACOB W. KREASLEY, a manufacturer of medicines, soaps, oils and powders, with his laboratory at 524 No. 10th St., Allentown, Pa., is a native of Greenwich township, in Berks county, and was born March 10, 1857. He worked upon a farm and in ore mines for some years; and in 1895 went to Allentown to engage in the sale of Bibles and other books, which he sold extensively throughout Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. He embarked in his present business in 1903. He is actively identified with the Mennonite Brethren in Christ, and has done much home missionary work. He is a Bible student, well informed with the beliefs and teachings of the various denominational churches. In 1879 he married Eliza Coconore, of Ohio, and they had eight children: Minnie, James T. C., Oscar, Edna, Bertha, Henry, (deceased), Norman, and Laura.

JAMES T. C. KRASLEY, son of Jacob W., was born in Eden, Wyandotte county, Ohio, June 17, 1882. In 1884 his parents moved to Virginia and in 1888 to Allentown, where James T. C. was employed as a cutter and clerk for a period of thirteen years. He resigned his position March 8, 1909, and became president of the Lehigh Bleaching & Dyeing Co., a corporation which he helped to organize. He served as president for one year and since then has acted as a

director. The company employs twelve persons. In 1909 Mr. Krasley engaged in building operations in East Allentown, now the 14th ward, and until July, 1912, built forty dwelling houses.

Mr. Krasley is a member of St. Albans Commandery, No. 46, Knights of Malta; Franklin Chamber, No. 9, Knights of Friendship; Alton Castle, No. 149, K. of M. C.; Allentown Camp, No. 6428, Modern Woodmen of America; and the Independent Order of Buffaloes. He was married in 1902 to Carrie M., daughter of Amandas and Amanda (Gruver) Bogert, and they had three children: Pearl R., Florence, (who died in infancy), and Theodore A.

#### KRICK FAMILY.

Among the first settlers of Berks county, west of the Schuylkill river, were Francis Krick and his wife, Catharine, who came from the Palatinate in Germany, on the ship, Pennsylvania Merchant, landing at Philadelphia, Sept. 11, 1731. Settling near the Cacoosing creek in Cumru (now Spring) township, Berks county, he became the owner of a tract of 350 acres in five parts. Four of these tracts are still owned by his descendants. The fifth tract is a part of what is now Sinking Spring. When the city of Reading was laid out in 1749 he became one of the first lot owners, having purchased lots number 490 and 491, on King street, now Third street. He was born in 1702 and died April 21, 1784. He and wife are buried on the old Baptist burial ground near the old eight-cornered school-house in the eastern part of Sinking Spring. At the family reunion in 1913 it was decided to remove their remains to the cemetery alongside of St. John's Reformed church, and erect a monument to their memory. In the list of Revolutionary soldiers recorded in the Archives of Pennsylvania, we find the names of the seven sons of Francis and Catharine Krick. Thirteen children are mentioned in his will as heirs.

John, born in Germany, came to America with his parents. He was a blacksmith by trade. He was married but left no children. He died Feb. 20, 1781.

John also came to America with his parents. He saw active service in the Revolutionary War in Capt. Reem's Company of the First Regiment, of Berks militia, in an expedition to Newtown, Bucks county. From the baptismal record of Hains church, we learn that he had the following children: John Jacob, Marian, and John George.

Margaretha, married to Michael Seitzinger. Francis, mentioned below.

George, known as "Blind George," was born May 8, 1737, died Sept. 9, 1825. He was a

taxpayer in Heidelberg township, Berks county, in 1759. A few years later he moved to Cumru, now Spring township, and purchased a farm between Sinking Spring and Reading, where he conducted a hotel for a number of years. With his first wife he had the following children: Jacob, moved to Washington county, Maryland; Elizabeth, married to Martin Forringer, of Center county; Philip; Catharine, married Mr. Grakle; Eva, married Mr. Seitzinger; Polly, married John Mohr; Solomon, moved to Shamokin. George Krick was married the second time to Margaret Seitzinger, born March 6, 1853, died March 2, 1819. The children of this union were: Magdalena, born Jan. 4, 1778, married John Roland; Margaretha, born July 24, 1781, married Jacob Seiders; Sarah, born Nov. 8, 1782, married George Seiders; John, born Jan. 22, 1785; Barbara, born May 10, 1785, married George Rollman, of Dayton, O.; Susanna, born April 26, 1788, married John Grill; George, born Jan. 20, 1790; Hannah, born Sept. 8, 1791, married William Fisher, and William, born July 10, 1795.

Adam, resided in Breckweck township.

Elizabeth, married Philip Workheim.

Philip was captain of the Eighth Company, Berks militia, in the Revolutionary War. This company joined the army after the Battle of Brandywine, and took part in the Battle of Germantown. He was married to Margareta Hain and moved to Cumberland county. Among his children were: Philip, Anna Maria, and Francis.

Maria, married to John Philip Spohn.

Catharine, born Oct. 14, 1749, died Nov. 3, 1811, married Jacob Ruth.

Eva.

Magdalena, married George Hain.

John Peter, born June 27, 1756, died July 31, 1829. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War in the Eighth Company, Sixth Battalion, and saw active service. He was known as "School Teacher" Peter, and taught school near Sinking Spring, and was also teacher and "Forsinger," at the Muddy Creek church. He married Catharine Rader, who was born Aug. 14, 1757, and died March 8, 1831. They were the parents of a number of children.

1. Magdalena, born Sept. 23, 1777; died Oct. 27, 1865; married John Luft.

2. Christiana, born Jan. 11, 1779; married Mr. Rupp.

3. Catharine, born April 20, 1780; married Philip Getz.

4. John, born July 2, 1781; died Jan. 4, 1857.

5. John Jacob, born Jan. 5, 1783.

6. Elizabeth, married John Salladay.

7. Leha, married Frederick Auman.

8. Maria Barbara, born June 9, 1786; married Daniel Neff.

9. Jonas, moved to Hollidaysburg.

10. Peter, born April 1, 1789; died July 19, 1847; moved to Lancaster.

11. Susanna, married Jacob Buchart.

12. Adam, born June 22, 1792; died April 5, 1857.

13. Rachel, born May 16, 1794; died Jan. 18, 1867; married Henry Young.

14. William, born Jan. 23, 1796; died Aug. 10, 1859; moved to Hamburg.

15. Mary, married Rudy Miller.

Francis Krick, third son of the original settler, was born on the old homestead, Nov. 6, 1735, and died April 20, 1814. He was a shoemaker by trade and also conducted the farm which he purchased from his father in 1782. He saw active service during the Revolutionary War, being a member of Capt. Charles Gobin's company. He was one of the nine men who erected St. John's Reformed church, at Sinking Spring. In 1751 he was married to Maria Spohn. She was born Feb. 13, 1737, and died Dec. 11, 1787. The names of his children appear in his will and the dates of birth are given in the family Bible.

1. Catharine, born Dec. 20, 1758; married Wilhelm Brown.

2. Jacob, born Aug. 27, 1760; moved to Richmond, Va.

3. Maria, born July 30, 1762; married William Brown.

4. John Adam, born March 4, 1765.

5. John, born April 11, 1767; died May 22, 1835.

6. Philip, born Oct. 4, 1769; moved to Somerset county.

7. George, born Sept. 8, 1771.

8. Margareta, born April 29, 1773; married William Fisher.

9. Francis, mentioned below.

10. Peter, born Feb. 28, 1779.

Francis Krick, the third bearing this name, son of Francis and Maria (Spohn) Krick, was born on the old homestead, Feb. 8, 1776, and died May 19, 1863. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. He purchased the old homestead from his father, paying for it in bonds, one of which became due every year. The second Francis purchased the homestead from the first Francis in the same way. He was prominently identified with the Reformed Church at Smoking Spring. He was married to Hannah Gehring, who was born June 4, 1774, died Feb. 3, 1842. They were the parents of the following children: 1. Katie, born May 7, 1801, died Nov. 7, 1803; 2. Daniel, mentioned below. Elizabeth, born April



11, 1806; married Daniel Brossman; 3. Sarah, born June 1, 1808, married Israel Grimes; 4. Hannah, born May 9, 1810; married Adam Bohn; 5. Catharine, born Jan. 22, 1812; 6. Maria, born July 20, 1813; married Abraham Breil; 7. Esther, born Nov. 22, 1815; married Peter Hertzog; 8. Jacob, born May 12, 1798.

Daniel Krick, son of Francis and Hannah Gehring) Krick, was born on the old homestead in Spring township, Oct. 28, 1804. When his father died, he purchased one-half of the tract which was secured by his great-grandfather from the Penns. Here he remained the greater part of his life. Shortly before his death he moved with his son, Henry, to a farm in Lower Heidelberg township, near the Cacoosing, where he died, April 16, 1864. He was married to Susan Bohn, a daughter of George Bohn. She was born Feb. 19, 1811 and died Aug. 19, 1887. They had children as follows: 1. Lydia, born May 31, 1835; married William R. High. 2. James, born Jan. 12, 1831; 3. Adam B., mentioned below; 4. Henry, born Jan. 16, 1839; and Mary, born Jan. 6, 1851.

Adam B. Krick, son of Daniel and Susan (Bohn) Krick, was born in Spring township, Oct. 27, 1836. He attended school at Sinking Spring, Reading, and the Hudson river institution at Claverack, N. Y. During his early manhood he followed teaching for five terms, after which he devoted himself to farming which he followed nine years. Meantime he suffered from the results of an accident which occurred in 1852, which culminated in the amputation of a limb in 1873. In this same year he moved to Sinking Spring, where he later embarked in the mercantile business, dealing in flour, feed, and grain, both wholesale and retail. He continued in this business until two years before his death, which occurred March 10, 1904. He always took a deep interest in educational matters and served twelve successive years as school director. Mr. Krick took a very active interest in church affairs, being a member of St. John's Reformed church, which he served as treasurer for a period of thirty years. He also served as township tax collector for a number of years. He was married to Lucy J. Reber, who was born April 13, 1844, daughter of Bennewell B. Reber, son of Conrad, and Sarah V. R. High, daughter of William and Catharine (Van Reed) High. Six children blessed this union: William F., born Oct. 4, 1863; married to Clara Hartman; Daniel B., born March 29, 1865, married to Mary Scheetz; Rev. Thomas H.; Ida R., at home with her mother; and M. Ella, married to Prof. F. P. Miller, now deceased.

REV. THOMAS H. KRICK, son of Adam B. and

Lucy J. (Reber) Krick, was born on the old Krick homestead, near Sinking Spring, Jan. 11, 1868. He was five years old when his parents moved to Sinking Spring, where he attended the public school and later the Charter Oak Academy taught by Thomas J. Oberlin. In the spring of 1885 he entered the State Normal School at Kutztown, graduating from that institution in 1887. In 1887-88 he took the college preparatory course at the normal school and in the fall of 1888 entered Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster; graduating therefrom in 1892, and from the Eastern Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church, in 1895. In 1893 he taught mathematics at the Kutztown Normal School. He received his first certificate as a public school teacher when but sixteen years old. During his college course he specialized in mathematics, taking a special course in astronomy, under Dr. Kershner. He also took an active interest in college athletics, playing on the college foot-ball team for five years against some of the leading colleges and universities of the East. On May 22, 1895, he was licensed to preach the Gospel, by Lebanon Classis of the Reformed Church, and on July 7, 1895, he was ordained to the Holy Ministry by a committee of East Pennsylvania Classis, in Jacob's Reformed church, Weissport, Pa., which congregation he served for a period of six years. During this time a church debt of \$1,500 was raised, the basement of the church remodeled, the membership considerably increased, and the benevolent offerings increased three-fold. In August, 1901, he accepted a call to the Coplay charge, which consisted of the Mickleys and Coplay congregations and Fullerton as a preaching point. Since he became pastor of these congregations, they have made commendable progress. The membership of the Coplay congregation has been increased from 120 to 400 members. In 1907 the congregation erected a fine parsonage and in 1911 the church was remodeled, frescoed, and memorial windows installed. At Mickleys a new Sunday school room was erected and at Fullertown, a congregation was organized which now has a membership of 275. He has also taken a very active interest in the general work of the Church. He filled the office of president of East Pennsylvania Classis, Lehigh Classis, Lehigh Valley Ministerial Association, and secretary of the Spiritual Conference of the Reformed Church. He has been elected to represent his classis on the floor of General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States at Tiffin, Ohio, in 1899, at York Pa., in 1908, and at Lancaster, Pa., in 1914.

For a number of years Mr. Krick has taken a deep and active interest in the history and

genealogy of his own and other families. He traces his genealogy to the following families: Krick, Reber, Bohn, High, Van Reed, Hottenstein, Yost, Bright, Kershner, Stegel, Kissinger, Womern, and Spohn. He has given considerable time in research on most of these families. He is a member of the Pennsylvania German Society, Lehigh County Historical Society, and Berks County Historical Society. He has been elected historian of the Krick, High, and Overholtzer family reunions. On Nov. 21, 1895 Rev. Krick was united in marriage with Jennie P. Hain, daughter of Peter L., and Sue L. (Overholtzer) Hain, of Heidelberg township, Berks county, a descendant of George Hain (Hohn), who donated the land upon which Hains Reformed church is erected. To Mr. and Mrs. Krick two daughters have been born: Marie H., a student in the Allentown College for Women, and Ruth H.

#### KRONINGER FAMILY.

Jacob Kroninger emigrated from the Palatinate and landed at Philadelphia, Sept. 24, 1753, when he was thirty years of age. Shortly after landing he settled in Macungie township, and it appears that he had four sons: Nicholas, Henry, Daniel, and one who was carried away by the Indians. The first two moved to Northumberland county before 1783. Daniel lived in Macungie township, until 1787 when he moved to Weisenberg township, and there carried on his trade as a carpenter in connection with farming. He had six children: John; Peter, who settled in Ohio; Margaret; Susan; and three other sons.

John Kroninger, son of Daniel and grandson of the immigrant, was born in Macungie township Oct. 4, 1775. His parents moved to Weisenberg township when he was twelve years old and there he was reared on a farm. He subsequently lived on a farm in Greenwich township, Berks county, now the property of John M. Frey. He married Margaret Kob, and they had nine children: Daniel; Jonas, who died in childhood; Maria, married (first) Abr. Merkel, (second) Chas. Ott; Catharine, married Jacob Lutz; John, who settled in Ohio; David, married (first) Maria Gruber, (second) Harriet Heiser; Joseph, who settled in Iowa; Lydia; and John Peter, who lived near Grimsville, and died there in 1906, aged 82 years. He died in 1853, aged 77 years. His wife died in 1864, aged 84 years.

Daniel Kroninger, the eldest son of John, was born in 1803, and reared on a farm, and he carried on farming until he died in 1884. He was married in 1824 to Esther Reifinger, born 1808, died 1901, and they had eleven children: Florinda, married Samuel Leshner; David J., married

Catharine Kunkel; Brigetta, married J. P. T. Haas; Daniel P., married Lovina Schwartz; Noah, married Hettie Dunkel; John; Sarah, married Daniel Saul; Annie, married Augustus Bortz; a son, who died in infancy; Esther; and Amelia, married James Trollinger.

John Kroninger, son of Daniel, was reared on a farm. He carried on farming for a time and for the past twenty years has assisted his son, Edward, in the cultivation of flowers. He was married to Sarah Schmink, and they have seven children: Edward, Laura, Daniel, Regina, Mame, Amelia, and Stella. They reside in Salisbury.

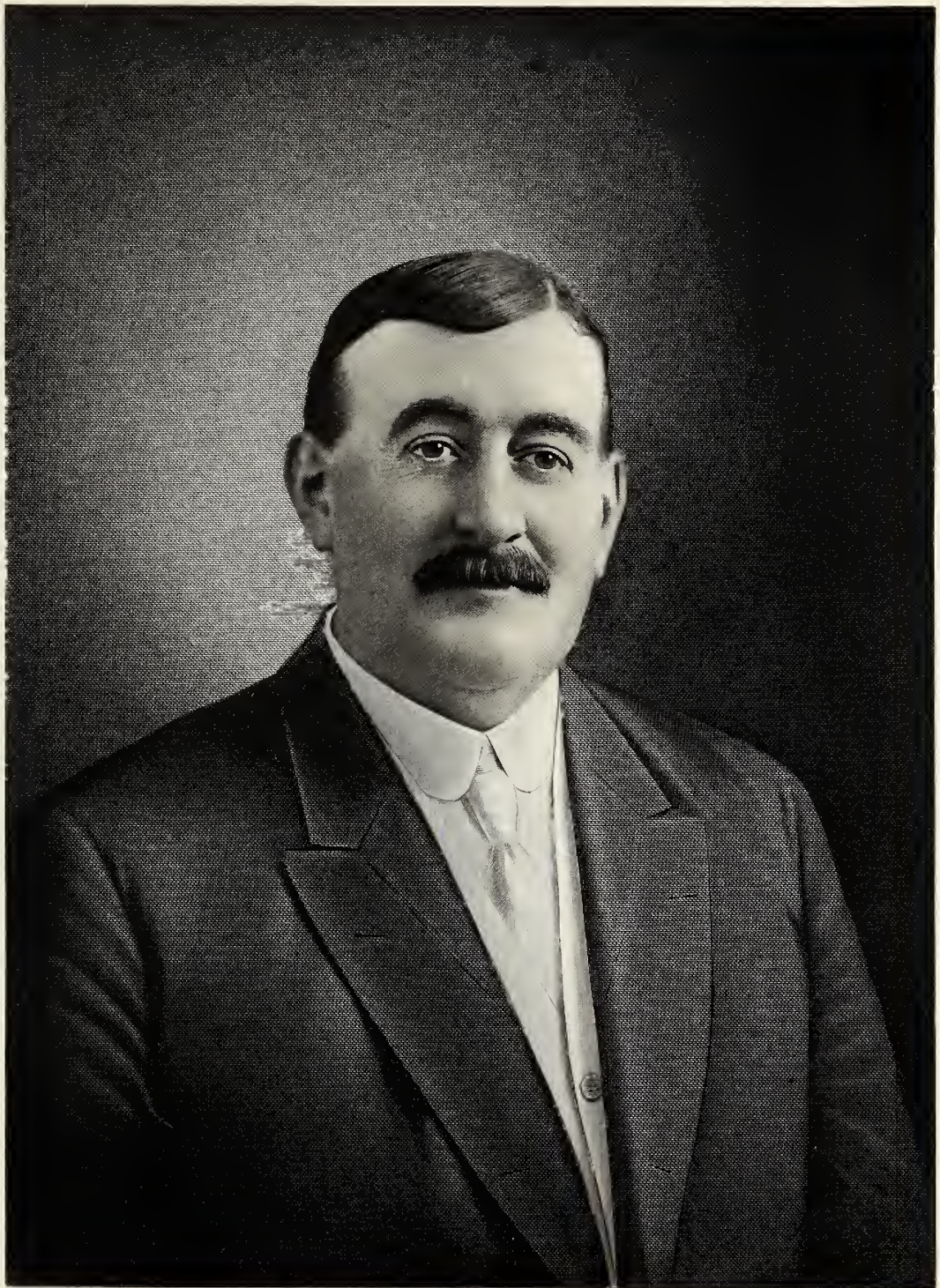
EDWARD N. KRONINGER, son of John (last above-named), was born Dec. 29, 1869, in Maxatawny township, Berks county. He attended the public school of the township, and of the borough of Topton, and also the Keystone State Normal School. He was employed in a store at Kennett Square until 1889; then he embarked in the business of cultivating flowers at Fogelsville, and continued there three years, when he established green-houses in Salisbury township, on the road to Emaus, at the southern extremity of Allentown, and there he has conducted the business in a successful manner until the present time, directing his attention more especially to the production of large quantities of carnations and the raising of tomatoes. His large green-houses cover an area of 120,000 square feet.

In 1896, Mr. Kroninger was married to Carrie A. Hendricks, daughter of Wm. F. and Ellen (Rhoads) Hendricks, of Allentown, and they have four children: Miriam H., Paul H., Luther H., and Edward N. They are members of St. John's Lutheran church, of Allentown. He is a member of the Y. M. C. A., and Chamber of Commerce, and also of the American Carnation Society.

#### JOHN JAMES KROMER.

Jacob Kromer, father of John James Kromer, chief engineer of Allentown Water Works, was born in Whitehall township, near the Northampton county line, died aged about 79 years, and buried in Union cemetery, Allentown, Pennsylvania. He was a blacksmith by trade, which line of work he followed in his native township, also in the vicinity of Egypt, worked in the stone quarries, conducted a shop, and was a well-known lime burner of Whitehall. He was a member of the Egypt Lutheran church, and a Democrat in politics. He married Sarah Rinker, of Egypt. Children: William, resides in Perry county, Pa.; Peter, resides in Hokendauqua, engineer on the Lehigh Valley Railroad; Ellen, married Tillman Sensinger, and resides in Al-





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lentown; John James, of whom further; Charles, deceased; Frank, deceased; Alvin, resides in Allentown Osmond, resides in Allentown, an engineer; Robert, resides in Jersey City, New Jersey, an engineer on the Lehigh Valley Railroad; Mary, who is married and resides at Easton, Pa.

John James Kromer was born in Whitehall township, Lehigh county, November 28, 1855. He was educated in the common schools adjacent to his home, and at the age of fifteen years entered the employ of Nathan Peters, at Egypt, as farm boy, and he followed this occupation for two years, at the expiration of which time he entered the employ of the Ironton Railroad as a brakeman, and pursued this line of work for a number of years. In 1873 he took up his residence in Allentown and secured employment as brakeman with the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, and was thus employed for a period of six years. He then went to the Perkiomen District as a fireman, serving in that capacity until 1888, when he was promoted to the position of engineer on the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, running between Allentown and Perkiomen Junction, and so continued until 1897, when he returned to Allentown and accepted a position with the Allentown and Reading Traction Company as their stationary engineer at Griesemersville, holding this position for six years. In April, 1906, he entered the employ of the Allentown City water works as an assistant engineer, and on August 1, 1911, was promoted to chief engineer, having full charge of the works, having under his personal supervision sixteen hands. His promotion is ample evidence of his ability and the respect in which he is held by his superiors. Mr. Kromer is a member of the Lutheran Church, and a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Kromer married Anna Sheets, daughter of Henry Sheets, and resides at No. 428 North Seventh street, Allentown. Children: Lucy, deceased; Emma, Julia, Anna, Maurice, William, Clara, Frederick, and Leonard, deceased.

#### KRUM FAMILY.

Anthony Krum, one of the pioneer settlers of Heidelberg township, now Lehigh county, made his last will and testament, Nov. 21, 1764, and it was probated Oct. 18, 1765. The will mentions that "my son, John Henry shall have my Sermon Book." It also refers to other children, but does not mention their names. He makes ample provision for his wife, Gertrude. Other children of this pioneer were: George, Johannes, Christian, and Frantz. George Krum was one of the active men in the building of Heidelberg Church in 1744; and was one of the elders of the

Reformed congregation. The names of Johannes, Christian, and Franz Krum were among the heads of families who built the second Heidelberg church in 1757. The *Pennsylvania Archives* record that Johannes, Christian, and Frantz Krum were soldiers in the Revolutionary War from Heidelberg township, Northampton county.

In 1790, John Krum was the head of a family in Heidelberg, consisting of six male members, five of whom were over sixteen years of age; and Christian Krum's family of five persons show two sons under the age of sixteen years. The tax list of Heidelberg in 1781 contains the names of only John and Christian Krum; that of Frantz Krum does not appear in any of these records after the Revolutionary War. The tax list of 1812 contains the names of Christian, John, John, Christian, Michael, and Peter Krum. The last two were the single men. The name K-r-u-m in the old records is spelled with a "C" and "G" instead of the "K" and quite frequently the letter "o" is used instead of the "u." During the early part of the eighteenth century a number of the members of this family removed from the township.

Christian Krum married Maria Neff. They had a daughter, Elizabeth, born on Nov. 28, 1779. Their son, Conrad, was born on Dec. 16, 1776. He married M. Elizabeth Schneider, and lived with her fifty-nine years. She was born on Sept. 18, 1784, and was a daughter of John George Schneider. Her death occurred Aug. 12, 1861, in her 77th year. He died May 28, 1860, in his 84th year. Both are buried at the Heidelberg church. They lived in the vicinity of the old Lehigh furnace. He was a wood-chopper and went to the mountains bareheaded almost daily to cut wood. Their children were: Jonas, who lived at Saegersville; Henry; Isaac; and Peter K.

PETER K. KRUM, son of Isaac, was born Nov. 18, 1846. He began farming in 1871 in Washington township. He however, lives upon that farm since 1863. He retired in 1911, and was succeeded by his son, Henry O. His farm is 80 acres. He and family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Unionville church. In 1873 he married Anna Snyder, daughter of John Snyder, late of New Tripoli. Their six children were: Amandas F., married Sophia Heintzelman; Mary A.; Emma; Frank P.; Rosa A.; and Henry O., married to Annie Peter.

Peter Krum, of the third generation, lived along the mountains in Heidelberg township. He died in West Penn township, Schuylkill county, while residing with his son, Jesse, with whom he spent his last years. He lived to the age of 82 years and is buried in West Penn township. He was a stone mason by trade and a member of

the Reformed Church. His wife, Barbara Snyder, died about 1836. She is buried at Heidelberg church. Their children were: Jesse; Lovina, married Joshua Danah; Elizabeth, married John Benninghoff; Jonas; Jeremiah and Polly, both not married.

Jonas Krum, of New Tripoli, was born in 1826. At the age of sixteen years, he learned the tailoring trade and he followed it in Heidelberg township and at New Tripoli for more than twenty years. He located at the latter place in 1848 and is now its oldest resident. He was married twice: first, Polly Buchman, and they had a daughter, Ariminda J., now deceased; and after the death of his first wife, he married Caroline Ebert, and their children were William Jonathan, Lovina, and James. The last two are deceased.

H. Harrison Krum, son of Jonas, is an aged resident of Emerald, Lehigh county. He was born Jan. 18, 1841, in Washington township, and there he followed farming until 1902, having owned the 87-acre farm which is now owned by his sons, William H. and Henry A. He then moved to Franklin (Emerald P. O.) into his own home. Besides this home he owns other real estate. He built the present brick house upon the farm in 1886. This farm originally was the Conrad Wert homestead. Mr. Krum served as school director of the township; and for a number of years served Frieden's Reformed congregation as one of its deacons. He married Senia Dorward, who was born Sept. 14, 1840. Their children were: Agnes L., married H. M. Smith; Martha J., died in 1886, aged 21 years; Oliver A., accidentally killed in the slate quarry; William H., Henry A.; Henrietta E., married to Victor Dilliard; and Calvin, who died in 1893 in the 14th year of his age, within 24 days of the death of his sister, Agnes.

WILLIAM H. KRUM was born on his father's farm, March 29, 1869. He did much hauling for slate companies until in 1892, when he and his brother, Henry A., purchased the homestead farm which is valuable property for slate and farming purposes, and he then operated the place. He is active in church and Sunday school work. He has been organist of the Rextown Union Sunday school since 1901, having also played the organ in the U. E. Sunday school at Emerald for many years. He and family are members of the Reformed congregation of the Frieden's church. Socially he is a member of Camp 419, P. O. S. of A., Slatington. Politically he is a Republican. He has served as a school director of Washington township since 1906. On Oct. 18, 1902, he married Katie Hartline, daughter of Elijah Hartline, and they have two children: Hilda M., and Walter H.

Henry A. Krum was born on his father's homestead, Oct. 24, 1872. His early life was spent upon the farm, then the slate quarries, and later in hauling for slate companies. He is unmarried and has his home with his brother, William H., jointly owning the homestead farm. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the P. O. S. of A., both of Slatington. He is an officer in the former lodge.

JONATHAN J. KRUM, of Allentown, was born at Neffs, Lehigh county, March 17, 1871, son of Lewis Krum, a resident of Neffs, and grandson of Isaac Krum, born April 14, 1814, who resided in Whitehall township for six years and from there moved to Lowhill in the spring of 1848, where he died, Nov. 22, 1848, in the thirty-fourth year of his age. His wife, Julianna (Handwerk) Krum, bore him three children: Lewis, aforementioned as the father of Jonathan J. Krum; Sallie, who became the wife of John Hess; and Peter K.

Jonathan J. Krum attended the schools of his native place, and then learned the hardwood finishing trade, which he followed for a number of years until obliged to relinquish the same on account of impaired health. He then engaged in the produce business, continuing for two and one-half years, and in 1891 began trading in horses, from which he derived a goodly income. At different times he was the proprietor of the hotel at Levans, and at Chapman, Lehigh county, a hotel located on North Seventh street, Allentown, and the Fair Ground Hotel, which he conducted successfully for five years. After his retirement from the hotel business, he accepted the superintendency of the Eagle Cigar Box factory, but after several years' service he again was compelled to resign, owing to the condition of his health. In 1909 he turned his attention to the real estate business, and in 1912, in partnership with William P. Deibert, erected a number of houses, which they disposed of advantageously. In 1913 Mr. Krum purchased the E. N. M. Minnich bakery on Turner street, Allentown, which he conducted for a short time during 1914. For many years Mr. Krum was actively identified with the Franklin Fire Company, of Allentown. He is a member of the Peters' Defiance Council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, at Best Station; Schnecksville Lodge, No. 192; Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Lodge No. 110, Fraternal Order of Eagles, of Allentown.

Mr. Krum married, Oct. 15, 1892, Cora E. Bachman, daughter of Amanda and Madina (Peter) Bachman. Children: Clayton L., who graduated from the Allentown high school in 1912; and Theodore A.



KUDER FAMILY.

The pioneer Kuder to come to this country was Hans Peter Kuder who arrived at Philadelphia, Oct. 8, 1737, in the ship *Charming Polly*, Charles Stedman, master, from Rotterdam. It is likely that he came from the province of Wurtemberg. How many children he had is unknown. However it is supposed that the John Kuder killed in the battle of Germantown, in 1777, was one of his sons, as well as Captain Valentine Kuder, who was granted by the legislature, 400 acres of land in Bucks county in remuneration for his services in the Revolutionary War.

Uncertain as the early facts may be, it is known however that the Lehigh county Kuders are descended from the John Kuder, who lost his life at Germantown. Amongst his children was a son named John, who settled in the lower end of Lehigh county during the first decade of the previous century. This John Kuder, according to the testimony of his children, during his childhood "was bound out to serve his time" with a family in New Jersey. The supposition is, that his mother, widowed by the war, felt unable to raise the family, the size of which there is no means of ascertaining now, and thus arranged for the care of this son. It is known that after he had reached majority, he returned to Pennsylvania with a wife, *nee* Mimm, that he had lost the sight of one eye, and that, inasmuch as neither he nor his wife could speak German, they were designated as the "Irish Kuders" by the neighbors in their new home. He died about 1848, aged 73 years.

At Trexlertown, where John Kuder located no later than 1800, were born by the first wife: Joseph, Solomon, John, Charles, William, Lydia, Mary, Hannah, Elizabeth and Sallie. Being married a second time to a widow, Mrs. Keck, there were born Michael, George and Catherine. Of these children, Joseph, who was born Dec. 1, 1800, and was married to Anna Steffy (Stephen); moved to Central New York, and from thence in 1853 to Wisconsin, where he died in 1884. He had thirteen children, some of which remained in New York, the rest accompanying the father to Wisconsin.

Solomon will be taken up later. John, mentioned below (married Anna Stern and had these children: Owen, John, Tilghman, Eliza, Amanda. Charles Kuder moved to Tiffin, Ohio. William; Michael Kuder (married to Caroline Scheirer); George; Lydia (married a Mr. Desch); Mary; Hannah (married Dewald Kuntz); Elizabeth (married George Kaull) Sallie (married Reuben Schadt); Katherine (married Tilghman Doll).

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Solomon Kuder, son of John, was born at Trexlertown, June 5, 1806. During his youth he learned the trade of weaver and dyer, and also spent some time in New Jersey, where he learned sufficient English to enable him to take charge of an English school in his native township. He was married to Sarah Haines after which he continued to prosecute his trade. About 1848, he moved to Reading, Pa., where he kept a store for several years, but subsequently abandoned it and took the position of weigher of the iron-ore, which began to be mined at and in the vicinity of Trexlertown. His children were: Sarah Amanda, deceased; Joseph Solomon, born 1835, studied medicine in Jefferson Medical College, married Adalind Hoffman, daughter of Dr. Charles Hoffman, of Reading. Several children were born to them, but only one, Eugene, grew up. When the war broke out, he moved to Terre Haute, where he joined a company as cook, from which his ability however soon caused him to be promoted. He enlisted in the 11th Ind. Regt., Volunteers. Went to Mississippi under Lew Wallace. At the Battle of Pittsburg Landing was a lieutenant. The superior officer being sick he led the regiment. Finally became a surgeon. His last letter stated that he was sick in a blacksmith shop in a Louisiana Bayou. William Henry, born Aug. 30, 1838, became a carriage builder and dentist. Married to Levina Lutz. For a long time lived at Iron-ton, where he was engaged in the grain-business. Subsequently moved to Norristown. Frank Harrison, Jane Elizabeth and Annie Maria, twins, the former married to A. F. Schick, merchant tailor, of Allentown, the latter died January 10, 1901, unmarried. Solomon Kuder, died Jan. 15, 1886.

Frank H. Kuder, Sr., musician, son of Solomon Kuder, was born at Trexlertown, Jan. 13, 1841. His early education was received in the public schools of his native village and Reading, to which his family removed during his youth. At an early age, he showed an aptitude for music, and at the age of eleven his father started his musical education by giving him instructions on the violin. Afterwards he was placed under other instructors, including Enoch Harwick, Prof. Foust and Thomas O. Merio, of Philadelphia. During the time he studied the violin, he also took up the study of the organ under Prof. Foust, completing that part of his musical education under the late Prof. C. F. Hermann, of Allentown. Wind instruments, he studied under Frederick Bankhart. At the age of fifteen, he began to teach on the violin, organ, piano and brass instruments, continuing to the present time. He instructed bands at Catasauqua, Fogelsville,

Trexlerstown, Maxatawny, Fleetwood, Kutztown, Virginsville, Pennsburg, Germansville, Windsor, Grimmsville, Albany, Alburtis, Macungie, Chapman's Station, Seipstown, Heinley's, Mertztown, New Tripoli and Rittersville. Prof. Kuder served as organist and choir-master of St. John's Reformed church, Fogelsville, since 1874, and of the Trexlerstown congregations since May 28, 1860. He also served as school director for three terms and was notary public for eight years. On October 13, 1864, he was married to Keturah E. Fogel (born July 9, 1845—died May 25, 1908); daughter of the late Solomon Fogel, the issue being: Edwin S., born July 13, 1865 (married to Annie L. Findlay, have a son, John H., born July 1, 1903), and Frank H.

FRANK H. KUDER, JR., son of Frank H., Sr., was born at Fogelsville, Pa., April 18, 1875. He attended the public schools to the age of eighteen, when he began to teach. He also attended the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, graduating therefrom in 1899. Since then he has been teaching in Upper and Lower Macungie townships. He studied music first under his father, later under Prof. Hermann.

Serving as assistant organist of Lehigh Church from May 26, 1895, he was elected to the position of organist on March 27, 1896, and has filled the position ever since. In politics he is a Republican, a member of the Lutheran church, and fraternally is connected with P. O. S. of A., K. of M., and F. & A. M.

On Nov. 29, 1900, he was married to Florence E. (b. Oct. 22, 1879), daughter of George W. Ruth, the issue being Ruth K., born Dec. 29, 1906. His address is R. D. No. 1, Macungie, Pa.

John Kuder, son of John, lived on a small farm near Macungie. Besides attending to his small farm he also followed the cooper trade. He was a member of the Lutheran church and he and wife are buried at Macungie. He was married to Anna Stern and they had the following children: Amanda, married to John Mohr, lived in Mulberry, Ind.; John T.; Tilghman; Eliza; Owen, lived at Atlantic City, N. J.; and Mary, married to Mr. Keenly.

John T. Kuder, son of John and Anna (Stern) Kuder, was born at Macungie, Nov. 3, 1831. He resided at Trexlerstown for a short time and in 1865 moved to Allentown where he established a tinsmith and stove business at 437 North Second street where he continued doing business until his death, March 20, 1869. He was first married to Maria Gackenbach, who was born in 1839 and died in 1861. To them the following children were born: Elenora, married to Henry Ehrick; Charles V., of Chicago,

and Isador of Allentown. Mr. Kuder was married the second time to Caroline Becker, a daughter of Benjamin and Hannah (Dorney) Becker. She was born Oct. 16, 1839, in Upper Macungie and now resides in Allentown. The children of the second marriage were: Millard A.; Iretta, married to Edwin Horne, and Susan C., married to George F. Butz.

MILLARD A. KUDER, son of John T., was born near Trexlerstown Nov. 22, 1862. He received his education in the public schools of Allentown. For some years he worked in a shoe factory after which he learned the baking trade. In 1886 he entered the employment of the Allentown Manufacturing company and remained with them until 1903, when he engaged in the selling of coal and building material at 330 Gordon street. He is a member of Bethany United Evangelical church of which he is a trustee since 1908. He is affiliated with the following fraternal organizations: Jordan Commandry No. 102; Knights of Malta; Allen Lodge No. 71, I. O. O. F.; Unit Encampment No. 12; Jordan Council No. 746, J. O. U. A. M., and the Brotherhood of America.

In 1884 he was married to Delila Ross, a daughter of Jacob and Isabella (Kohl) Ross. She died Feb. 13, 1894. They had two children, Edwin H., bookkeeper, of Allentown, and Rev. Alfred M., a minister of the Methodist Church. Mr. Kuder was married the second time to Minnie J. Seip, a daughter of Reuben Seip.

MILLARD J. KUDER was born near Shimersville in Upper Milford township, Sept. 2, 1877. His grandfather, Michael, resided at Wescoesville and was an iron ore miner. His father, Benjamin, resides near Wescoesville, where he now conducts a truck farm. He was employed as engineer at the following places: Iron ore mines at Shoenersville; Bethlehem Steel Company; Atlas Cement Company, Northampton; Wahneta Silk Company, Catasauqua; and Laux Creamery Company. He married Mariah, a daughter of Jacob Wetzel, of Wescoesville. This family was blessed with three children, viz: Clinton, at home; Millard J.; and Edgar, engineer at Trexlerstown married to Merniva Krock. Millard J. Kuder attended school in Upper Milford township and started to work at the Bethlehem Steel works at the age of 14 years and continued there five years. He learned silk weaving at the Unicorn Silk Company, Catasauqua, and remained with this company five years, and with the Wahneta Silk Company one year. In 1903 he became the chief engineer for the Laux Creamery Company and has filled this position ever since. He is a member of the Trex-



lertown Lutheran church, K. of G. E., and A. O. S. E., No. 15. On April 30, 1899, he was married to Alice M., a daughter of Frank and Rosa (Schreiber) Krock, of Krocksville, Upper Macungie township. Five children were born to them: Clayton, born Sept. 13, 1909; Frankline B.; Harvey; Raymond; and Clinton. The last four died in infancy.

#### WILLIAM A. KUHNSMAN.

Benjamin C. Kuhnsman, son of Charles, lives at Best Station, Lehigh county. He was born in Lowhill, Nov. 30, 1865, and at the age of nineteen years, learned the blacksmith trade, which he has followed until now. He is a Republican. In 1907, he was elected a school director of Washington township. He was employed for sixteen years by the Carbon Slate Co., but since January, 1908, has been in the employ of the Highland Slate Co. He and family are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg Church.

He married Catharine Peter in 1888. Their children are: Oliver and Mamie (both deceased), Flossie, Earl and Dred.

William A. Kuhnsman, son of Charles, is the superintendent of the Big Franklin Slate Co., at Emerald, Pa. He was born in Lowhill July 1, 1872, and at the age of twelve years, was put to learning the blacksmith trade and this he followed for twenty years. He became an employee of the Big Franklin Slate Company in 1892, and on Aug. 1, 1909, was promoted to the superintendency of this large and successful plant, which employs sixty men. He and family reside at Emerald. They are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg church. He is the chaplain of the J. O. U. A. M., member of the P. O. S. of A., and of the K. G. E. He is the Republican member of the county standing committee since 1905 from Washington township.

On July 12, 1890, he married Emma Oswald, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Shirey) Oswald. Their children are: Charles S. (of Allentown, Pa.), Florence M., Belva E., Ernest W., Stewart J., and Elizabeth M.

Martin E. Kuhnsman, son of Charles, was born in Lowhill, Aug. 22, 1875. At the age of fourteen years he learned the blacksmith trade, and he has followed it to this time. He established his present shop in 1904 at Best Station, in Washington township, having previously carried on the business in his father's shop, which stood near by. He is a member of the J. O. U. A. M., P. O. S. of A., and the K. G. E. lodges. He and family are Lutheran members of the Heidelberg Church, which he served as a deacon.

On December 30, 1899, he married Annie Burkhard, daughter of Francis and Ella (Anthony) Burkhard, of Carbon county, and they have two children: Malcolm O., and Ella M.

#### KUNKEL FAMILIES.

The Kunkels were among the pioneer families in Albany township, Berks county. The family was founded there by (I) Georg Kunkel (also spelled Kuncell and Kungel), a native of Germany, who located there some time prior to 1754, and it appears that he reared a large family. In Rupp's History of Berks County his name appears on the list of taxables of 1756, as "George Kuncell." In 1759, according to Montgomery's History of Berks County (1886), his name is listed as George Kungel; in this latter year he paid a tax of £6. At the Kunkel homestead is an old grandfather's clock that bears the date of 1772. It was brought into the house at the same time the house was being built, and is the workmanship of George Miller, of Germantown. It has kept good time all these years. On the brass face appear the letters "I. G. K." Georg Kunkel lived where now resides Nathan Kunkel, near Wessnersville. This tract has been in the family name since about 1754. Georg Kunkel was a farmer, and since his time his farm has been divided and sub-divided. His land at one time included all the upper end of Stony Run. He is buried at Wessnersville. His children were: George and Peter.

(II) George Kunkel, son of Georg, had these children: Andreas, Jacob, George Michael, John Adam (born May 8, 1792, died April 11, 1860; m. Magdalena, born Aug. 17, 1792, died May 19, 1844), and Sally (m. John Wagaman).

(II) Peter Kunkel, also son of Georg was born Dec. 20, 1774, in Albany township, died Oct. 28, 1830. After his marriage he moved to Lynn township, Lehigh county, where he engaged in farming and also operated a distillery on his farm. Later he lived near Wessnersville, where he owned a tract of 275 acres, which is now owned by a descendant, Charles Kunkel. All the land in upper Stony Run was once in the name of his family. In 1797 Peter Kunkel married Maria Magdalena Rausch, born Nov. 10, 1778, died April 12, 1846. They had fourteen children, eleven of whom survive their parents (sixteen grandchildren also surviving). Among these children were: Daniel, David, Andraes, Benjamin, Joseph, Peter, Polly (m. Jacob Elbert), Catharine (m. John Dietrich) and Sophia.

(III) George Michael Kunkel was born Aug. 4, 1789 and died Jan. 25, 1862. After the death of his father, he became the owner of the old homestead, which was divided into three farms,

George Michael receiving 155 acres, John Adam sixty acres, and John Wagaman twenty acres. He married Regina Krohn, who was born June 11, 1790, and died Jan. 12, 1866. They had children: Benjamin, born 1810, died 1890; Elizabeth, born 1815, died 1884; Salome, m. Adam Lynn; Polly (Maria), born 1825, died 1874; Samuel, born Nov. 1, 1827, died April 2, 1903; Nathan, born May 8, 1830, is living and the owner of the old homestead; Michael born Sept. 9, 1835, died April 2, 1907. Salome was the only one of this family who married. The other six children remained unmarried and lived on the farm now occupied by Nathan Kunkel, who is now the only survivor of the family. He erected a large monument in the cemetery at Wessnersville, where so many of his family rest.

(III) Joseph Kunkel (son of Peter, who was the son of the pioneer) was born in Lynn township, Lehigh county. In the spring of 1825 he moved across the line into Berks county, settling in Albany township, where he owned and operated a grist and saw mill, and followed farming. His mill stood on the Stony Run, and to this day is known as "Kunkel's Mill." He was succeeded in the ownership of this property by his son, Reuben. To the mill property belong forty-one acres of land. He married Catharine Snyder, a native of Lynn township, and they had twelve children, namely: Peter (1817-1843, m. Sarah Schollenberger), Magdalena, Nathan, Joseph, Daniel S. (Sept. 25, 1832-1900), Jeremiah (1834-1904, conducted a hotel at Wessnersville many years, m. Sarah E. Holben, 1847-1900), Jacob, Catharine, Reuben (1836-1908), Sarah, David (a farmer in Albany, m. Seniah Stump and died in July, 1903), and Rebecca (m. David Heckert and had one son, Milton). All are deceased. The father, Joseph Kunkel, died March 10, 1866; the mother died May 21, 1885.

(III) Andreas Kunkel (son of George, and grandson of the pioneer) was born April 20, 1781, in Albany township, Berks county, where he lived until his removal to West Penn township, Schuylkill county. There he farmed until 1814 when he traded farms with Peter Ebert who lived in Heidelberg township, Lehigh county, and on this farm (near Germansville) he lived until his death. A log house, built in 1780 by an Ebert, is still standing.

Mr. Kunkel was a cooper and his shop stood where the present residence of Wilson Kunkel now stands. He and family were Lutheran members of the Heidelberg Church, which he served as an elder for many years. He was the constable of Heidelberg for many years. In appearance he was a tall, well-proportioned man possessed of great strength.

He was married to Maria Magd. Schollenberger. She was born January 8, 1777, and died November 27, 1842. He died August 26, 1843. She and her husband are buried at the Heidelberg Church. Their children were: Catharine (m. Daniel Snyder), Lydia, 1806-1883 (m. Christian Schmidt), Polly (died unmarried), Charles, and Andreas (married a Miss Sengel in Heidelberg, then moved to Indiana where he was a farmer), Charles Kunkel (son of Andreas) was born in West Penn township, Schuylkill county, August 15, 1808. When he was six years old his parents moved to Heidelberg township and there he lived until his death. He was the owner of the homestead and the adjoining farm now owned by Amandus Henry. Besides conducting his farm, he was a cooper. He and family were Lutherans. He was a deacon and an elder of the Heidelberg church where they are also buried.

Rachel Miller, his wife, was born June 21, 1819, and died August 3, 1890. He died January, 1877. They had the following children: Wilson, Joseph, Elemina (m. Joseph Snyder), Frank (of Claussville, Lehigh county), Leanna (m. Willoughby Grim), Sarah Amanda (unmarried and lives with her sister, Mrs. Grim), Henry F. (of New Tripoli), and Maria (who died small).

Wilson Kunkel (son of Charles), farmer on the old homestead in Heidelberg, was born there, January 24, 1844. He worked on the farm for his parents until 1865 and then he began farming the place for himself. In 1870 he purchased the homestead, in area at that time 70 acres, and there he has resided since. He and family are He was a school director of the township for three years.

In 1871 he married Mary E. Geiger, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Rex) Geiger, and grand daughter of Jacob Geiger. They had four children: Lewis O. (who died aged 17 years), Ellen J. (m. D. H. Snyder), Emma E. (m. George A. Kressly), and Charles W.

The son, Charles, is a public school teacher. He was born January 3, 1880 in Heidelberg township, brought up there and educated in the common schools and in the Allentown Commercial School. In 1900 he began teaching in the township named and there he has taught to this time.

Joseph Kunkel (son of Charles) was born in Heidelberg, March 20, 1845, and he died there upon his 52-acre farm September 8, 1908. He was a wheelwright and he followed that trade from the time that he was a young man until his death. He had a shop on his farm, situated in the central part of the township.



In June, 1873, he married Senia Geiger, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Rex) Geiger. Their two children are still at home with their mother on the farm: Eleanora, and Elmer W.

The son Elmer was born October 31, 1888. He attended the township schools and the Summer Normal School at Schnecksville. In 1907 he was first licensed to teach school and he has taught every term to this time.

George Kunkel lived for a time in Lower Saucon township, in Lehigh county, and while there married Sarah Dotterer. They moved to Polk township, in Monroe county, Pa., settling on a wild tract of land about half a mile from Kresgeville and on this land they built the first log house. He cleared the land and they lived there until their death. They assisted in building the Pleasant Valley Church. He died in the year 1855, at the age of eighty-two years, and she died in her ninety-ninth year. Their children were: Abraham, George, Elizabeth (m. Joseph Serfass, who had twenty-one children), Joseph, Barbara (m. Aaron Schaffer), Kate (m. Abraham Christian), Dinah (m. Adam Beer), Mrs. Winter, Susanna (burned to death when she was eighteen years old), Mrs. Smith, Peter, Adam, John, and Sallie (m. George Kresge).

Adam Kunkel (son of George) was born in Lower Towamensing township, Carbon county, Pa., December 22, 1812. He operated a grist mill at Kunkeltown for several years, and then worked as a shingle-maker and lumberman and as such cleared large timber tracts. His latter life was devoted to agricultural pursuits. He died November 25, 1888, aged 75 years, 11 months and 3 days.

On May 10, 1835, he married Mary Berger, of Gilberts, Monroe county. She was a daughter of David Berger, born November 30, 1816, and died May 18, 1889, in her seventy-third year. They were survived by eight children: Joseph, George, Diana, Sallie, Katie, Adam, Reuben and Stephen, and by a number of grandchildren.

John Kunkel (son of George) was born February 14, 1815, and died December 7, 1896. He was a stone mason and farmer; owned the grist and saw mill and the hotel at Kresgeville, and was esteemed as a successful business man and valuable citizen of the community. He served in a number of local offices, and assisted in the erection of the churches at Kresgeville and Gilberts.

He married Sallie Kresge. She was born September 18, 1819, but is still living, being now the oldest woman in Monroe county. Their children are: Kate, William, James, Jacob, George, David, Sarah, Mary A., Ellen and Emma.

REUBEN KUNKEL, of Slatington, son of Adam, and Mary (Berger) Kunkel, was born in Carbon county, Pa., March 18, 1850. He was a drover for a quarter of a century. He had first carried on the business for several years in Carbon county, then located at Slatington, in Lehigh county, where he became one of the organizers of the Slatington Knitting Mill which employs 120 people. For several years he was associated there with F. A. Kreitz in the general merchandise business. He and family are members of the St. John's Lutheran Church which he served as a deacon for four years, and he was treasurer of the building committee that remodeled the present church edifice. He has been a Democrat in politics since his majority, and an influential factor in the party in the upper section of the county. He was a member of the County Standing Committee for six years.

On April 10, 1874, he married Mary A. Kunkel, daughter of John and Sallie (Kresge) Kunkel. They had three children: Elmira and Maggie M. (both dying in infancy), and Francis A. (born August 31, 1890, learned trade of machinist and has his home with his parents).

Adam Kunkel, a farmer, was born July 15, 1750, and died November 24, 1827. He was married to Maria Margaret Giltner, a daughter of John George and Gertrude (Harter) Giltner. She was born May 15, 1753, and died September 21, 1821. During the Revolutionary War he served from Northampton county, Pa., in the Continental Army [See Pennsylvania Archives.] Both of these pioneers are buried in the old graveyard at the Heidelberg Church. They had eight children: Adam, Andrew, Elizabeth, Margaret, Hannah, Maria (born in 1785, died in 1822, married to Andrew Shissler), Magdalena, and Barbara.

Andrew Kunkel, the second son of Adam, was born August 15, 1774. He was married to Magdalena Hunsicker, born May 12, 1781, and died January 7, 1852. They had four children: John Carl, Andrew, Salome and Mary.

John Carl Kunkel (son of Andrew) was born May 9, 1813, and lived at the Lehigh furnace, along the northwest from Slatedale. He had a large tract of land which he farmed. He died January 1, 1847, in his thirty-fifth year. His wife was Hannah Henritzky. They are buried at the Heidelberg Church. Their children were: Samuel, Lewis, Albert, Frank, Tilghman, Lydia and Sarah (who died young).

Albert Kunkel (son of John Carl) was born September 15, 1837, in what is now Washington township. He was a teacher in the public schools of Lehigh county for thirty years. During the Rebellion (1860-1865) he was engaged

in the store and hotel business at Treichlers, now Newhard's postoffice, in Washington township. For six years he was organist of the Lower Townsmensing Church and for four years served a similar position at Weissport, Pa. He lived retired for some years at Newhards on his 16-acre tract and there he died May 22, 1906, in his sixty-ninth year. He was married to Elizabeth, a daughter of John Reber. Their children were: Charles S., and Lillie May (the wife of George Seip).

Charles S. Kunkel (son of Albert), public school teacher of Slatington, Pa., was born at Newhard's, in Lehigh county, June 21, 1862. He was educated in the public schools and in the normal school at Kutztown. In 1882 he was licensed to teach and he has taught thirty-one consecutive terms, all in Lehigh excepting four terms in Northampton county. He is a member of Camp No. 491, P. O. S. of A., of Walnutport, Pa., and of Council No. 68, J. O. U. A. M., of Slatington.

He was married October 6, 1888, to Lucy Roth, a daughter of William and Christiana Ritter) Roth of North Whitehall township. They are members of the Reformed Church.

They have one son, Fred Eugene. Fred Eugene Kunkel was born at Slatington, Pa., September 6, 1889, and there he was educated in the high school, graduating in 1906. In 1907 he took a course in bookkeeping in the American Commercial school at Allentown; and in 1908 the full course in short-hand and typewriting.

On December 8, 1908 he received a civil service appointment to the office of Chief of Staff in the War Department at Washington, D. C., and on June 6, 1911, he was transferred to the Sanitary Division, Surgeon General's Office, War Department, as assistant secretary to Col. J. R. Kean, Medical Corps, U. S. A. In addition to his daily duties he attends a special session of the George Washington University Law Department. He is a member of the Phi Fi Sigma Kappa Society; also of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Nathan Kunkel, of Upper Milford township, Lehigh county, was a farmer, also an expert clock maker and repairer. He married Sophia Wertz. She died at the age of 35. Issue: George M., of whom below, and Dr. Menno Kunkel, who practiced for some time in Allentown, then removed to Lawrence, Kansas, remaining there until his decease. He became expert in the treatment of typhoid fever. He left three sons and two daughters.

GEORGE M. KUNKEL, son of Nathan and Sophia (Wertz) Kunkel, was born in 1845, in Upper Milford township. He attended the

public schools, alternating with work upon the home farm, then became a teacher for several terms in his home town, after which he worked in the ore beds of the neighborhood.

While walking on the railroad tracks, one day, near his home, he found a hat, in which was the name of the owner, Artemus Lee. He returned it to him at East Penn Junction, and Mr. Lee taking a fancy to the youth gave him a position with the P. & R. R. Co., as a clerk, and later he was appointed station agent and yard master at East Penn Junction, where he continued for 28 years. He was then transferred to Perkiomen Junction, where he continued for eight years, where he died, aged 63 years. He was a great reader, and a self-made man. He was a member of the Masonic Order; a charter member of Trexlertown I. O. O. F., and in politics, a Democrat.

He was interred in West End cemetery, Allentown. He married Jan. 4, 1881, Mary M. Ulrich, born at Stouchsburg, Pa., daughter of George Peter and Harriet (Zeller) Ulrich. Issue: Harriet Sophia, born in Allentown, educated in the public schools, High School and the Keystone State Normal School, graduating in 1909; now for the past three years a teacher in the McKinley school, and Luther George Kunkel, born May 17, 1896, now a pupil of the High School, Allentown.

George Peter Ulrich, was born at Stouchsburg, Berks county, died at the age of 63 years. He was a son of Peter and Catharine (Spanbute) Ulrich, of Berks county. He came to America, with seven brothers. He was a farmer, a Justice of the Peace for some years, a deacon, elder, and member of and superintendent of the Sunday school of Christ Lutheran church, of his native town.

He married Harriet Zeller. Issue: William Frank; Mary M. (see Kunkel sketch elsewhere); Aaron; Sarah E.; Emma C.; Harriet M.; Agnes; Cora M.; and Clara M. Ulrich.

#### KUMMERY FAMILY.

1. Aaron Kummery, a member of the Kummery family of Bucks county, Pa., was born in the year 1816, and passed his life near Spinnerstown in that county, where he successfully operated a large farm. In his youth and young manhood he was a member of the Reformed church, and served as a deacon therein for a number of years, but later he became a convert to the Mennonite Church, and after his death, which occurred June 10, 1878, at the age of sixty-two years, three months, and twenty days, he was buried in the churchyard at the West Swamp church of that denomination. Mr. Kum-



mery was married to Miss Elizabeth Stauffer, a daughter of Abraham Stauffer, who survived him just fifteen years and one day, dying June 11, 1893. To them were born seven children, as follows: Edwin, deceased; Jeremiah; Reed, all of Spinnerstown, Pa.; Elam, later Mrs. George Pflueger; John; Henry, died in infancy; and Daniel, who resides near Spinnerstown.

II. John S. Kummery, son of Aaron and Elizabeth (Stauffer) Kummery, was born in September, 1846, and died at Colorado Springs, Col., in the year 1892, and was buried at Pueblo in that state. He was a miller during his youth and worked at that trade, in Lehigh county, Pa., until the year 1868, when he removed to Illinois, and later to Colorado, where he made his home for the rest of his life. Both in Illinois and Colorado, he was employed in clerical positions, and became prominent in politics and held a number of local offices. He was also a prominent fraternity man. Mr. Kummery was married to Miss Levina Stauffer, a daughter of Jacob O. and Elizabeth (Gehman) Stauffer, on Nov. 30, 1862. Of this union was born one son, Harvey S. Kummery, of whom forward.

III. HARVEY S. KUMMERY, son of John S. and Lavina (Stauffer) Kummery, was born June 4, 1868, in Milford Square, Pa. He received his education in the local public schools and later at the West Chester State Normal School, and at the age of sixteen was employed as a clerk in a store in his native town. In the year 1890, he removed to Allentown, Pa., and there secured a position of the same kind with Koch Brothers, for whom he worked for six years. He then went with Drescher and Stephen for a year and a half and then, for thirteen years, was employed by the firm of Breinig and Bachman. In 1909 he affiliated himself with H. A. Butterwick, builder, who has erected squares of substantial residences in the city. He is connected with Modern Woodmen of America and is a member of the First Mennonite church on Chew street, Allentown, and has served as deacon since its organization in 1903. He has also acted as a teacher in the Sunday school connected with the church, of which he was one of the organizers. He conducted a general store for about two years on the corner of Fifteenth and Chew streets, but has recently rented the same.

Mr. Kummery was married Sept., 1890 to Miss Emma M. Stauffer, a daughter of William Y. and Maria (Moyer) Stauffer, of Brick Tavern, Bucks county. Their children are: Otto W., Paul E., Russel, died in infancy; Helen, Esther, George W., Robert W., Richard T., Florence L., and Dorris E. Kummery. Mrs.

Kummery was born at Brick Tavern, March 5, 1868, and departed this life Feb. 27, 1914, and was buried in Greenwood cemetery, Allentown.

#### KUNTZ FAMILY.

The name Kuntz is found in Germany in the 15th century and in Switzerland in the year 1526 there lived a Peter Kuntz, who was one of the first Protestant ministers during the Reformation, and in 1536 was preacher in Berne. The name in America has come to be written in various ways, such as Kuhns, Koons, Kountz, Coons, Cuntz, and many others. The ancestor of this family was John Jacob Kuntz, who arrived at Philadelphia from Rotterdam, Holland, on the ship, Charming Nancy, on Nov. 9, 1738. He was born Feb. 19, 1692, in Niederbronn, Alsace, the son of John George Kuntz, and his wife, Anna Catharine, daughter of John Jacob Miller. John Jacob Kuntz married, in 1719, Anna Margaretha Palsgraff, born Sept. 22, 1695, the daughter of John Jacob and Margaretha Palsgraff. His wife died on the voyage to America in 1738. He married the second time, in 1742, Susanna Klein, born in 1711, the daughter of John Jacob Klein, a weaver of Hangeweiler, Upper Alsace, and his wife, Anna Catharine.

John Jacob Kuntz settled in that part of Philadelphia county, which afterwards became Berks county, shortly after his arrival, and in the Journal of the Proprietary Land Office, under date of March 3, 1739, is this entry: "Hans Jacob Kuhns, rec'd in part for land in Colebrookdale, Five Pounds."

John Jacob and Anna Margaretha Kuntz had six children: Jacob, Bernhard, Christina, Mary Catharine, Anna Barbara, and John George. Christina, the eldest daughter, was married in 1745, in the Oley mountains, by Rev. Muhlenberg, to John Philip Stambach. John George Kuntz, the youngest son, married Elizabeth Margaret Newhard, daughter of Michael Newhard, of Whitehall township. He died in 1766, leaving surviving, his parents, his widow, and five children. His plantation of 125 acres in the Oley hills became the property of his eldest son, George Jacob Kuntz. His other children were: Barbara, Mary Margaret, David, and Frederick.

Bernhard Kuntz, second son of John Jacob Kuntz, was born Dec. 3, 1723, and came to America with his father. In 1745 he was married in the Oley mountains, by Rev. Muhlenberg, to Anna Catharina Eberhard. She was born in 1723 and died Sept. 17, 1780. Bernhard Kuntz married the second time, Anna Oplinger, who was born in Schwartzena, Germany, in 1724, and died Dec. 28, 1804. Bernhard Kuntz died July 14,

1807, aged 83 years, 7 months and 2 weeks. He is buried at the Indianland church, Lehigh township, Northampton county, where are also buried his first and his second wife, and seven of his children.

The first mention of Bernhard Kuntz north of the Lehigh mountains is on March 31, 1746, when his son, John Frederick, born Nov. 16, 1745, was baptized at the Jordan Lutheran church in Whitehall township. His sponsors were Frederick Eberhard, Samuel Saeger, and Anna Elizabeth Eberhard. He located in Lehigh township, where he was assessed £5 in 1761, and in 1768 was assessed for 50 acres of land, three horses and three cows, as well as for a tract of land called "Benninger's Place."

Bernhard and Anna Catharine Kuntz had eleven children:

Frederick Kuntz, who was born Dec. 25, 1746, according to his tombstone, but the church records give his date of birth Nov. 16, 1745. He died March 26, 1832. He was a farmer in Lehigh township, and in the war of the Revolution was captain of a company of militia. His wife, Barbara, was born Jan. 27, 1750, and died Oct. 19, 1828.

Philip Kuntz, the second son, was born April 1, 1747.

Anna Catharine Kuntz, the eldest daughter, was born July 14, 1749, and died Oct. 18, 1809. She married John Saeger, who was born May 3, 1743, and died Feb. 7, 1820.

George Kuntz was born April 1, 1751, and died Oct. 2, 1817.

Elizabeth Barbara Kuntz was born March 18, 1753, and was baptized June 15, 1753, at the "Blue" church, in Upper Saucon township. She died Aug. 23, 1845, aged 92 years. She married, in 1771, Henry Best, who was born March 1, 1748, and died in 1793.

Adam Kuntz was born April 17, 1755, and died April 25, 1777.

Peter Kuntz was born Sept. 12, 1757, and died Dec. 16, 1846. He married, in 1784, Barbara Reing, who was born July 6, 1757, and died Dec. 9, 1846. They had nine children. He had a grist-mill and 40 acres of land in Lehigh township.

Jacob Kuntz was born Feb. 28, 1759, and died Oct. 31, 1841. He married Christina Mosser, who was born June 1, 1764, and died Aug. 8, 1836.

Bernhard Kuntz, Jr., was born Aug. 2, 1763, and died Aug. 16, 1767.

John Kuntz.

Daniel Kuntz.

Jacob Kuntz, sixth son of Bernhard, born in 1753, was confirmed with his brother Peter, in

1774, by Rev. John Andrew Frederici, pastor of the Kreidersville Lutheran congregation. He was sent to school in New York by his father and received a good education. He lived in Lehigh township, where he was a farmer and a tanner, and also justice of the peace for the townships of Lynn and Towamensing, having been commissioned March 28, 1796. He and his wife, Christina Mosser, are buried at Indianland church. They had eight children: John, Joseph, Jacob, Daniel, Mrs. Catharine Mosser, Mrs. Elizabeth Smoyer, Mrs. Salome Stewart, and Mrs. Christina Gross.

John Kuntz, eldest son of Jacob, Esq., was born near Cherryville, Sept. 25, 1790, and died at Lehigh, Jan. 25, 1855. He owned a grist and saw-mill at Lehigh, and married Mary, daughter of Jacob and Anna Mary (Bauman) Snyder. She was born April 3, 1796, and died Jan. 15, 1880. They are buried at Weissport. They had twelve children: Jacob, Thomas, William, Henry, Lewis, John, Benjamin, Simeon, Stephen, Elizabeth, Mrs. Catharine Bowman, and Mrs. Mary Donaughey.

Jacob Kuntz, son of John, married Mary Ann, daughter of Peter and Salome (Wenner) Romig. She was born Jan. 2, 1821, and died April 5, 1883. She married (second) Major Thomas Ruch, of Whitehall township. Mrs. P. Frank Brown was a daughter of Jacob Kuntz.

William Kuntz, son of John, had children: Frank, Alice, Caroline, Elizabeth, Ulysses, Lily, Warren, David, Isabella, Howard, Lorenzo, Henry, Oliver, Oscar, and William.

Elizabeth Koons, daughter of John, was born Aug. 19, 1819, and died August 20, 1897. She married Francis Weiss.

Simeon Kuntz, son of John, had four daughters: Ida, Mrs. Minerva Yundt, Caroline, and Mrs. Lulu Woodring.

Jacob D. Kuntz, son of Jacob, moved into North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, and from that district into Heidelberg (now Washington), township in 1833. He was a miller in Washington township, near Slatington, where he owned and operated what is now known as the "Oswald Mill," but the older inhabitants call it to this day "Kuntz's Mill." He died in the township, and his grandson, John A. Kuntz, states that he was buried in the cemetery attached to Frieden's church, at Hoffman's. He and his family were Lutheran members of this church, and he served various offices. He was one of the building committee in the erection of the church.

Jacob D. Kuntz was married to Rachel Butz, and they had ten children, of whom one son, William, died young. All the others lived, and died







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in Heidelberg township, and their names were: Thomas; Tilghman; Moses; Henry; Rev. David, of Nazareth; Lewis; Elvina, married to William Scheirer; Lucy, married to Thomas Yundt; and Matilda, married to William Miller.

Thomas Kuntz, son of Jacob D., was born Jan. 30, 1821, and he lived near Hoffman's, in Washington township, where he had a farm of 107 acres which is now owned by John F. Peter. He was a Republican in politics and served his district as a school director. He and his family were Lutheran members of the Frieden's church, which he served as an elder. His wife was Rachel Benninger, born in 1821, and died in 1892. He died May 31, 1895. They had seven children: Anderson; James; John A.; Joseph; Wilson; Simon, and Catharine, m. Llewellyn Seip.

JOHN A. KUNTZ, son of Thomas, farmer of Lynn township, was born in Washington township, July 22, 1854, and for a period of 20 years, was connected with the operation of the Slatington Slate Co., where he served as foreman. In 1893 he purchased a farm of 135 acres, (twenty-seven being timber-land), on which he now lives, situated near Rabert's Corner and in 1908 he erected on the place a large modern residence. In addition to farming operations, he has forwarded large quantities of potatoes by railroad since 1904, his average shipments being about sixty cars per season. He also deals in fertilizers, and is otherwise an active and enterprising citizen. In politics he is a Republican, and he has served the district as a tax-collector.

In 1879, Mr. Kuntz, was married to Mary A. Rex, daughter of Nathan and Rufena (Hunsicker) Rex, and they had eight children: Percy, m. Rosa Wertman; Edwin P., m. Sarah Loch; William H.; Carrie M.; Florence F., who graduated from the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, in 1911; Lillie, and Mamie.

#### HENRY KUNTZ.

Henry Kuntz, former burgess and justice of the peace, pioneer slate operator and foremost citizen of Slatington, Pa., was born in North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, Oct. 10, 1830, son of Jacob D. and grandson of Jacob Kuntz.

Henry Kuntz was reared upon a farm in Washington township and there he attended the district schools and later an academy located near Coopersburg. After teaching school for several terms he accepted a clerkship in a general store and by careful attention to the details of the business he won the confidence of his employer who promoted him to the position of manager in 1849, being then only nineteen years of age.

Shortly afterwards he made a journey by stage to Philadelphia, this being his first visit to any city, and while there he purchased a full line of goods for a general store. Upon his return from Philadelphia he engaged in business for himself at Odenwelders, Northampton county, but this did not prove successful, owing to the undesirability of the locality. In 1850, after disposing of his stock of merchandise at a sacrifice, he moved to Slatington, where two years later he started out prospecting and opened the first slate quarry at Slatington. Two other quarries were opened soon afterward and a company was organized under the name of Kuntz, Kern & Company. The company consisted of five members, including Benjamin Kern, a brother-in-law of Mr. Kuntz. Owing to the failure of two of these two quarries, and just prior to the panic of 1854, Mr. Kuntz urged a dissolution of partnership, and after this was carried out, Mr. Kuntz retained the remaining quarry and assumed part of the liabilities. The affairs of the company were speedily adjusted and business was successfully resumed a few years later.

After these quarries were exhausted the lease of another quarry, near Slatington, was purchased. The quarry was located on land owned by Peter Wert and it was operated along successful lines until 1864, when the slate business became very extensive and in that year Mr. Kuntz admitted Philip Wotring as a partner, and they opened up a quarry called the "Eagle." In 1865, he sold his interest in the Slatedale quarry for \$11,000, but eight years later he purchased his partner's interest for \$10,000. In 1880 he effected a lease for twenty-five years of the Big Franklin Quarry, and this he operated successfully for ten years; but earlier for a period of ten years, Mr. Kuhns was associated in the slate business with Alexander Jacobs. They operated in a most satisfactory manner the Washington and the American No. 5. Later Mr. Kuhns alone took the lease of the Big Franklin quarry after it seemed exhausted and he continued to operate it with great profit up to the time of his death, June 8, 1905. The quarry is still operated under the name of the Slatington Slate Company, which was incorporated in 1895, when the daughters were taken into the company they continued to operate it in a successful manner to the present time. Henry Kuntz had effected the mountain quarry lease from Joseph Scheffler, back in 1889, and one year later, (1890) he leased the adjoining property of Isaac Brobst. These large holdings he operated under the title of the Slatington Slate Company which continues to be a leading industry of eastern Pennsylvania. The pay-roll of this company up

to the present time amounts to many hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Kuhns' foresight, his thorough business methods, his ability of a high order, and his unquestioned integrity, had made him a benefactor to his community which reveres and respects his memory to the present day. Aside of his multitudinous business cares he served Slatington borough as a justice of the peace for twenty-six consecutive years, then declining a re-election; was elected burgess of Slatington in 1892; and also served in other minor offices. He was a Republican up to the time of the second election of General U. S. Grant, when he became a supporter of the principles of the Democratic party.

Mr. Kuhns was a charter member of the Knights of Honor; a consistent member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and a superintendent of the old Union Sunday school for a period of fifteen years. He also was a teacher of a large Bible class, and gave with a liberal heart and hand towards all local institutions which were intended for the uplift of the community of which Mr. Kuhns was an integral part.

Henry Kuntz was united in marriage in 1849 to Violetta Kern, daughter of Jonas Kern, who passed away in 1892. About three miles from the "Lehigh Gap," at a point where the famous Warrior's "Path" crossed the stream, and where is now the thriving town of Slatington, Nicholas Kern, as early as 1737, took up about 500 acres of land; he died in 1748, leaving six sons and one daughter. One of the sons, William, bought a considerable portion of this land, whereon he reared a large family of children, among them being John Kern, who was born in 1777 and lived to the good old age of seventy-three years. His eldest son, Jonas Kern, settled at the old homestead and conducted the mill, the property being located in what is now the town of Slatington; he was the father of two children, namely: Benjamin, and Violetta, aforementioned as the wife of Henry Kuntz. Mrs. Kuntz died July 20, 1863, in the thirty-first year of her age, leaving six daughters: 1. Amanda Isabella, widow of Henry A. Kline; 2. Cenia F., wife of W. W. Bowman; 3. Damietta, wife of the Rev. William H. Kuntz; 4. Catherine, wife of Walter B. Grosh; 5. Caroline V., wife of Thomas H. Drake; and after his death, she married the Rev. Charles Sandt; 6. Martha, wife of the Rev. George W. Sandt. In 1865 Henry Kuntz chose for his second wife, Elizabeth Boyer, and they became the parents of two daughters: Irene A., the wife of Dr. F. O. Ritter, of Allentown; and Lilly M., the wife of S. Benjamin Costenbader, of Slatington. Mr. Kuntz died June 8, 1905, and was buried in Union cemetery, Slatington.

#### REV. FRANKLIN S. KUNTZ.

Rev. Franklin Samuel Kuntz is a son of the late Rev. John Jacob Kuntz, whose parents were Samuel P. and Sarah A. (Bertsch) Kuntz, of Treichler's, Pa., and his wife, Sarah A., nee Keck, a daughter of the late Charles and Mary A. (Gangaware) Keck, of Allentown, Pa. He was born at Mulberry, Indiana, where his father labored as pastor (1873-81) among a large colony of persons, who came from Lehigh and adjoining counties of Pennsylvania, and settled in Clinton county, Indiana. When he was six years of age, the family removed to Conyngham, Pa., where his father served a large county parish of eight congregations. After receiving his preliminary education at Conyngham, he entered the Hazleton high school and graduated in the class of 1891. He spent the following year in Muhlenberg College in the fall of 1892. After completing the freshman year, he intermitted his college course for a period of four years, one the Muhlenberg preparatory school and entered year of which was spent in teaching public school and three years in the employ of Coxe Bros., & Co., near Freeland, Pa., whither his father had come in 1893, and served as pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, until September, 1909, when a stroke of apoplexy compelled him to give up active work and which subsequently was the cause of his death on Feb. 27, 1910, at Allentown, Pa. The subject of this sketch re-entered Muhlenberg College in the fall of 1897 and graduated in 1900, receiving second honor in his class. Entering the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Mt. Airy, he graduated in 1903, and was ordained in St. Mark's Lutheran church, Philadelphia, June 8, 1903. After spending one year as pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Millersville, Pa., he accepted a call to Grace Mission, Lehigh-ton, where during a three-years' pastorate a fine church building was erected and a flourishing congregation established. He accepted a call in 1907 as pastor of the Apostles' Lutheran church, in Philadelphia, as the successor of the Rev. G. B. Hancher, Ph.D. On June 29, 1910, he was married to Miss Sadie Treichler Grimley, daughter of Jeremiah M., and Caroline E. (Treichler) Grimley, of Allentown, Pa. On June 21, 1911, a son was born, who bears the name: Jeremiah Franklin Kuntz.

Solomon Kuntz was born in Northampton county, April 11, 1800, and died May 5, 1883. He married Salome Saeger, of Lehigh county, and cultivated a farm in Lehigh township, where he reared a large family of children, among whom were Mrs. F. M. Hower, of Danielsville; Elizabeth; David; and Stephen. David Kuntz was



born Nov. 10, 1834. He was educated in the local schools and at Norristown, and in 1867 became connected with the C. R. R. of N. J., with which he remained until 1884. He married, April 5, 1858, Mary A., daughter of Charles and Mary (Brown) Berlin, and had three children: Elwood M., Wellington W., and Jennie.

Stephen Kuntz, son of Solomon, was born at Treichlers, Sept. 15, 1841. He was reared on his father's farm and acquired an education in the public schools and Freeland Seminary. He purchased a 90-acre farm near his home, which he operated and improved, where he remained until 1886, when he rented the farm and removed to Allentown. There he lived a retired life until his death, April 27, 1910. He was a member of the Allentown school board and a director of the Second National Bank. With his family he affiliated with the Lutheran Church, and in politics he was a Republican.

Mr. Kuntz married, Feb. 2, 1868, Lavinia, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Schadt) Lichtenwalner. Mrs. Kuntz died in 1913. They had four children: Oscar W., in the typewriter business at Allentown, who married Margaret Dinkey, and has two children, Catharine and Stephen; Mary, married Edw. F. Ochs and has two children, Miriam N., and Frances C.; Sarah J., single; and Elizabeth M., married Leonard R. Roth, and has one son, George R. Roth.

William Koons, grandfather of William J. Koons, secretary of the Allentown Shoe Manufacturing Company, was a son of Jacob Koons, who owned and tilled a farm near Berlinsville, Northampton county; he was twice married, the second time to a Miss Buch. William, a son of the second marriage, married Maria Beck and resided with his father on the old homestead. Their children were: Sarah, married Leon Hunsicker and resided at Slatington; Ida; William, married Anna Silfies; Edwin, married Lucy Hoch and resides at Easton; Milton, married Ellen Fenstermaker; and Ellen, married John Jones.

William Koons was born on the old homestead in Lehigh township, Northampton county, Nov. 17, 1841, and was baptized Dec. 19, 1841, by Rev. G. Gerhard; the sponsors were the grandparents, Jacob Koons and his wife, Catharine. William worked for his father on the old farm until the death of his mother, when he learned the trade of a blacksmith. In 1861 he answered the call of his country and enlisted in Company F, 47th Pennsylvania Volunteers, Aug. 21, 1861, and was honorably discharged Sept. 18, 1864. During his service he saw many engagements, in one of which he was wounded in the leg. The principal engagements in which he too part were: St. John's Bluff, Florida, Oct. 8,

1862; Pocotaligo Ridge, S. C., October 22, 1862; Sabine Cross Roads, April 8, 1864; Pleasant Hill, April 8, 1864; Crane River, April 23, 1864; Madison Plain, May 16, 1864, and Berryville, September 5, 1864. At this latter place he was later honorably discharged. On May 18, 1867, he was united in marriage with Sarah Anna Silfies by Rev. C. J. Becker. Mrs. Koons was a daughter of Benjamin Silfies and his wife Lydia Anthony. She was born December 16, 1840, and was baptized by Rev. Mensinger, April 15, 1841. The sponsors were Carl Beil and wife, Sarah.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Koons resided at Allentown, where he was engaged as a blacksmith, and later became foreman at the Stemton Car Works. He died April 11, 1908 at Northampton, formerly called Stemton, of which place he was a highly respected citizen and where he resided for a period of thirty years. He was a member of Fuller Post, No. 378, G. A. R., Catsauqua; Commandery, No. 144, K. of M., and Siegfried Lodge, No. 1026, I. O. O. F. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, having been confirmed by Rev. T. Geissenheimer as a member of St. Pauls Lutheran congregation, Allentown. His remains lie buried in Greenwood cemetery, Howertown. His widow and his two children, William J. and Stella Anna, the wife of Earl T. Diefenderfer, survive him. Mrs. Koons is well preserved for her age and lives with her son-in-law, Mr. Diefenderfer, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this volume. Mrs. Koons is a member of Grace Reformed congregation, Northampton, and takes a deep interest in both the congregation and Sunday school.

WILLIAM J. KOONS was born at Catsauqua, June 23, 1868. He received in his youth a common school education, took a commercial course and then learned the art of telegraphy at the Northampton station. For fifteen years he was employed as a special operator by the Central Railroad of New Jersey, working at points from Mauch Chunk to Easton. In 1901 he accepted the position of cashier for the U. S. Express Company at Allentown, which he served faithfully and well until 1901, when he resigned to become the secretary of the American Shoe Manufacturing Co., at Allentown, of which firm he is a member. In 1895 he married Sadie E. Keiper, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Zellner) Keiper. They have one daughter, Elsie Irene, a student at the Allentown College for Women. Both Mr. and Mrs. Koons are members of Salem's Reformed church and take an active part in all its interests. Mr. Koons is a member of the consistory and a teacher in the Sunday school, and Mrs. Koons is the treasurer of

the Women's Classical Missionary Society of Lehigh Classis.

Abraham Fenstermacher Koons, justice of the peace of Catasauqua from 1874 to 1898, a son of John Kuntz, and grandson of Jacob Kuntz, was born Aug. 18, 1836, at Berlinsville, Northampton county. He received his education in the local schools, and, after working in a grist-mill and country store until 1858, he located at Catasauqua, where he was engaged in the mercantile business at Front and Race streets until 1874. During the Civil War he generously supplied many families of enlisted men from that community with provisions. He was then elected a justice of the peace, and re-elected four times, serving altogether twenty-four years, until his decease in 1898. During this period he was the local agent of prominent fire insurance companies. His eldest son, Edwin, was associated with him from 1890 and became his successor in office. He was also a director of the Jordan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and secretary of the town council. He was affiliated with Porter Lodge, F. & A. M., from 1868, and Allen Commandery, K. T., from 1871. He changed the spelling of the family name from Kuntz to Koons when he embarked in business. In 1860, he was married to Pauline Wisser, daughter of Daniel (who had emigrated from Prussia and settled in Whitehall township), and they had five children: Edwin C., of New York; Albert A.; Milton H., of Maryland; Frank T., of Allentown; and Emma, who died in infancy.

Edwin C. Koons, a son of Abraham F. Koons, and wife Pauline Wisser, daughter of Daniel Wisser, was born at Catasauqua, Pa., October 3, 1863. He was educated in the public schools of Catasauqua and learned the trade of machinist, at which he worked nine years with the Davies & Thomas Company. He then entered business in partnership with his father in the insurance and real estate business. After the death of his father, on February 15, 1898, he succeeded him in the business and also as Justice of the Peace in 1898. He is a member of the Lutheran Church; of Porter Lodge, F. & A. M., Catasauqua Chapter, R. A. M., Allen Commandery, K. T., and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Mr. Kuntz was married in 1907 to Mary Hohl, daughter of Henry Hohl, in Allentown. They have two children, Edwin H. and Carl A.

Jacob Kuntz was born in Lehigh township, September 6, 1780. His youth was spent on a farm and he received the rudiments of a common school education. In 1810 he settled in Kensington, Philadelphia, where he built a home and resided all his life. He served as an apprentice at the trade of gunsmith for six weeks only, when he started in business for himself and soon estab-

lished a wide reputation for the excellence of his workmanship. His products were eagerly sought after by sportsmen in England, Scotland and America and brought high prices. Among his customers were Charles Peale, Albanus Logan, a descendant of Wm. Penn's secretary and the celebrated Siamese twins. He made the duelling pistols used by Commodores Barry and Decatur in their famous duel. His works were at Germantown road and Third street, where he employed a number of men. A pair of flint-lock pistols made by him are owned by Charles Klump, of Allentown. He took great pride in the excellence of his work and could not be induced to manufacture an inferior article. He was also an excellent engraver and a superb marksman. In 1833 the Franklin Institute rewarded him with a silver medal for his skill and ingenuity, which is now owned by his grandson, J. Martin Koons. He died at 1304 Cadwalader street, August 6, 1876, aged ninety-five years and eleven months. He was a man of regular and abstemious habits, upright and honest. He married, May 17, 1812, Barbara, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Kohler) Newhard, of Allentown. She was born May 16, 1786, and died March 6, 1862. They are buried in Union cemetery, Allentown. They had five children: Henry A.; Peter, who died in Illinois; Adam, a fireman in Philadelphia, who was killed by falling walls; Maria, wife of Mahlon Gallagher, and Emmeline, wife of Lewis Chester.

Henry A. Kuntz, son of Jacob, was born in Philadelphia in 1829, and died there in 1898. He was a hatter by occupation and married Matilda, daughter of Martin Schwenk, of Allentown. She was born January 17, 1833, and died February 11, 1913. They had three children: Jacob Martin, Anna Barbara, of Philadelphia, and William Henry, deceased, who married Margaret Sisom, and had two children, Mary and William Henry, Jr., of Trenton, N. J.

J. Martin Koons, of 1408 Linden street, Allentown, was born July 5, 1852, in Philadelphia. He was educated in the Philadelphia schools and learned the trade of a carriage blacksmith. He later entered the service of the P. & R. R. Co., and was a conductor on the North Penn road for twenty-seven years. He then retired and engaged in the slate mining business, being interested in the Providence Slate Co., of Lehigh township. He married, May 18, 1892, Elizabeth E., daughter of Joseph H. and Mary (Watson) Munday. They have one son, Martin Russell, a student.

Adam Kuntz, brother of Jacob, had children Sylvester, Walter, Benjamin, Henry and Mrs. James M. Ritter.



KUNTZ FAMILY.

Theobald Kuntz, or Dewald Kuntz, as his name was frequently written, emigrated to America in the ship *Phoenix*, and landed at Philadelphia on September 15, 1749. He settled in Macungie township, where he was assessed £8 in 1762, and in 1785 was the owner of 150 acres of land. He and his wife, Anna Maria, had five sons: John Theobald, born March 31, 1753; Philip Jacob, born December 6, 1755; George Frederick, born November 22, 1759; John Philip born June 3, 1762, and John Henry, born March 22, 1766.

John Theobald Kuntz, son of Theobald, married Margaret Steininger, and had children: Theobald, born September 30, 1777; Elizabeth, born March 15, 1782; Maria and Margaret, born September 13, 1787, and Catharine, born March 1, 1791. He removed from the township.

Philip Jacob Kuntz, who usually wrote his name Jacob, was born December 6, 1755, and died December 27, 1831. He married Elizabeth Steininger, who was born March 8, 1761, and died January 9, 1842. She was the daughter of Leonhard and Elizabeth Steininger. Jacob Kuntz, later spelled Kuhns, owned a tract of 157 acres in Macungie township, which he farmed until he divided his land among three of his sons—Philip, Theobald and Daniel. He had ten children: Philip, Theobald, Daniel, Catharine, Henry, George, Sarah, Lydia, who married Jonathan Heilman; Maria, and Elizabeth, wife of Henry Doering.

Jacob Kuhns bequeathed to his daughters Catharine, Sarah, Lydia and Maria, by will dated November 7, 1818, £400 each. His daughter Elizabeth had received in his lifetime 30 acres of land in Lowhill, and his three eldest sons had received his land in Macungie. His son George received £300 and his son Henry £62. His widow received the interest of \$500.

Theobald Kuntz, son of Jacob, was born April 17, 1789, and died March 12, 1873.

George Frederick Kuntz, third son of Theobald, first, married Maria Elizabeth Luetzelberger and had children: Catharine, born April 17, 1785; John George, born May 1, 1788; Henry, born August 20, 1794, and Solomon, born January 3, 1798.

John Philip Kuntz, fourth son of Theobald, first, married Catharine Steininger and had children: Henry, born March 10, 1787, died December 23, 1864, married Rebecca Grammes; Elizabeth, born October 11, 1789; Daniel, born July 6, 1791, and Catharine, born April 28, 1800.

Theobald, or Dewald, Kuntz, Jr., son of Theobald, second, owned three large farms and the

hotel at Kuhnsville, which he built. He died in 1857 and was buried at the Jordan Lutheran church. He was married three times and had twelve children: David; Charles, married Hannah Moyer; William, of Quakertown; Jeremiah, of North Whitehall; Dewald, Jr.; Samuel, married Rebecca Moyer; Daniel, of North Whitehall; Elizabeth; Lavinia, married George Dry; Mary, married Moses Hoffman; Lydia and Mrs. John Romig, of Iowa. Daniel Kuntz, the son of the third wife, Lydia Schmidt, was born September 2, 1811, and died January 14, 1865. He married in 1847, Catharine Lentz, and had one son, Walter M., of Allentown.

Dewald Kuhns, Jr., was born February 4, 1805, and died April 9, 1878. He owned two farms near Kuhnsville and was a member, deacon and elder of the Jordan Lutheran church. He married Juliana Rabenold, who was born October 28, 1812, and died January 5, 1887. They had ten children: Gideon; Willoughby; Edwin; Frank; Amandus, of Allentown; Eli; Carolina, wife of Uriah Litzenberger; Rosa, wife of William Grammes; Louisa, wife of Levi Marcks, and Emma, wife of Charles Tice.

EDWIN KUHN, of Ballietsville, was born March 20, 1838. He was reared upon the farm and at the age of nineteen learned the trade of a tanner and was employed at that trade for several years. In April, 1863, he opened a tannery at Ballietsville, which he conducted until 1892, employing from six to eight men. Subsequently, he dealt in lumber for seven years and was a drover and butcher. While engaged as a drover he accidentally fell into the Susquehanna river and swam 200 feet in the dark to the shore, though he had never before swam. He was elected school director as a Democrat and served six years, and for two years was treasurer of the board. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, in which he has been deacon, elder and trustee. He is also a member of Jordan Lodge, No. 192, I. O. O. F. He married, in 1862, Annie, daughter of John and Lydia (Stettler) Koch. She died in 1886, aged 46 years. He married, second, Josephine Balliet, widow of Harry Trumbauer. She died in 1906. Mr. Kuhns had seven children: John Dewald and Clara A., who died in childhood; Oscar E.; Maggie J., wife of Henry Ritter; Tillie I., wife of Howard Koch; Harvey L., of Allentown, and Lasta Minerva, who married Alvin Smith, and died November 6, 1909, aged 35 years, leaving a son, Edwin P. Smith.

OSCAR E. KUHN, son of Edwin, was born September 17, 1865. He was educated in the common schools and at the Kutztown Normal School. Afterward he taught school for several terms in North Whitehall. On November 26,

1884, he married Cora E., a daughter of Edwin Breinig. They had one son, Harold E. Kuhns, born May 20, 1886, who was reared with his maternal grandparents, near Egypt, because of the death of his father, on September 18, 1886. He was educated in the public schools at Egypt and was graduated from the township schools in 1900; graduated from the Allentown High School in 1903, and Muhlenberg College in 1907. After teaching in his home district for two terms he was elected to teach in the High School at Coplay, where he is teaching at the present time. On May 25, 1911, he married Florence Grammes and they have one son, Harold, Jr.

Richard Kuhns, son of Samuel and Rebecca (Moyer) Kuhns, was born February 25, 1856. He was educated in the public schools and became a farmer, cultivating a 120-acre farm in Upper Macungie. He was elected a school director as a Democrat and is a member of Jordan Lutheran church. He married Ellen J. Koch and had six children: Willis E.; Charles D., married Ursula Peters; Samuel T., married Alice Ruhe; Harry C., married Katie Bortz; Elwood J., and Clarence K., deceased.

WILLIS E. KUHN, son of Richard, was born in Upper Macungie, July 19, 1877. Having attended the public school until the age of sixteen, he came to Allentown in 1883 and entered the employ of Koch & Shankweiler. Since 1906 he is interested in the business of Koch Bros. He is a member of Christ Lutheran church, and in politics is a Democrat. He married, August 20, 1902, Annie M., daughter of the late Thomas and Alice Leh and resides at Fulton and Turner streets, Allentown.

George Kuhns, a weaver of linens, linsey-woolsey and bed-spreads, owned a tract of about eight acres near Crackersport. He and his wife, Elizabeth, had seven children: Reuben; Samuel; Henry; Ephraim; Josiah, who removed to Ohio; Sallie, wife of Henry Schiffert, and Mrs. Diana Kepp.

Reuben Kuhns, son of George, was a weaver and lived on a six-acre lot near Crackersport. He was elected supervisor of the township as a Democrat and was an elder of the Jordan Lutheran congregation. He married Salome Eisenhard and had four children: Cyrus; Alfred; Amelia, wife of Benneville Held; and Ellen, wife of Wilson Baer.

CYRUS R. KUHN, of Snyder'sville, was born March 20, 1839. After attending school he learned the trade of a shoemaker, which he followed six years, after which he was employed on the railroad and in ore mines, until 1869, when he moved upon his present truck farm of 28 acres, formerly the Peter Kline farm. He mar-

ried, August 12, 1866, Sallie, daughter of Jonas and Sallie (Deibert) Scherer, and had four children: Emma, who died aged eleven years; George A., of Lower Macungie; Frank B., and Mary E.

John Kuhns, of Upper Macungie, was the son of George Kuhns, and had these brothers and sisters: Samuel, died aged 85 years; Mary, wife of Jonas Litzenberger, died aged 85 years; Leanda, wife of Samuel Moyer; Christina, wife of Frank Kuhns; Eliza, wife of Charles Schmoeyer; Solomon and Amanda. John Kuhns owned his father's homestead of 130 acres near Chapmans, and was active in the township, serving as a school director and was also a director of the Lehigh Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He was a member of the building committee when the Jordan Lutheran church was remodeled and for a number of years was a member of the church council, and president of the Sunday school for several years. He died at the age of 78 years. His wife was Flora, daughter of Peter and Esther (Guth) Blank, and they had five children: Benjamin F.; Maurice, who died young; Rosa L., deceased, who married Tilghman Knauss; Ellen, wife of Peter Schuler, of Dillinger's, and Dr. E. H. Kuhns, of Chapman's Station.

BENJAMIN F. KUHN, son of John, was born at Chapman's Station, January 22, 1861. He was educated in the public schools, Indiana State Normal School and Lock Haven State Normal School. He cultivated the farm until 1880, when he became a telegrapher and was employed by the P. & R. R. Company at Emaus, and on the North Penn and Catawissa and Williamsport branches. He later removed to Allentown and became a clerk in the store of Koch & Shankweiler, where he remained sixteen years. In 1898, with Daniel J. Kerschner, he established the Kuhns & Kerschner clothing store at 719 Hamilton street, which later included 721 Hamilton street.

Mr. Kuhns is a member of Greenleaf Lodge, No. 561, F. & A. M., Harrisburg Consistory, 32d deg., Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Allentown Lodge, No. 130, B. P. O. E. He is a member of Christ Lutheran church, of which he was one of the thirty-three charter members and a member of its first council. He married, December 24, 1887, Ida S., daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Snyder) Koch, of Kuhnsville, and has two children—Frances I. and Marguerite E. He resides at 1653 Linden street.

George Henry Kuhns, of Lower Macungie, married Mary Eisenhard and had two children—Reuben and John. Reuben Kuhns was born in Lower Macungie in 1812 and pursued the occupation of farmer and shoemaker until his death in 1889. He was a member of the Lutheran con-



gregation at Trexlertown, where he served as deacon, elder and trustee. In politics he was an active Democrat and filled several township offices. He married Sarah, daughter of Jacob Spangler, and had six children: Anna, wife of Leon Kuhns; Amanda, wife of Daniel Smoyer; Ellen, wife of William Eisenhard; Aaron, Franklin R. and George. Aaron Kuhns married Sarah Rauch and had three children: Herbert F.; Lillie P., wife of Owen Kern, and Ellsworth G. M., who has represented the lower district in the state legislature for several terms.

Franklin R. Kuhns married Mary, daughter of Henry Lauer and had two children: Wm. H. F., and Dilla, wife of Edwin Miller.

WILLIAM H. F. KUHNS, son of Franklin R., was born August 9, 1872, at East Texas. He was educated in the township schools and at the Kutztown Normal School, and engaged in business as a butcher until 1896, when he was elected hospital steward at the Lehigh County Almshouse. In 1910, upon the retirement of S. J. Kern, he was elected steward and superintendent of the almshouse. He is a member of and has been for four years deacon of the Trexlertown Lutheran congregation. He married Emma, daughter of Charles and Catharine (Smith) Hartzell, and has one child, Florence C.

Bartholomew Kuntz, who was taxed in Macungie township in 1772, and his wife, Christina, had these children: Anna Maria, born August 26, 1765; John Daniel, born October 13, 1766; John Christian, born February 11, 1771, and Henry, born April 29, 1776.

Daniel Kuhns, son of Bartholomew, was born October 13, 1766, and died February 1, 1835. He was a weaver, which trade all his sons learned, and lived on a tract of seventy acres in Weisenberg township. He was a member of the Ziegel church Lutheran congregation, where he is buried. He married Catharine Miller, who was born September 11, 1772, and died April 8, 1833. They had five children: David; Daniel; George; Marie, wife of Benjamin Zimmerman, and Elizabeth, wife of Jonas Grim.

Daniel Kuhns, son of Daniel, lived on a part of the homestead adjoining his brothers. He married Lucy Danner, and had three children: William, deceased; Daniel, of Allentown, and George, who owns the homestead.

George Kuhns, son of Daniel, married Elizabeth Bortz, and had four children: Charles; Joseph; Caroline, wife of Henry Bleiler, of near Hynemansville, and Eliza, wife of Daniel Heberly.

David Kuhns, son of Daniel, was born in Weisenberg, August 25, 1811, and died April 11, 1895. He was a weaver and wove carpets,

linen goods and linsey-woolsey. He resided on a 25-acre farm, which his son David later acquired. He married Esther, daughter of Daniel Stettler. She was born in 1816 and died January 1, 1888. They had three children: James, David and Benjamin.

David Kuhns, son of David, was born in Weisenberg, February 13, 1841. At an early age he learned weaving and later cigar-making, and at the age of eighteen years learned shoemaking from his brother James and William Garmer. He has pursued this occupation ever since and has made hundreds of pairs of shoes, but of late years devoted his time to repair work. He lived near Ziegel's church until 1897, when he removed to 1145 Turner street, Allentown. He and his family are members of the Lutheran Church. He married, in 1865, Amanda, daughter of Jesse and Lydia (Smith) Quier, of Whitehall township, later of Weisenberg township. They had four children: Mary, wife of Wellington Haaf; Emma, wife of Elmer Werley, and who died aged 24 years; Frank O. and Edwin S.

EDWIN S. KUHNS, a member of the firm of E. H. Scholl & Co., of Allentown, was born in Weisenberg township, December 15, 1824. He was educated in the public schools, Kutztown Normal School and the American Commercial School. He taught school in his native township and later was employed as a bookkeeper by the Trexler Lumber Company for seven years. In 1905 he formed a partnership with E. H. Scholl, as E. H. Scholl & Co., importers and jobbers of glass, china, enamel, wood and willow ware, located at 46-48 North Seventh street, Allentown. The firm employs nine people. Mr. Kuhns is a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the Order of Owls, and is a member of St. Michael's Lutheran church, where, since 1897, he has been an official of the German Bible Class in the Sunday school. He married, June 16, 1900, Malaria M., daughter of Joseph Gehringer, of Weisenberg township. They have two children—Carrie M. and Harvey Franklin, and one, Stanley Edwin, who died in infancy.

Jeremiah Kuhns was born August 12, 1826, and died August 21, 1894. He is buried at Jordan Lutheran church. Mr. Kuhns was a farmer. He owned the Peter Butz homestead of 83 acres in North Whitehall, where he lived from 1858 until his death. He was school director of North Whitehall, and in politics a Democrat.

His wife was Louisa Butz, daughter of Samuel and Catharine (Lentz) Butz. Samuel Butz was a son of Peter Butz. They had two children: Alfred M., and Clara L., married to Rev. E. A. Yehl, a Lutheran minister, of Bangor, Pa.

Alfred Kuhns was born in Macungie, June 26, 1855. He was reared on the farm and educated in the public schools and the Kutztown State Normal School. Mr. Kuhns farmed on shares until 1894, when he took possession of the homestead of his father and grandfather Butz, and continued until April, 1912. He now lives retired at Orefield, Pa.

Mr. Kuhns is greatly interested in education; served all the offices of the board and as a school director for twelve successive years. He is a member of Jordan Lutheran church, which he served as deacon and elder.

In 1879 he was married to Miss Amanda Scheirer, daughter of Elias and Sarah (Schneck) Scheirer. She died May 4, 1898, aged 41 years. They had the following children: Irene M., married Dr. H. A. Litzenberger, of Walnutport; Elwood W., died aged 6 years; Gussie A., died aged 13 years; Elma E., married Raymond Sudke, of Balliettsville; Luther J., professor at Kutztown State Normal School; Sherwood A., Marion S., died young.

He married, second, in 1903, Emma E. Kehnel, daughter of Aaron and Mary (Kline) Kehnel. They had one child, Hilda, died aged 3 years.

HOWARD F. KUHN, inventor and sole distributor of the Reliance Washer, with offices at Fullerton, Pennsylvania, is a native of Siegersville, Lehigh county; born September 9, 1877, son of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth (Wieand) Kuhns, the former named a carpenter by trade, and a grandson on the paternal side of John Kuhns, a resident of Hoffmanville, and on the maternal side of Charles and Mary (Sammel) Wieand. Children of Benjamin F. and Elizabeth Kuhns: Howard F.; Charles and George are engaged in the sheet metal business at Shamokin, Pennsylvania, under the name of Kuhns Brothers; Joseph, a plumber, at Havre De Grasse, Maryland.

Howard F. Kuhns attended the common schools in the neighborhood of his home, and the high school at Coplay, after which he served an apprenticeship at the trade of telegraph operator with the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, at Walberts Station, later at Catasauqua, where he remained for six years, and subsequently was station agent and telegraph operator for the Lehigh Valley Railroad. He then turned his attention to the tinsmith business at Siegersville, entering the employ of his uncle, George M. Wieand, whose interest he later purchased, and he and his father conducted the business for two years. In 1904 he removed to Fullerton and there conducted a tinsmith business of his own for nine years, and at the expiration of this period he invented the Reliance Washer, the patent for which is now pending, and he has in his employ

a number of agents on the road. The machine is a noiseless, quick, simple and economic mechanism. It is built for use with either electricity or gasoline as the motive power or it may be worked by hand. On February 15, 1914, Mr. Kuhns moved his offices to Allentown, locating at the corner of Court and Fourth streets, and is now conducting an extensive business, which is constantly increasing. Mr. Kuhns is a member of Emanuel Evangelical church, a member of the Woodmen of the World, and a Democrat in politics.

Mr. Kuhns married in 1902, Agnes S. Schleicher, daughter of David Schleicher: Children: Mildred, Pauline and Eugene.

Oscar E. Kuhns, son of Edwin, was born Sept. 17, 1865. He was educated in the common schools and at the K. S. N. S. at Kutztown. Afterward he taught school for several terms in North Whitehall.

On Nov. 26, 1884, he married Cora E., a daughter of Edwin Breinig. They had one son, Harold E. Kuhns, born May 20, 1886, and who was reared with his maternal grandparents near Egypt, because of the death of his father on Sept. 18, 1886. He was educated in the public schools at Egypt and was graduated from the township schools in 1900; graduated from the Allentown high school in 1903; and the Muhlenberg College in 1907. After teaching in his home district for two terms he was elected to teach in the high school at Coplay where he is teaching at the present time. On May 25, 1911, he married Florence Grammes, and they have one son, Harold, Jr.

#### KURTZ FAMILY.

John George Kurtz, of Anspach, was born in 1706 and died Oct. 18, 1787. He married Elizabeth Wannemacher, and had one son and five daughters. Upon his arrival in America, he located in the Lebanon Valley, somewhere between the Schuylkill and Susquehanna rivers. In that region the Indians committed many atrocious acts, among them having stolen a little son from Kurtz, on which account he removed to Wilkes-Barre. He remained there several years, then settled in Hanover township, now Lehigh county, where he obtained possession of a large tract of land, by patent deed, from the Penns. This property, after his death, passed to John George Kurtz, his son, and part of his tract is now owned by a Schneck. The borough of East Catasauqua embraces a large part of it.

John George Kurtz, the son, was born October 19, 1767. His wife was Elizabeth Miller. She died August 26, 1848, aged 83 years. Their children were: Henry and Polly (Mag-



dalena), who were twins, Polly having been the wife of Joseph Kidd and died in 1828, leaving two daughters who died in 1838 within one month from cholera morbus; Elizabeth (married Abraham Swartz); Susan (married Ross Kramer); and George, who, with his brother, Henry, owned the homestead.

Henry Kurtz was born December 13, 1800, and died February 5, 1890, in the ninetieth year of his age. He and his family, like his father and grandfather, were Lutheran members of Shoenersville church, where they are all buried. He lived on the Kurtz farm of 160 acres at Catasauqua. Part of this farm is now cut up into building lots and is embraced within the borough limits. His wife, Lydia Shoener, was born in 1803, and died in her 65th year. Their twelve children were: Herman, Henry, Diana, Catharine, Isabella, Edward, Amanda, Milton, Lydia, Uriah, Sarah and Monroe.

George Kurtz was born March 3, 1809, and died December 24, 1895, in his 87th year. His farm was 193 acres, part of the homestead of his father. He always lived in Hanover township. Maria M. Nagle was his wife, born in 1817 and died in 1895, in her 87th year. Their children were: Robert, George, Allen, Elizabeth (m. Frank Beary), and Owen (who has an only daughter, Bertha).

Allen Kurtz was born March 25, 1842. He was a farmer and now lives at Catasauqua. His wife was Sarah McHose, a daughter of John McHose, and their children were: Laura J., Eugene, Emma, William and Annie.

Henry Kurtz, son of Henry, was born February 16, 1829, in Hanover. He was a stone-quarry worker and lived at Catasauqua from 1863 to 1868, when he settled at Fullerton and there he died on January 10, 1910. He was a member of Schoenersville Reformer congregation until 1882, after which he became a member of Mickley's church, which he served as a deacon and an elder. His wife was Mary J. Schaffer, born on May 6, 1838, and died on September 10, 1906. She was a daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Snyder) Schaffer. They had three children: Sarah (m. John Hausman, who lives at Fullerton); Frank G., and Henry J. (of Allentown).

Edward Kurtz, son of Henry, was born Oct. 30, 1836. He was a farmer for many years in Hanover and Saucon townships, and later he was a stone-quarry worker around Catasauqua, where he now resides on Race street. His wife was Catharine Bartholomew. She died in 1902 about 66 years of age. Their children were:

Ella, Ida, Sarah J., Elmira, William H., and Harvey.

FRANK G. KURTZ, postmaster and head of the Kurtz Furniture Company at Fullerton, was born at Catasauqua March 29, 1867. He attended the public schools until he was twelve years old, then began clerking in the general store of A. T. Williams, at Fullerton, and after serving three years he took up the trade of wood carving with Benjamin Schlegel at Allentown. He worked as journeyman until 1892, when he organized the Kurtz Furniture Co., of which he is the treasurer.

He and his family were members of the Reformed congregation of Mickley's church until the St. John's Reformed church was organized at Fullerton. He was a strong factor in its establishment and served as a trustee for a number of terms.

He has membership in these lodges: Lecha Wonk Tribe, No. 201, I. O. R. M., of Allentown; Woodmen of the World and Fullerton Beneficial Association, which he assisted in organizing.

Politically Mr. Kurtz is a Republican and since he has the right of suffrage has been active in politics. He was a member of the County Standing Committee upwards of sixteen years; served as Auditor of Whitehall; was appointed postmaster of Fullerton on January 1, 1897, and re-appointed every four years since that time, having assisted in making Fullerton a third class office, and establishing Fullerton Rural Route, in 1906.

Mr. Kurtz was married in January, 1890, to Anna M. Yoder, daughter of William H. and Susan (Ray) Yoder of Fullerton. They have three children: Harry H., Esther M. and Miriam M.

Milton Kurtz, son of Henry, was born July, 26, 1839 and died June 16, 1905. He is buried at the Shoenersville church, which he served as deacon and elder for many years. In 1872, when the present church was built, he served as a member of the building committee. He was one of the most liberal supporters of the church, and always took an active part in its welfare. He was prominently identified with the Republican party; and served for a number of terms the office of school director of Hanover township, though the district was strongly Democratic. During the nineties he was County Commissioner for a full term of three years. He was a farmer until in 1880, when he engaged in the manufacturing of bricks at East Catasauqua, and continued in this business until the

time of his death. He built brick works at the present location in 1903.

Emelina Roth, his widow, resides at Catasauqua. Their five children were: Oscar H., Clara A. (m. William Miller), Emma M. (m. Irwin A. Easterday), Cora (m. Eugene Long) and Milton M. (of Catasauqua.).

Oscar H. Kurtz, brick-manufacturer of Catasauqua, was born in Hanover township, July 28, 1864. After his education in the public schools and at Millersville State Normal School, he became superintendent for his father in 1890 in the manufacturing of bricks, and he continued in this position until his father died. The East-End Brick Manufacturing Co. continued the business for five and one-half years. The company was made up of O. H. Kurtz and Franklin Goldsmith. In April, 1912, Mr. Kurtz began the manufacturing of bricks alone.

On March 26, 1886, he married Isabella C. Laubach, daughter of Tilghman and Fianna (Weaver) Laubach. They have twelve children all of whom are living: Roland O., Truman E., Quay H., Raymond H., Minnie A., Florence F., Edna E., Reuben T., Gertrude A., Herbert G., Blanch I. and Floyd F.

WILLIAM H. KURTZ, son of Edward, of Catasauqua, was born on November 15, 1867. At the age of 18 years he learned the moulding trade with the Davies-Thomas Company, which he has followed with the same company to the present time. He has lived in Catasauqua since he was two years old. He and his family reside in his own home at No. 454 Race street, which was built by William A. Ritter, in 1875. Mr. Kurtz is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, both of Catasauqua.

He and his family are member of the Reformed congregation of Schoenersville church. On February 2, 1888, he married Emedia Jacoby, a daughter of Jacob and Salinda (Laub) Jacoby of Bethlehem, Pa. They have two children: Clarence C. (married to Minnie Remaly, who have a son, Jonas William), and Bessie O.

#### CHARLES F. KURTZ.

Charles F. Kurtz, furniture manufacturer of Bethlehem, Pa., was born Aug. 13, 1872, at Metzingen, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, son of Carl Frederick Kurtz, who was born Oct. 13, 1837. The latter was a son of Carl Frederick Kurtz, Sr., who was born Oct. 13, 1807, and his wife, Catharine, *nee* Miller. Carl Frederick Kurtz, Sr., was a manufacturer of woolen goods which were made with hand looms; but in later years he lived retired.

Charles F. Kurtz emigrated to these United States at the age of seventeen years, and he has always lived at Bethlehem with the exception from 1892 to 1894. During these two years he was employed at Paterson, N. J. On April 10, 1894, he and a younger brother engaged in the manufacturing of furniture only in a small way. But by grit, perseverance, and determination they have succeeded in building up the present large business of Kurtz Brothers, who are manufacturers of the finest office furniture and fixtures in the country. They manufactured the furniture and fixtures of the E. P. Wilbur Trust Company, at Bethlehem, which is one of the finest equipped bank buildings in Pennsylvania.

Socially, Mr. Kurtz has membership in Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, F. A. M., the Odd Fellows and the Knights of Friendship, all of Bethlehem. On Sept. 28, 1908, he was married to Miss Anna P. Walters, of Boston, Mass. They are members of the Lutheran church.

#### KURTZ FAMILY.

Jacob Kutz, the immigrant ancestor, was born in Germany, in 1674, and arrived here in 1732.

Jacob, probably the grandson of Jacob Kutz, the immigrant, married Susanna Geehr, who was born in 1778, and died in 1824. They had children: 1. David, who served as judge of Berks county, married Katie Sell, and had: Jacob, George, Dewald, Sell, Judith, Sallie Susanna, Mary and Barbara. 2. Samuel married Polly Kutz and had: Jacob, Aaron, Samuel, Henry, Robert, Mary Ann, and Sarah. 3. Joseph born in 1800, died in 1896, married Elizabeth Mertz, and had: Catharine; Jacob, born in 1829, married (first) Dianna Sunday, (second) Susanna Hoch; Charles, born in 1813, died in 1876, married Polly Altenderfer; Judith, married Henry B. Dietrich; Annie; Catharine, married Reuben Schlegel; Sallie, unmarried; Dianna; Susanna, born April 15, 1833, married John Hoch; Het-tie, married Henry Schlegel; Leah, unmarried; Betzy (Elizabeth), married John Sittler; Caroline, unmarried; Aaron. 4. Benjamin, a county commissioner, married Sarah Sittler and had: Jacob, born October 28, 1826, died April 11, 1832; Daniel, born July 29, 1828; Helena; William. 5. Betzy, married John Rahn. 6. Rebecca, married Jacob Ahn. 7. Ann, married George Grover.

#### DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPH KUTZ.

Joseph Kutz was born in 1800 and died in 1896. He was a miller and farmer in Greenwich township, Berks county, Pa. He was married to Elizabeth Mertz, and they had ten children,



viz: 1. Judith. 2. Sallie. 3. Jacob. 4. Susanna. 5. Charles. 6. Hettie. 7. Elizabeth. 8. Catharyn. 9. Leah. 10. Caroline. The last two named died unmarried.

1. Judith Kutz was married to Henry B. Dietrich. They had nine children, the oldest of whom was William Joseph Dietrich, born in 1843, died in 1876. He was married to Susanna Fox Seaman, a daughter of Jonathan Seaman, of Tilden township, Berks county, Pa. They had seven children, viz: Lizzie C., and Sevilla, who died young; Agnes V., married to G. J. Heintzleman, Oscar H., David J., who died in 1911; William J., and Alfred M. Dietrich. O. H. and W. J. Dietrich reside at Allentown, so does Mrs. Heintzleman.

The children of Judith Kutz and Henry B. Dietrich follow:

William J., married to Susanna F. Seaman.

Susanna was never married.

Hettie, married to Joel Loch.

Alfred, died young.

Henry, married to Sallie Buchman.

Isabella, married to Henry Fenstermacher.

Emma, married to Amos Geist.

Annie, married to George Burger.

Sarah, married to Sylvester Weil.

2. Sallie died single.

3. Jacob Kutz was born in 1829, died in 1907. He was married (first) to Diana Sunday; (second) to Susanna Wanner. His children were: Charles, married to Susanna Merkel; George C. M., married to Florenda Dietrich; William P., married to Emma Kohler; Louisa, married to Charles A. Dietrich; Ella, married to John Siegfried; Hattie A., single.

4. Susana, wife of John Hoch. They lived at Kutztown, Pa., and had issue: Sarah, married to Percivil Heffner; Annie, married to Austin Herman; Samuel, married (first) Ella Madeira; (second) Millie Hartzel; Clara, married to Walter Herman; Cornelia, married Daniel P. Grim, of Kutztown, Pa.

5. Charles Kutz, married to Polly Altenderfer, and they had issue: Sarah, married to Frank Printzenhoff; Mary, married to Thomas Rothermel; Aaron, moved to Iowa; Edwin; Susanna, married to Joel Breininger; Charles, married to Sarah Mosser; Annie, married to Samuel Hoch.

6. Hettie, married to Henry Schlegel. He was a drover and lived at Fleetwood, Pa. Their children were: Albert, married to Clara Hoch; Sarah, married to A. K. Seaman; Cyrus, married to Lizzie Machamer; Cecelia, married to Nathaniel Deisher; Cyrennius, married to Kate Adams; Carrie, married to Charles Haas; Tilghman; Mahlon, married to Flora Dunkel, they live at Topeka, Kansas.

7. Elizabeth, married to John Sittler, who was a farmer in Greenwich township. Their children were: Charles, married to Emma, a daughter of James Dietrich; Susanna; Louisa; Peter, married to Mary Hoch.

8. Catharine Kutz married Reuben Schlegel. They also lived at Fleetwood, Pa. He was a drover and associated in business with Henry Schlegel. Their children were: Lizzie, married to N. Manumiller; Aaron, married to Katie Brown; Annie, married to William Gruber; Wilson, married to Agnes Christ; Maurice, moved to Illinois; Clara; Katie; Howard, married Lydia Hottenstein; Joseph; Lydia; Eugene.

9. Leah Kutz. 10. Caroline Kutz. These sisters were never married. They lived at Kutz's Mill, near their brother Jacob. For many years they kept house and cared for their father, who became very old.

John Jacob Kutz was baptized at Stuttgart, Germany, in 1685, as Kurz, and later was confirmed as Kurtz. He was unmarried when he came to this country, and is supposed to have been one of five brothers, three of whom settled in Maxatawny township, and one of these being Nicholas, of further mention. Two of them settled near Carlisle, Pennsylvania, where their descendants bear the name of Kurtz. The Kutztown and Carlisle families intermarried in later generations. John Jacob Kutz owned a large tract of land, a part of which he farmed. He married Christiana Kohler, a descendant of one of the pioneer families in the vicinity of Kutztown, and had children: Jacob, who settled at Wilkes-Barre, and died there; John; Samuel, settled at Limerick, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania; Benjamin, lived in Reading, had a son, Samuel, who lived in Los Angeles, California; Elizabeth, married Benjamin Frick and lived in Reading; Sarah, married Gideon Dry, and lived in Rockland township, Berks county; Hannah, married Jacob Angstadt, and also lived in Rockland township; one child was drowned in early youth.

John Kutz, probably a grandson of John Jacob and Christiana (Kohler) Kutz, was born at Kutztown, Pennsylvania, June 1, 1801, and died in Allentown, in March, 1887. He learned the tailor's trade in Topton, and there followed this occupation until 1866, when he removed to Allentown, and worked at his trade until he retired to private life. He was of a religious disposition and joined the United Brethren church. He married at Topton, Anna, daughter of Jacob Diener, and had children: Samuel, of further mention; Mary Ann, born August 25, 1823, widow of John Walter, was living in Allentown

in 1911; Susanna, married Amandus Stettler; Hannah, who died March 16, 1911, at the age of eighty-four years, married Charles De Long; Elias, who settled at New Holland, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, died in that town in 1911, at the age of seventy-seven years; Levi; Fianna, married George Levan; Franklin, lived and died in Reading; Henry, lived in Philadelphia, and died there, August 7, 1910, at the age of sixty-seven years; Louisa, married Henry Rice; Amanda, married Emanuel Reinhard.

Samuel, son of John and Anna (Diener) Kutz, was born at Topton, Pennsylvania, in 1822, and died in Allentown in 1897. He was educated in the public schools and was graduated from the Kingston Seminary, near Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Upon the completion of his education he was engaged in teaching school in Topton for six years. He was a tailor by trade, which he followed in Allentown from 1874, and was also engaged in farming. For a time he was a member of the Lutheran Church, later joined the Evangelical Church. He married Caroline Dry, born in 1828, died in 1906, a sister of Benjamin Dry, who was in public office in Berks county for some years. Children: Charles; Alvin F.; of further mention; James; Wilson; John; Frederick; Mary, married Joseph P. Snyder; Amanda, married Winfield Becker, of Allentown; Henry and Sarah, died young.

Alvin F., son of Samuel and Caroline (Dry) Kutz, was born at Topton, Pennsylvania, Oct. 30, 1849. In 1884 he established himself in the machinist business independently, continued it in this manner until 1890, when he associated with himself as a partner, Lepheneus Gift, the firm name being Kutz & Gift. They manufacture capsule molds, and employ ten skilled mechanics. He and his family are members of the United Evangelical church. Mr. Kutz married, March 10, 1877, Ella S., daughter of Peter and Sarah Ann (Hartman) Buchman of Allentown. Children: Annie F., married Harry S. Landis; a leading carpet merchant of Allentown, and has: Frederick W.; Mamie, married Claude Steckel, a contractor of Allentown, and has: Althea and Elizabeth.

Levi, son of John and Anna (Diener) Kutz, was born at Topton, Pennsylvania, July 2, 1834. For nine years he taught school in Berks county, and was then in the mercantile business eight years at Lyons, Pennsylvania. Removing to Allentown in 1873, he was a clerk in a drygoods and clothing store four years, and for six years conducted a grocery store in Allentown. He is a Democrat and was assessor of the Seventh ward for fifteen consecutive years. He was a clerk in John Bowens' grocery store thirteen years, but

was obliged to resign this position in 1902 owing to failing eyesight. He has served as exhorter and chorister in the United Evangelical church many years. Mr. Kutz married, Sept. 25, 1862, Susan, daughter of John Haak, late of Lyons. Children: George, died in infancy; Edward, of Allentown; Lizzie, married Charles Schneck; Annie, died in infancy; William, born in 1873, died November 20, 1906; Katie, married John Marlborg; Mamie.

Nicholas Coutts, Nov. 18, 1729, bought a tract of one hundred and fifty acres in Maxatawny township, Philadelphia county, paying fifty-two pounds, ten shillings therefor.

Nicholas Kutz had sons: John and Nicholas, Jr.

John Kutz, son of Nicholas, had a son.

Daniel, who had a son.

Benjamin, who had sons.

Nicholas, present county commissioner of Berks county, and Ira G., former district attorney of Berks county and a noted lawyer at Reading.

Nicholas Kutz, son of Nicholas (1), had a son, Samuel, who had a son,

Isaac, who has a son,

Franklin, now living at Fleetwood, Pa.

Jacob Kutz married and had: Adam, Jacob, John, Peter, Catharine, Susanna, and Barbara.

Adam, son of Jacob Kutz, resided in Maxatawny township, and made a will in 1775.

John Kutz, born March 16, 1802, died December 10, 1863, is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery. He married (first) Sarah, born 1806, died 1846; (second) Hannah ———, who died in 1899.

Johannes Kutz, immigrant, landed in this country in 1752.

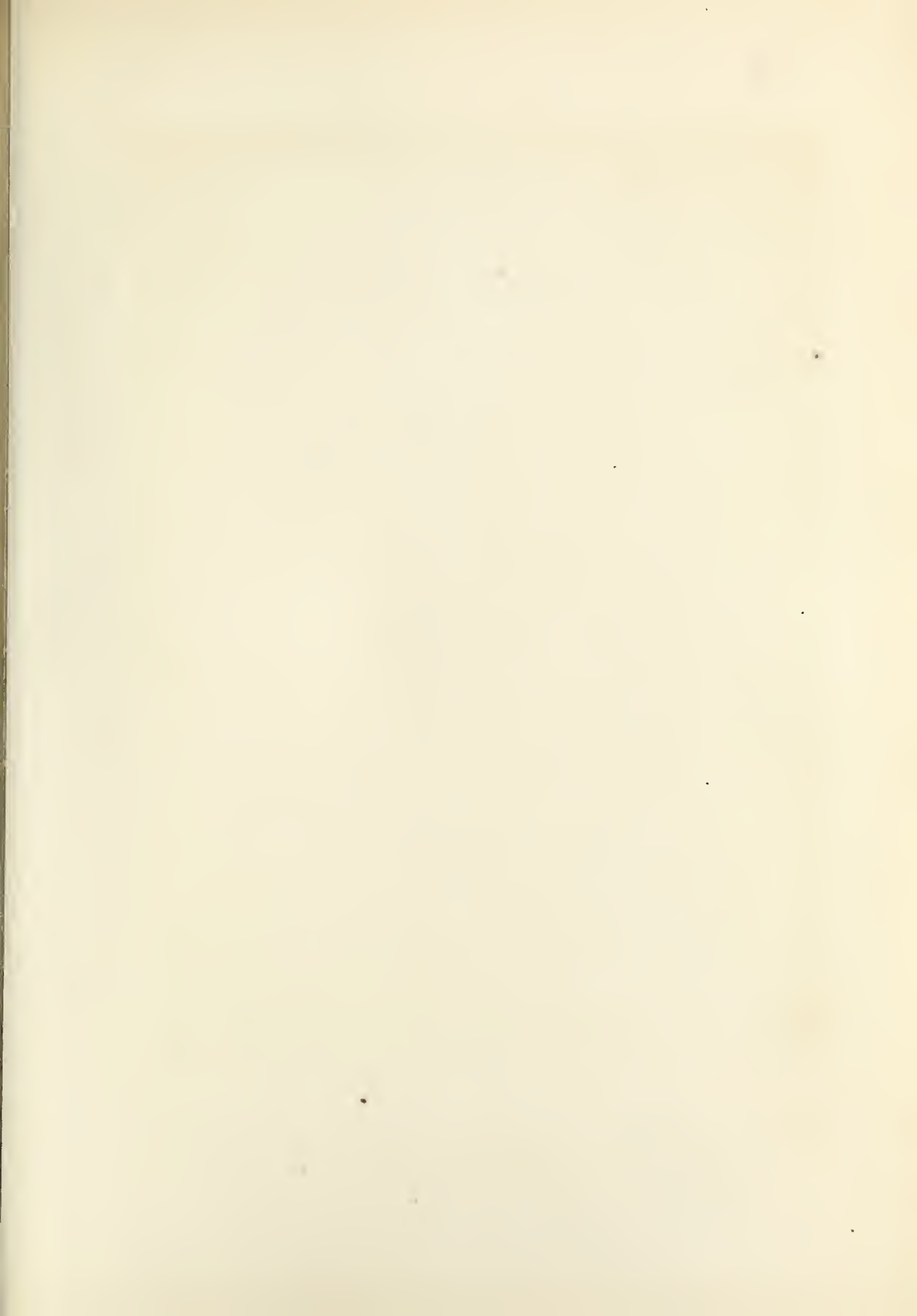
#### RICHARD OTTO KOHLER.

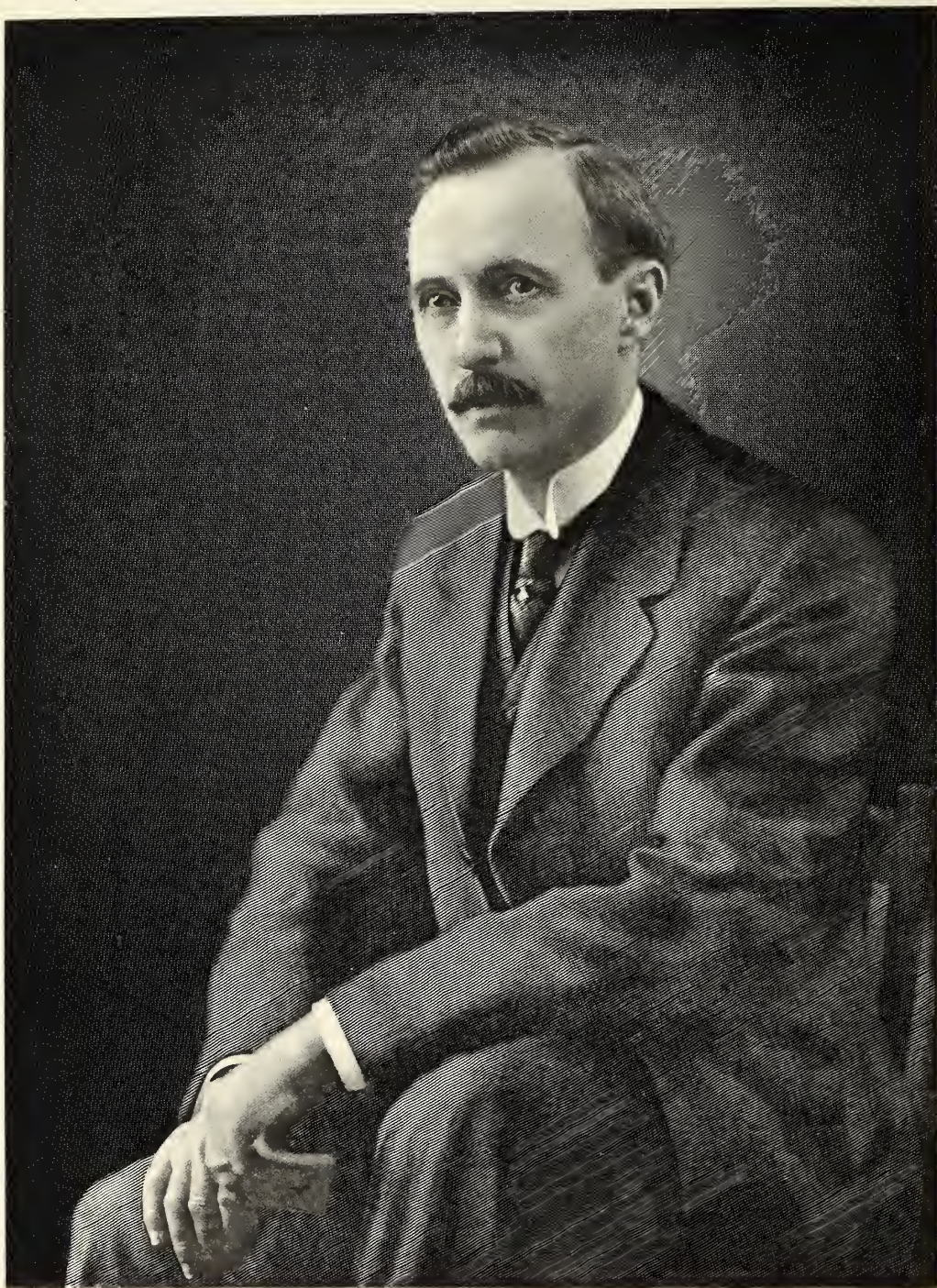
The late Richard Otto Köhler, for many years a highly respected and esteemed resident of Catasauqua, Pa., who passed away in the midst of active manhood, and whose presence has been greatly missed in the family circle, and among his many friends, was a native of Chemnitz, Germany, born Oct. 27, 1872.

Mr. Kohler married Grace Williams, daughter of the late Oliver Williams, one of the borough's iron masters, and they were the parents of one daughter, Anna.

Mr. Kohler died in the German hospital, Philadelphia, Oct. 30, 1913, aged forty-one years, and the funeral services were held at his late home, Fourth and Pine streets, Catasauqua, Rev. Dr. Charles L. Fry, former pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran church, officiating. Interment was in







W. T. Bather 113.

H. H. Dent.



the family plot in Fairview cemetery. The following tributes of respect were paid to the memory of Mr. Kohler.

Minutes adopted, Nov. 4, 1913, by Trinity Lutheran Church Council, Catasauqua, Pa., on the sudden death of its president, Richard O. Kohler:

We lift our hearts in humble reverence to the sovereign God, who is the all-wise Arbiter of our lives, thanking Him for His gracious gift to us, of that faithful soul whom He has taken away from the earth, to be forever with the Lord.

We cherish the qualities of his Christian character, which endeared him to us, and by reason of which we now miss him so sorely. We will always remember his loyalty and love for the church, which grew deeper and stronger year after year.

As we mourn the fact of his vanishing from our sight, so suddenly and unexpectedly, in the very prime of his vigorous manhood, we pray that this may make us profoundly realize the truth of Holy Writ: 'In the midst of life we are in death,' and impress us with the solemn admonition to do our work for our Master 'while it is day,' since 'the night cometh when no man can work.'

This minute of our high regard and sacred resolve is to be entered on our official record and a copy is to be sent to Mrs. R. O. Kohler with our most heartfelt condolence.

Attest: C. D. W. BOWER, Sec.

*The Lutheran*, the official organ of the Lutheran denomination, contains the following tribute to the memory of the late Richard O. Kohler, from the pen of Rev. Dr. Charles L. Fry.

Not only the Church of the Holy Trinity at Catasauqua, but also the Allentown conference, and the entire ministerium of Pennsylvania, mourns the unexpected death of Richard O. Kohler, who succumbed to a severe double operation in the German Hospital, Philadelphia. He was in the prime of vigorous manhood, since he had just passed the forty-first year of his age. Having been born, baptized, and confirmed in Chemnitz, Germany, he came to this country as a lad of eighteen, and from the very first he became a loyal and enthusiastic American. This love of democracy was intensified by a visit to his native Fatherland last summer. So, too, his church affiliations were very ardent and devoted. Since the death of Mr. Oliver Williams, whose daughter he married, Mr. Kohler had been the standing delegate of the congregation to the meetings of the conference and synod, and was elected by the ministerium as one of its representatives at the recent general council in Toledo.

As a man of deeply spiritual nature, he was a regular and devout attendant at all the services of the sanctuary, a warm personal friend of each of his pastors, a faithful teacher in the Sunday school, the president of the church council, and chairman of the committee on pulpit supplies. His sudden death therefore makes a large gap, which it will be hard indeed to fill.

How startling is such a vivid admonition of the truth of Holy Writ, inscribed on all the face of Nature in this November season of the year, 'We all do fade even as a leaf'! Or that other declaration, which is equally solemnizing, 'In the midst of life, we are in death'!

#### HENRY H. DENT.

Henry H. Dent, the president of the Dent Hardware Company, Fullertown, Pa., is a native of England. He was born in 1861, a son of Joseph and Sarah (Hewitt) Dent, who were also natives of England. In 1866 the parents of Mr. Dent emigrated to the United States with their family, locating in Newark, New Jersey, where the father was an architect and builder. To him and his wife were born thirteen children, seven of whom are still living, namely: Emma, Elizabeth, Sarah, Julia, Nellie, Henry H., and Edwin.

Henry H. Dent completed his education by graduation in the high school of Newark, New Jersey. When a young man he served various responsible clerical positions, acting as bookkeeper and in other capacities, and in 1889 he removed to Allentown where he again accepted a position as bookkeeper. In 1894 he became superintendent of the Allentown Hardware Company, and during the following year upon the incorporation of the Dent Hardware Company, he was chosen president, and has since served this office in a most acceptable manner, seeing the corporation grow to become one of the most successful industries of the Lehigh Valley and one whose hundreds of employees are contented and happy. Mr. Dent is an able executive and enjoys a reputation that is beyond reproach.

Henry H. Dent was married, in 1880, to Miss Jessie Roder, a native of New Jersey, and they have two children: Harry C. and Waletr R. Dent.

#### OLIVER P. FISHER.

Oliver P. Fisher, farmer, of Weisenberg, was born at Monterey, in Berks county, July 18, 1856; was reared upon a farm and educated in the local school and at Kutztown until he became twenty-one years of age. He then learned the trade of miller under Daniel Meyerly at Fetherolfsville and continued with him two years. Subsequently he followed his trade for a year and farmed for two years, when he learned the trade

of carpenter (because milling was too confining for him) and he followed it in Lynn township for twenty years. In 1892 he rented a farm of 102 acres in Weisenberg township where he now resides, and cultivated it on the shares for seven years; then he purchased the plantation and has since carried on farming there in a successful manner. He was a member of the New Jerusalem Church in Albany township, serving as deacon for two years, and when he located in Weisenberg he transferred his membership to the Weisenberg township.

In 1880 Mr. Fisher was married to E. Jeanette Snyder, daughter of David, of Lynn, and they have four children: Elmer W. (m. Ida Werley, graduated from K. S. N. S. in 1901, and taught public school since 1898 in Hanover, Catasauqua, Weisenberg and Lynn); Addie E. (graduated from the township school in 1905, married Nathaniel Werley); Lillie J. (m. E. G. Wiesner), and Ira W. (graduated from the township school in 1909, and taught public school in Lowhill one term).

Mr. Fisher's father was James W. Fisher, a farmer of Maxatawny township, near Monterey, who died in 1858, aged 48 years. He was married to Elizabeth Kline, daughter of Peter, of Klinesville, in Berks county. She died in 1873, aged 58 years. They had six children: Franklin (m. Sarah Lachman); Susan (m. Jonathan Schlenker); Mary (m. William Weiss); James (m. Mary Moyer); Oliver P., and Sarah A. (m. Edward Walters), and his grandfather was John Fisher, also a farmer, of Maxatawny township, married to Susan Wink, a sister of David Wink at Kutztown, and they had five children: Peter, Jacob (m. Maria Hinterleiter), William, James W., and Mary (m. William Reno).

Peter Kline, the grandfather of Mr. Fisher, was married to a Miss Altenderfer, of Klinesville, and they had seven children: William, Perry, Peter, Jr. (m. Christina Dietrich); Elizabeth; Ann (m. William Dietrich); Christiana (m. Manasses Dreibelbis); and Mary (m. William Sassaman).

#### GREENAWALT FAMILY.

The following is a list of the immigrant forbears of the Greenawalt family, with name of ship on which they sailed, and dates of immigration:

Name	Ship	Nationality	Date of Landing
Abraham Greenawalt,	Lydia	Palatinate	Sept. 27, 1740
Jacob	Lydia	"	Sept. 29, 1741
Hans	Ann Galley	"	Sept. 27, 1746
Johannes	Bilander Vernon	"	Aug. 1, 1747
Johan Philip	Phoenix	"	Sept. 15, 1749
Peter	Leslie	"	Oct. 7, 1749
Frederick	Edinburgh	"	Sept. 16, 1751
Hieronimus	Phoenix	"	Oct. 1, 1754
Michael	Chance	"	Sept. 23, 1766
Jacob	Minerva	"	Sept. 17, 1771
Nicholas	Tiger	"	Nov. 19, 1771

The following is a list of heads of families in the first census of the United States in 1790: John Greenawalt, Albany township, Berks county, Pennsylvania; Jacob Greenawalt, Greenwich township, Berks county; Peter Greenawalt, Robeson township, Berks county; George Greenawalt, Weisenberg township, Northampton, now Lehigh county; Abraham Greenawalt, Weisenberg township; John Greenawalt, Montgomery county; Henry Greenawalt, Montgomery county; Philip, John and Christian Greenawalt, of Lebanon town, Dauphin county; Abraham Greenawalt, Manor township, Lancaster county; Abraham Greenawalt, Manor township, Lancaster county; Henry Greenawalt, Franklin county; Nicholas Greenawalt Franklin county; John Greenawalt, Armstrong township, Westmoreland county.

Jacob Greenawalt, a Palatinate, born in Switzerland, emigrated to America, locating in Philadelphia and upon his arrival there he was sold as a "redemptioner" to a man named Shuler. About the time of his coming to America he was married to Maria Catharina Elizabeth Filhour a native of Germany, then of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania. In 1742 he and his wife located in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, where he took up a large tract of land by warrant from the province of Pennsylvania. Upon this land he erected a grist mill, oil mill and barn yard. Here he lived and prospered, and at this place his four sons and two daughters were born, namely: Jacob, Johannes, Abraham, George, Mrs. Grim, and Mrs. Barbara Weiss. Both daughters were married to members of old families, whose descendants at the present time are numerous in this section of the state. Jacob Greenawalt and his wife died on this farm, after a life full of usefulness, and their remains were interred in the graveyard of Ziegel church, they were members of the German Reformed congregation.

Jacob Greenawalt, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Filhour) Greenawalt, was born in 1751, died in 1839. In 1784 he purchased one hundred and forty-two acres of land in Greenwich township from J. Sutter, and there he spent the remainder of his life. On his farm he built a tannery which he likewise operated until 1836, when he sold it to his son Henry. Jacob Greenawalt married Maria Stambauch. Children: Jacob, Henry, Christian, Peter, Elizabeth, Susanna, Sabina, Barbara, Maria.

Johannes Greenawalt, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Filhour) Greenawalt, in 1784-85, located near what is now Greenawalt Station, in Albany township, Berks county, on the Schuylkill & Lehigh Railroad. He was an enterprising man, building an oil mill on the farm later owned by Isaac Hardinger, on Pine Creek, and later built



a grist mill on the same stream, this being a landmark in the community. The oil mill was operated by Johannes Greenawalt, while his son John operated the grist mill for many years. Johannes Greenawalt, who died at the age of eighty-three years; is buried at the New Bethel (Corner) church, Albany township, was the father of John, Abraham, Jacob, Peter.

Abraham Greenawalt, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Filhour) Greenawalt, in 1790, resided in Weisenberg township, probably on part of the homestead, and had sons: Jacob, Daniel, Abraham, Jr.

George Greenawalt, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Filhour) Greenawalt, was born Nov. 26, 1755, and resided, in 1790, in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, on land adjoining that of his brother Abraham. His inscription on his tombstone located on the graveyard at Wessnersville, in Berks county, near the line of Lehigh county, follows:

Hier Ruhen  
die gebeine des foerstorben  
Georg Grünewald; er ist  
gestorben den 26 April  
1810. Seine eltern wahre  
Jacob und Maricatarina  
grünewald. Seine tauf  
Zeigen Georg kleber und  
seine haus fra  
Margertraut Wesner, Sei  
Zeigten 6 kinder 2 Söhne  
und 4 tocher, er brachte  
Seine alter auf 54 Jahr  
und 5 monat.

Jacob Greenawalt, son of Abraham Greenawalt, had six children: Christian, Jacob, Abraham, Daniel, John, Sallie, married John Gehringer.

Abraham Greenawalt, son of Abraham Greenawalt, moved to Mercer county, Pennsylvania. Among his children was a son, Jonas, who resided at Easton.

Daniel Greenawalt, son of Abraham Greenawalt, was born in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, Sept. 24, 1803. He later moved to the Stony Run, Berks county. He was a highly esteemed citizen and a representative and worthy man. He died Feb. 19, 1884, at Wessnersville, Pa. He married, Jan. 9, 1832, Mary Brobst. Children: Aaron, of whom further; Julia, married Peter George; Mary, married Allen Acker, of New Smitheville; Sarah Anna, married Franklin Bachman, of Allentown. They have one son, Rev. Franklin N. Bachman, who is connected with the Pennsylvania State College.

Aaron Greenawalt, son of Daniel Greenawalt, was born Dec. 2, 1832, on the old homestead. He left for Minnesota at the age of twenty,

where he was a miller. He was the first man to enroll his name in response to the call for volunteers which went forth after the firing on Fort Sumpter. He was engaged in fourteen battles, and was shot and killed, July 3, 1863, at the battle of Gettysburg. He was survived by a widow and two sons.

Charles Greenawalt was born in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, in 1826, died 1898. He was a farmer and miller, and operated the Greenawalt Mill until the panic of 1873. He was actively identified with the mining of ore both in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. He served the Church as deacon and elder. He was a Democrat in politics. He married Carolina Hausman. Children: Frank, deceased; Edwin H., of Greenawalt Station; Daniel J., died out West; William A., of Falls City, Nebraska; Aaron M., of whom further.

AARON M. GREENAWALT, son of Charles Greenawalt, is a prominent citizen of South Whitehall township. He was born in Weisenberg township, Jan. 24, 1861. He was educated in the public schools, the summer normal school in Kistler Valley, and at Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio. In his sixteenth year he began teaching school in Lynn township, and he taught for twenty-eight consecutive terms in Lehigh county. From 1882 to the present time he has devoted his attention to farming at Greenawalt, and since 1911 he has given considerable time and attention to the real estate business. He is the owner of considerable valuable real estate, erecting his fine cement block residence in 1911. He is a Democrat in politics, and in 1887 was first elected to the office of justice of the peace, in which he has served to the present time. He is a member of Mickley's church, in which he holds the office of deacon. He is a member of Camp No. 378, Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Guthsville; Livingston Castle, No. 258, Knights of the Golden Eagle, and South Whitehall Beneficial Association. He married, Dec. 25, 1881, Sarah F. Werley, daughter of Penrose J. and Diana (Gehringer) Werley, of Weisenberg township. Children: Llewelyn, Perma, Charles, Jennie, Edwin, Margaret.

Jonas H. Greenawalt, son of Reuben Greenawalt, was born in Weisenberg township, Jan. 24, 1844, died on his homestead farm, April 25, 1905, buried at Lowhill church, of which he was a deacon for many years. He spent his entire life upon the homestead farm, which he cultivated and improved. He was a blacksmith by trade, also a cooper, and he sold agricultural implements and fertilizers. He married Amanda Bittner, who died in 1904, daughter of Andreas Bittner. Children: Sarah T., married James Smith; Ellen

J., married Elmer Laudenslager; Annie L., married John Ebert; Harvey R., of whom further; Lephenus, a resident of Slatington; Henry, a resident of Weisenberg township; Ida A. L., married Howard Wertman; Rosa, married Mr. Schadler.

HARVEY R. GREENAWALT, son of Jonas H., was born in Weisenberg township, Oct. 4, 1877. He was reared upon the farm and worked upon it until he was of age. He then came to Salisbury township as hired man, and in 1898 came to Allentown, and for twelve years was a lineman for the Lehigh, the Bell, the A. T. & T. Company, also for the Lehigh Valley Traction Company for the last five years. In 1909 he asked for a leave of absence from his company for six months and in that time he erected four frame houses on South Second street. He then returned to the company and continued to work for them until the spring of 1912, then took a leave of absence again and erected four excellent brick houses at the corner of Third and Lawrence streets, East Allentown. He owns valuable real estate in that ward, and is an enterprising citizen. He is a member of the Reformed Church, the Independent Americans, and the Order of Owls. He is a Democrat in politics.

Jacob Greenawalt was a farmer in Lynn township. He is buried on the cemetery at New Tripoli. He was married to Maria Snyder and they had the following children: Levi, Hannah, William, Daniel, Aaron, Lewis, Lovina, Sylvester, and Mary Ann.

Levi Greenawalt, son of Jacob, was a farmer in Lynn township and his homestead is now owned and occupied by his son, James M. He adhered to the Reformed faith, and is a member of the Ebenezer church at New Tripoli. He was married to Matilda Snyder. They had three children, namely: Alice, married to Jacob A. Rhoads; James M.; and Ellen, married to James M. Bennighoff.

William Greenawalt was born in Lynn township, Dec. 16, 1852. He was reared as an agriculturist in his native township, and this occupation he followed all his life. In 1880 he removed to his present farm at Germansville, consisting of eighty-six acres, which was formerly the Reuben Rauch homestead. He is a member of the Reformed Church, in which he served as elder, deacon and trustee, and at the present time is an elder of Ebenezer church at Tripoli. He is a Republican in politics, and has held various local offices. He married, June 4, 1876, Sarah Kistler, daughter of David and Rufena (Hunsicker) Kistler. They have one son, Edwin K.

EDWIN K. GREENAWALT, son of William Greenawalt, was born in Lynn township, July 5, 1877. He was reared upon the home farm, and

attended the public schools of Heidelberg township and the State Normal School at Kutztown, Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1901. He was licensed to teach in the public schools in 1896, and since that time has taught very successfully sixteen terms, missing 1901, the year in which he graduated. He taught his first two terms in Carbon county, and the remainder in Lehigh county. At the present time he is assisting his father in the management of the farm located near Germansville. He is a member of the Reformed church of New Tripoli, the lodge and encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the Patriotic Order Sons of America. He is a Republican in politics.

Mr. Greenawalt married, Jan. 10, 1905, Miss Minnie M. Krum, daughter of James and Julia (Rex) Krum. They are the parents of one daughter, Helen Sarah.

On Aug. 24, 1911, was held the sixth annual reunion of the descendants of Johann Greenawalt. It was the first to be held in Lehigh county, the reunions on previous occasions being held at the old Greenawalt homestead in Montgomery county, in which community the family is decidedly numerous. The program began with prayer by Rev. Simon Sipple, who later baptized the son of William J. Greenawalt. A report was then made by Mrs. Finley Brader, of Philadelphia, followed with a recitation by Miss Dorothy Greenawalt, and William J. Dietrich, a local genealogist and historian, gave a history of the family, the greater portion of which appears in this review. Prizes were awarded to the persons coming the greatest distance and to those with the largest families. The oldest person present was Mary Greenawalt, widow of Anthony Bernhard, aged seventy-seven, of Montgomery county, Pennsylvania.

#### NATHAN R. GRIFFITH.

Nathan R. Griffith, superintendent of the Keystone Textile Company, of South Bethlehem, is a son of John H. Griffith, who was born near Swansea, Wales, in 1834, and came to America, in 1859, landing in New York City. He located first, at Danville, Pa., and later, at Pottsville, Pa., from which place he removed to Catasauqua, and then to Fullerton, where he has resided for 35 years. By occupation he was a heater in the rolling mills and for a number of years he was employed by the Catasauqua Iron Co. In politics he is a Republican and is a member of the Knights of Friendship. He was married to Rachel Ann, daughter of Thomas and Rachel (Edmonds) Thomas. She died in February, 1905, aged 54 years, and is buried at Fair-



view cemetery, Catasauqua. To this family the following children were born: Mary, married to Foster McAdams, a roll-turner at the Bryden Horseshoe Works, in Catasauqua; Anna, married to Frederick Graver, and resides at Allentown; John, cashier of the Lehigh Coal Company, located in New York City; Philip, died, aged 18 years; William, wood-carver, with the Edison Phonograph Company, at Camden, N. J.; Samuel, silk-worker with the Keystone Textile Company, and Nathan R.

Nathan R. Griffith was born in Fullerton, Aug. 8, 1881, and at the age of thirteen years he started to work for the Allentown Spinning company as a spool boy. He was employed for one year in the polishing department of the Dent Hardware company at Fullerton, by the Wahnetah Plush Company at Catasauqua, in the weaving department, three years, and in the weaving department of the D. G. Dery silk mills, at Catasauqua, from 1908 to 1913. In October, 1913, he connected himself with the Keystone Textile Company as a weaver and loom-fixer, and on Jan. 1, 1914 he was promoted to the position of superintendent. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and a member of the Knights of Friendship in which he is a past master. On March 15, 1908, he married Mamie Searfess, daughter of William and Mary (Snyder) Searfoss. They reside in their own home at the corner of Front and Franklin streets, Fullerton, Pa.

#### THOMAS F. GROSS.

Thomas F. Gross, a prominent attorney at Philadelphia for nearly thirty years, was born at Schnecksville, this county, April 10, 1857, son of Joel and Diana (Fetherolf) Gross. After receiving a preliminary education in the local schools he entered Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, Pa., and there prepared for college and after following the prescribed course in that institution, he was admitted into Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Pa., where he completed his education for the study of the law and was graduated in June, 1878. With this preparation, Mr. Gross entered the law offices of R. E. Wright & Son, at Allentown, and after pursuing the prescribed course of reading for two years under their direction he was regularly admitted to practice in the several courts of Lehigh county, on January, 1881. He immediately engaged in active legal practice at Allentown and carried it on until October, 1887, when he removed to Philadelphia to engage more extensively in the professional business and on the 15th of October he was admitted to practice in the several courts of Philadelphia county. Since

then he has carried on an active and successful practice in the great metropolis of the state.

In 1880, Mr. Gross identified himself with Lehigh Lodge, No. 83, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he became a Past Grand; and since May, 1902, he has been a Past Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania. In 1893, he was made a Mason in Athelstan Lodge, No. 482, F. & A. M., of Philadelphia, and of this lodge he became a Past Master; and since 1897, he has been a member of the Philadelphia Consistory.

In 1898, he was married to Adelaide J. Keck, a daughter of Charles Keck, of Lehigh county.

#### JOHN W. GOTTSCHALK.

John Wagner Gottschalk, manufacturer and prominent Sunday school worker at Philadelphia, Pa., for many years, was born at Reading, Pa., on May 9, 1867. When two months old his mother died and he was then taken to her parents, who resided at Macungie, in Lehigh county, and there he was brought up and educated in the public schools. After quitting school, he worked at various places in the vicinity, at times walking daily several miles to and from work, until he became eighteen years of age, such as farming, quarrying stone, mining iron ore and running a stationary engine.

With the education and experience thus acquired until that time, Mr. Gottschalk went to Philadelphia to take up the study of electric wire insulation and he pursued this branch with great industry for some time, devoting his evenings to the extra study of mechanical engineering. With this preparation he secured employment in the establishment of Albert F. Moore, who was engaged in that particular line of business, and after working there for a comparatively short time, Mr. Moore recognized his ability and appointed him as foreman of the shop, and by 1900 he became the superintendent. During this time the employes increased in number from 35 to 400, evidencing the fitness of Mr. Gottschalk for the position. He continued with Mr. Moore as superintendent until 1911, when he embarked in the same line of business for himself, establishing his plant at the northwest corner of Lehigh avenue and Mascher street, and there he has continued until the present time, carrying on the works with increasing success, in the production of insulated electric wire, telephone cord and tinsel cord of different varieties in large quantities.

While superintending the plant of Mr. Moore, Mr. Gottschalk took great pride in organizing "The Albert F. Moore Employees Mutual Association" for beneficial relief, as well as social

entertainment and religious instruction of a non-sectarian character; dinners were supplied to the employees at a reduced rate; interesting lectures were delivered before them; and on Saturday afternoons, Sunday school lessons for the following Sunday were explained and illustrated. It was a very useful institution and highly appreciated.

Mr. Gottschalk has been actively engaged in Sunday school work in the Bethany tabernacle at 20th and Dauphin streets for twenty years; and since 1902 he has officiated as superintendent in a most satisfactory manner. For fifteen years he has been prominently identified with the Philadelphia County Sunday School Association, travelling about in behalf of its work and giving instructive chalk talks and object lessons to young people.

In 1904, the Gottschalk Family Reunion was organized and since then he has served the organization as president. Its annual meetings have been held at different places with a large attendance.

Mr. Gottschalk was married to Annie Swartz, of Zieglersville, in Montgomery county, a daughter of John Swartz and Elizabeth, his wife, *nee* Deitz, of the same place.

His father was Jacob Souder Gottschalk, born Oct. 4, 1844, at Souderton, Pa., where he was brought up and educated. He learned the trade of shoemaking and when he became of age located at Reading, where he carried on the retail shoe business for a number of years. He was also employed for a time as a locomotive engineer on East Penn Railroad. He was married to Elizabeth Wagner, daughter of John Wagner, of East Macungie, Lehigh county, and they had two children: Elmira, married to Charles H. Eberle; and John W. She died July 21, 1867, and her remains were interred at Huff's church, several miles south from Macungie. After her decease, the father married Amelia Roth, of Kutztown, and by her he had four children: Virginia May, married to Ammon Specht; and three died in infancy. He died Oct. 7, 1902.

Mr. Gottschalk's grandfather was John Hunsberger Gottschalk, born Aug. 24, 1820, near Souderton, where he was brought up as a farmer and there he died April 14, 1871. He was married to Kate Souder, of the same place, a descendant of the family from which the town takes its name, and they had twelve children, eight sons and four daughters.

His great-grandfather was William, who married Magdalena Hunsberger, and they became the parents of thirteen children, brought up along the Perkiomen creek, in the vicinity of Schwenksville, Montgomery county.

Mr. Gottschalk is a lineal descendant in the

sixth generation from Rev. Jacob Gottschalk, a distinguished Mennonite preacher, who emigrated in 1702 from the Netherlands to Pennsylvania, joining his fellow-countryman, Pastorius, at Germantown, and thence he removed to the Skippack region, where he died in 1763, at an age exceeding four score years.

#### MILTON A. HERBER.

Milton A. Herber, proprietor of the Seipstown hotel, is the owner of the premises, including a general store, large barn with sundry buildings, and 66 acres of farming land in a high state of cultivation. He was born Nov. 7, 1887, in Weisenberg township on a farm situated a short distance north of Hynemansville, and there he was brought up and educated until he became eighteen years of age. The building is now one of the oldest in the township, having been erected long before 1812. When fifteen years old he was graduated from the township high school. He followed teaching during the season for three terms in the Gackenbach, Seipstown, and Appel school buildings from 1905 to 1908, and during the other months of the year carried on painting. He then engaged in the hotel business at Seiberlingsville in the old-established stand of his father-in-law, David Fichter, for two years. With this experience he, in 1910, purchased the hotel stand store and farm of 66 acres at Seipstown, and embarked in the business for himself, and since that time has carried on the hotel and farm in a successful manner. In 1911 he improved the barn and farm buildings, and in 1913 enlarged the hotel, at a total expense of \$3,000, thereby making it one of the most attractive public places in the country districts of Lehigh county. Since 1909 he has filled the position of township assessor.

In June, 1906, he was married to Maggie L. Fichter, a daughter of David Fichter, and they have two children: Lawrence A., and Helen L.

Amos Herber, his father, engaged as stonemason and plasterer for nearly forty years, was born March 8, 1848, in Albany township, Berks county, near the Blue mountains, and when five years old his parents moved to Upper Macungie township, two miles northwest from Breinigsville, where he attended the public school until he was sixteen years of age and was brought up on a farm. He assisted his father and the neighbors at farm work until he was twenty-five years old, when he learned the trade of mason and plasterer under Louis Adam, and he has been engaged in this business until now, a period of thirty-nine years in the central section of the county and also at Allentown, Slatington, and Mauch Chunk. He has lived in Weisenberg since



1886, and served the office of school director for six years. In 1869 he was married to Sarah A. Fritz, daughter of Charles, of Weisenberg, and they have five children: Charles, married Sophia Heintzleman; Ida, married Frank Sicher; Emma, married George B. Grim; George, married Mary Yundt; and Milton, above.

The grandfather of Mr. Herber was Peter Herber, a blacksmith and farmer of Weisenberg, married to Hannah Schellhamer, daughter of George, of Weisenberg, and they had fifteen children: George, married Hannah Boyer; Edwin, married Caroline Haas; Peter, married Amanda Ross; Silas, married Matilda Kline; William, Reformed minister in Lebanon county; Samuel, married Eliza Edelman; Katie, married Frederick Wilt; Mary, single; Hannah, married William Andreas; Sarah, married Nathan Hinkel; and four died young.

GEORGE E. HOLTON.

George E. Holton was born in London, England, April 24, 1868, son of George and Hope Mary Holton, and died Feb. 10, 1913. He was educated in the schools of Norwood and London, England. He came to America in 1886 and was naturalized in the early 90's.

Mr. Holton entered the employ of the Pen-coyd Iron Works. In 1889 he became inspector

for G. W. G. Ferris & Co., of Pittsburgh, in the eastern territory, and had charge of the inspection and testing of the cast iron segments used in the construction of the first tunnel under the Hudson river, now known as the Hoboken Tunnel, originally undertaken by Pearson & Co., of London, England. His abilities as an iron expert were easily recognized by the late Oliver Williams, president of the Bryden Horse Shoe Company, who employed him as a salesman for the company. Mr. Holton established sales agencies in all parts of the country and secured large orders for them. During stagnation in the American market, he secured large orders from England in competition with English manufacturers during the English-Boer War in Africa, and thus kept the local works steadily employed.

Upon the death of Mr. Williams, he succeeded him as president of that company and general manager of the works. At the time of his death, he was president and treasurer of the Bryden, president treasurer of Emanuel & Co., a director of the National Bank of Catasauqua and a director of the Cementon National Bank of Siegfried.

Mr. Holton was married to Miss Jessica Williams, youngest daughter of Oliver Williams. They have a son, Oliver, and two daughters, Catharine, Jessica.





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